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RESOLUTION No. 1185 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 502nd meeting on 23 November 2009)

**REPRESENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN YOUTH FORUM (YFJ)
AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of the European Youth Forum (YFJ) for representation by an observer,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 8 of the Constitution,

Resolves to invite the European Youth Forum (YFJ) to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1186 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 509th meeting on 26 November 2009)

STRUCTURE REVIEW

The Council,

Recognizing the need for IOM to ensure that its organizational structures are such that they provide the most effective and efficient service to its Member States and migrants,

Recognizing further that the ability of IOM to realize its objectives and maintain its place as the global intergovernmental organization in the field of migration requires adjustments to its organizational structure,

Conscious of the need to ensure that any structural changes reinforce the fundamental institutional qualities which have contributed over the years to IOM's strength and reputation,

Taking into account the need to preserve the fundamental institutional qualities that have contributed, over the years, to IOM's strength and reputation: its closeness to its Member States, its practical problem solving orientation, its responsiveness to need, its adaptability and creativity of thought, its speed of intervention, and its broad range of partnerships,

Having received and examined document MC/2287 of 12 November 2009, submitted by the Director General, on "Review of the Organizational Structure of the International Organization for Migration",

Having taken into account the exchange of views during informal consultations as well as the comments and recommendations of the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance (MC/2283),

Resolves:

1. To thank the Director General for his report;
2. To endorse the organizational structure as contained in document MC/2287 which seeks to enhance the coherence of the structure at Headquarters and to consolidate the core structure and resources in the Field, through Regional Offices, Special Liaison Offices and strategically located coordination functions to address migration-related specificities in agreement with concerned Member States;

3. To invite the Director General to proceed with these structural adjustments, within the limits of available resources, taking into account the views expressed by Member States and the need to address the specificities, interests and priorities in the field of migration of each region, in consultation with Member States; additional needs for the implementation of the new structure, where appropriate and considered critical, should be presented to Member States for approval.

4. To encourage the Director General to pursue his efforts, in consultation with Member States, to continue improving the management of the Organization so as to ensure optimal use of human and financial resources towards the effectiveness and efficiency of the Organization's activities;

5. To invite the Director General to share with Member States an executive summary of a detailed and phased implementation plan elaborating both financial and human resource aspects of the changes and to inform the governing bodies regularly of progress made in the implementation of the structure review and its effectiveness, with a view to making adjustments as necessary.

RESOLUTION No. 1187 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 506th meeting on 25 November 2009)

PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2010

The Council,

Having received and examined the Programme and Budget for 2010 (MC/2281 and MC/2281/Amdt.1),

Having taken into account the comments and recommendations of the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance (MC/2283),

Conscious of the real budgetary needs relating to the fixed core structure of the Organization, while recognizing the funding constraints of Member States as a result of the current global economic crisis,

Acknowledging that there is a need for a budget reform in IOM and that Member States should engage in a dialogue in consultation with the Administration with a view to finding solutions to address, inter alia, the coverage of the core structure,

Resolves:

1. To approve the Programme for 2010;
2. To adopt the Budget for 2010, as amended, in the amounts of 39,388,000 Swiss francs for the Administrative Part and 650,601,600 United States dollars for the Operational Part of the Budget;
3. Notwithstanding the provisions of operative paragraph 2, to authorize the Director General, within the limits of available income, to incur obligations and make expenditures arising from any increase in activities in the Operational Part of the Budget;
4. To request the Director General to report to the Executive Committee at its next session in 2010 any necessary revision of the estimates contained in the Budget for 2010 taking into account any additional measures that may be necessary in order to achieve a balanced budget by the end of 2010;
5. To authorize the Executive Committee, at its spring session in 2010, to adopt a scale of assessment for the year 2011, on the basis of an IOM assessment scale fully equated to that of the United Nations, as set forth in document SCPF/4 and updated with the addition of new Member States;

6. To reaffirm the principle of universal participation in the financing of the operational programmes and to appeal to Member States and other interested States to increase their overall contributions and provide the funds required to enable the Director General to carry out in full all the operational programmes for 2010;

7. To request the Director General, in consultation with the Chairperson of the Council, to resume consultations with Member States on the budget reform with a view to finding solutions to address funding of the core structure, to provide documentation to facilitate this discussion, and to report on these consultations at the next session of IOM's governing bodies.

RESOLUTION No. 1188 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 509th meeting on 26 November 2009)

APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS

The Council,

Having received and examined documents MC/2282, MC/2282/Add.1 and MC/2282/Add.2 submitted by the Director General, on the Appointment of External Auditors,

Having taken into account the comments and recommendations of the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance (MC/2283),

Resolves that the Comptroller and Auditor General of India be hereby appointed External Auditors to the Organization for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012.

RESOLUTION No. 1189 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 508th meeting on 26 November 2009)

**REPORTS ON THE NINETY-SIXTH SESSION AND
THE NINETY-SEVENTH (SPECIAL) SESSION OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received and reviewed the draft reports on the Ninety-sixth Session (MC/2266) and the Ninety-seventh (Special) Session (MC/2274) of the Council,

Resolves to approve the reports.

RESOLUTION No. 1190 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 508th meeting on 26 November 2009)

**REPORT ON THE HUNDRED AND SIXTH SESSION
OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Council,

Recalling that pursuant to Resolution No. 1178 (XCVI) of 5 December 2008 the Executive Committee was authorized to take, at its session in June 2009, such action as might be deemed necessary as provided for in Article 12 (c) and (e) of the Constitution,

Having received and reviewed the report on the Hundred and sixth Session of the Executive Committee (MC/2279),

Resolves to take note, with appreciation, of the report of the Executive Committee (MC/2279).

RESOLUTION No. 1191 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 509th meeting on 26 November 2009)

ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Council,

Acting pursuant to Article 13, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the Constitution,

Recalling its Resolution No. 1161 (XCIV) of 30 November 2007,

Resolves that the Executive Committee shall, from the date of the present resolution until the regular session of the Council in 2011, be composed of representatives of the following thirty-three Member States:

Angola	Netherlands
Bangladesh	Nicaragua
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Panama
Congo	Philippines
Costa Rica	Republic of Korea
Ecuador	Senegal
Egypt	South Africa
France	Sri Lanka
Germany	Sudan
Ghana	Sweden
Greece	Thailand
Guatemala	Tunisia
Hungary	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Italy	United Republic of Tanzania
Japan	United States of America
Kenya	
Mexico	
Nepal	

RESOLUTION No. 1192 (XCVIII)

(Adopted by the Council at its 509th meeting on 26 November 2009)

CONVENING OF THE NEXT REGULAR SESSION

The Council,

Bearing in mind Articles 6, 9 and 12 of the Constitution,

Resolves to hold its next regular session in November 2010 in Geneva, at the call of the Director General;

Requests the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance to meet in May and November 2010 for the proper discharge of its functions;

Invites the Executive Committee to meet during the month of June 2010 for the purpose of taking, on behalf of the Council, such action as may be deemed necessary as provided for in Article 12 (c) and (e) of the Constitution, in particular in connection with the Financial Report for 2009, the Report of the Director General on the work of the Organization for 2009, a revision of the Budget for 2010, the scale of assessment for 2011, the revision of the Staff Regulations as well as related matters.