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1. In a letter dated 30 March 2001, the Democratic Republic of the Congo applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the foregoing letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 3 April 2001, are annexed.
2. In accordance with Article 2 (b) of the Constitution, the Council is required to make a decision regarding the application of the Democratic Republic of the Congo for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 0.050 per cent of the total contributions required from Member States to the Administrative Part of the Budget.
3. An appropriate draft resolution will be submitted for consideration by the Council.

Annex I

LETTER DATED 30 MARCH 2001 FROM THE  
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION  
OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO  
ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the relationship existing between the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

My Government wishes to establish a closer relationship with your Organization and hereby applies for membership in the International Organization for Migration in accordance with Article 2 (b) of its Constitution.

The Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo accepts the Constitution in accordance with its constitutional processes and the obligations resulting from membership. It also undertakes to make a financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, the rate of which will be agreed upon by the IOM Council and the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

LETTER DATED 3 APRIL 2001 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL  
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE  
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION  
OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 30 March 2001, ref. No. 132.51/MPRDC/A1/400/2001, in which you inform me that the Democratic Republic of the Congo wishes to become a Member of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), in accordance with Article 2, paragraph (b), of the Constitution.

I note that your Government accepts the IOM Constitution in accordance with its constitutional processes and the obligations resulting from membership, and that it thus undertakes to make a financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, the rate of which will be agreed upon by the IOM Council and your Government.

I am confident that your Government's action will be received with satisfaction by the Member States of IOM and I should like to express our appreciation of this further strengthening of the already close and cordial relationship between the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and IOM.

I am pleased to confirm that the necessary steps will be taken to place your Government's application for membership on the agenda of the forthcoming session of the IOM Council which will be held in Geneva on 7 June 2001 at 3 p.m. in Room XVIII of the Palais des Nations.

A document formally presenting your Government's application for membership will be distributed to all Member States and observers. You will receive a copy of it, together with further details concerning the Council session and the procedure for consideration of your country's application.

[Complimentary ending]