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RESOLUTION No. 1152 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 482nd meeting on 27 November 2007)

**ADMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI
AS A MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The Council,

Having received the request of the Republic of Burundi for admission as a Member of the Organization (MC/2228),

Having been informed that the Republic of Burundi accepts the Constitution of the Organization in accordance with its internal constitutional processes and has undertaken to make a financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization,

Considering that the Republic of Burundi has demonstrated its interest in the principle of the free movement of persons as stated in Article 2 (b) of the Constitution,

Convinced that the Republic of Burundi could give valuable assistance towards furthering the purposes of the Organization,

Resolves:

1. That the Republic of Burundi be admitted as a Member of the International Organization for Migration, in accordance with the provisions of Article 2 (b) of the Constitution, as from the date of the present resolution;
2. That its contribution to the Administrative Part of the Budget be determined at 0.026 per cent thereof.

RESOLUTION No. 1153 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 482nd meeting on 27 November 2007)

**ADMISSION OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
AS A MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The Council,

Having received the request of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam for admission as a Member of the Organization (MC/2235),

Having been informed that the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam accepts the Constitution of the Organization in accordance with its internal constitutional processes and has undertaken to make a financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization,

Considering that the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam has demonstrated its interest in the principle of the free movement of persons as stated in Article 2 (b) of the Constitution,

Convinced that the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam could give valuable assistance towards furthering the purposes of the Organization,

Resolves:

1. That the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam be admitted as a Member of the International Organization for Migration, in accordance with the provisions of Article 2 (b) of the Constitution, as from the date of the present resolution;
2. That its contribution to the Administrative Part of the Budget be determined at 0.026 per cent thereof.

RESOLUTION No. 1154 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 482nd meeting on 27 November 2007)

**REPRESENTATION OF AFRICA RECRUIT
AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of Africa Recruit for representation by an observer,

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

Resolves to invite Africa Recruit to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1155 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 482nd meeting on 27 November 2007)

**REPRESENTATION OF THE REFUGEE EDUCATION TRUST
AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of the Refugee Education Trust for representation by an observer,

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

Resolves to invite the Refugee Education Trust to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1156 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 482nd meeting on 27 November 2007)

**REPRESENTATION OF *FEMMES AFRICA SOLIDARITÉ*
AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of *Femmes Africa Solidarité* for representation by an observer,

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

Resolves to invite *Femmes Africa Solidarité* to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1157 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 488th meeting on 30 November 2007)

**REPORTS ON THE NINETY-SECOND SESSION AND
THE NINETY-THIRD (SPECIAL) SESSION OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received and reviewed the draft reports on the Ninety-second Session (MC/2210) and the Ninety-third (Special) Session (MC/2220) of the Council,

Resolves to approve the reports.

RESOLUTION No. 1158 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 488th meeting on 30 November 2007)

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

The Council,

Recalling that pursuant to Resolution No. 1145 (XCII) of 1 December 2006 the Executive Committee was authorized to take, at its session in June 2007, 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 fourth Session of the Executive Committee (MC/2225),

Resolves to take note, with appreciation, of the report of the Executive Committee (MC/2225).

RESOLUTION No. 1159 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 488th meeting on 30 November 2007)

PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2008

The Council,

Having received and examined the Programme and Budget for 2008 (MC/2227),

Having taken into account the comments and recommendations of the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance (MC/2233),

Resolves:

1. To approve the Programme for 2008;
2. To adopt the Budget for 2008, in the amounts of 38,045,000 Swiss francs for the Administrative part and 529,068,700 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 2008 any necessary revision of the estimates contained in the Budget for 2008 taking into account any additional measures that may be necessary in order to achieve a balanced budget by the end of 2008;
5. To authorize the Executive Committee, at its spring session in 2008, to adopt a scale of assessment for the year 2009, 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 2008.

RESOLUTION No. 1160 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 488th meeting on 30 November 2007)

**RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMMES AND FINANCE**

The Council,

Recalling its Resolution No. 1151 (XCIII) of 7 June 2007 establishing the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance,

Recalling further operative paragraph 5 of the said Resolution stating that the Standing Committee shall establish its Rules of Procedure, which shall be subject to approval by the Council,

Having received and examined document MC/2232, submitted by the Director General, on “Rules of Procedure for the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance”,

Having taken into account the comments and recommendations of the Standing Committee (MC/2233),

Resolves to adopt the Rules of Procedure for the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance, as indicated in the Annex to the present Resolution.

Annex

**RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMMES AND FINANCE**

I. SESSIONS

Rule 1

1. The Standing Committee shall meet normally twice a year, and otherwise as may be required, for the proper discharge of its functions, at the request of:
 - (a) the Council;
 - (b) one third of its members;
 - (c) its Chairperson;
 - (d) the Director General, after consultation with the Chairperson.
2. Membership in the Standing Committee is open to all Member States of the Organization.

Rule 2

The meetings of the Standing Committee shall be held in Geneva.

Rule 3

The meetings of the Standing Committee shall be held in private.

Rule 4

The Administration shall notify the members of the date of the first meeting of each session. Such notification shall be sent at least two weeks prior to the opening date of the session, unless the members agree to a shorter period.

II. AGENDA

Rule 5

1. The provisional agenda for each session shall be prepared by the Administration, after consultation with the Chairperson and the members of the Standing Committee, and shall include the items proposed by:

- (a) the Council;
- (b) the Standing Committee, at a previous session;
- (c) any member of the Standing Committee;
- (d) the Director General.

2. The provisional agenda and the main documents for the session shall be communicated by the Administration to all members at least two weeks prior to the opening of the session, without prejudice to the provisions of Rule 4.

Rule 6

1. At the beginning of each session, the Standing Committee shall adopt its agenda for the session.
2. The Standing Committee may revise the agenda while in session.

III. CREDENTIALS

Rule 7

A communication from a Member State to the Administration announcing the names of its representatives shall be deemed sufficient credentials.

IV. EXPERTS

Rule 8

The Standing Committee may, as deemed useful for its work, invite experts to attend its meetings.

V. OFFICERS

Rule 9

The Bureau of the Council shall act as the Bureau of the Standing Committee.

Rule 10

The Vice-Chairperson, when acting as Chairperson, shall have the same duties and powers as the Chairperson.

VI. SUB-COMMITTEES

Rule 11

The Standing Committee may set up such sub-committees and working groups as may be required for the discharge of its functions.

VII. SECRETARIAT

Rule 12

1. The Director General shall be present, or be represented by the Deputy Director General or another designated official, at all sessions of the Standing Committee. The Director General or the representative of the Director General may participate in the discussions but shall have no vote.

2. The Director General shall provide and direct the Secretariat as required by the Standing Committee.

VIII. LANGUAGES AND DOCUMENTATION

Rule 13

The Standing Committee shall use the official languages of the Organization.

Rule 14

1. Speeches made in any of the official languages shall be interpreted into the other official languages by the interpreters provided by the Secretariat.

2. Any representative may address the Standing Committee in a language other than the official languages, but must provide for translation or interpretation into one of the official languages. Interpretation into the other official languages by the interpreters provided by the Secretariat may be based on the translation or interpretation given in the first official language.

Rule 15

1. All documents of the Standing Committee shall be made available in the official languages.

2. The report on each session shall be distributed to all Member States as soon as possible. Summary records shall not be prepared.

IX. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

Rule 16

A majority of the members of the Standing Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Rule 17

In addition to exercising the duties and powers conferred upon him/her elsewhere by these Rules, the Chairperson shall declare the opening and closing of each meeting of the Standing Committee, shall direct the discussion, maintain order, ensure the observance of these Rules, accord and withdraw the right to speak, put questions to the vote and announce decisions.

X. VOTING

Rule 18

1. Each member of the Standing Committee shall have one vote.

2. Decisions shall be taken preferably by consensus.

Rule 19

In case of a vote, the relevant provisions of the Constitution (Article 29) and of the Rules of Procedure for the Council (Rules 37 to 46) shall apply.

Rule 20

Unless the recommendations of the Standing Committee reflect the unanimous opinion of the members present, the divergent opinions shall be reported to the Council.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Rule 21

In regard to any matter not covered by these present Rules, the Standing Committee shall apply the pertinent provisions of the Rules of Procedure for the Council.

Rule 22

1. Any of these Rules may be temporarily suspended by the Standing Committee provided that such suspension is consistent with the terms of reference of the Standing Committee, the Rules of Procedure for the Council and the Constitution of the Organization.
2. The Standing Committee shall report any such suspension to the Council.

Rule 23

Any of these Rules may be amended by the Standing Committee, subject to the approval of the Council, and provided that the proposed amendments are consistent with the terms of reference of the Standing Committee and the Constitution of the Organization.

Rule 24

Until such time as the 1998 amendments to the IOM Constitution shall have entered into force, the Standing Committee shall also report to the Executive Committee.

RESOLUTION No. 1161 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 488th meeting on 30 November 2007)

ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Council,

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

Recalling its Resolution No. 1131 (XC) of 2 December 2005,

Resolves that the Executive Committee shall, from the date of the present resolution until the regular session of the Council in 2009, be composed of representatives of the following thirty-five Member States:

Algeria	Morocco
Angola	Nepal
Bangladesh	Netherlands
Belarus	Nigeria
Costa Rica	Panama
Croatia	Philippines
Ecuador	Republic of Korea
Egypt	Senegal
El Salvador	South Africa
Germany	Spain
Ghana	Sri Lanka
Greece	Sweden
Guatemala	Tunisia
Hungary	Thailand
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Ukraine
Italy	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Japan	United States of America
Mexico	

RESOLUTION No. 1162 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 488th meeting on 30 November 2007)

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 December 2008 in Geneva, at the call of the Director General;

Requests the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance to meet in May and October 2008 for the proper discharge of its functions;

Invites the Executive Committee to meet during the month of June 2008 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 2007, the Report of the Director General on the work of the Organization for 2007, a revision of the Budget for 2008, the scale of assessment for 2009, as well as related matters.

RESOLUTION No. 1163 (XCIV)

(Adopted by the Council at its 488th meeting on 30 November 2007)

CONVENING OF A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COUNCIL

The Council,

Taking into consideration the provisions of Article 18 of the Constitution,

Considering that, in accordance with Resolution No. 1083 (LXXXV) of 13 June 2003, the term of office of the present Director General began on 1 October 2003 for a period of five years,

Resolves to call Member States in a special session of the Council in June 2008, in order to proceed with the election of a Director General.