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1. In a letter dated 2 November 2010, the Republic of Botswana applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 11 November 2010, 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 Republic of Botswana for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 0.0195 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 to the Council for consideration.

Annex I

**LETTER DATED 2 NOVEMBER 2010 FROM THE  
MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA 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 Republic of Botswana 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, paragraph (b) of the IOM Constitution.

The Government of the Republic of Botswana accepts the Constitution, and the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, 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 Republic of Botswana.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

**LETTER DATED 11 NOVEMBER 2010 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL  
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE  
MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA**

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt on 9 November 2010 of your letter of 2 November 2010, ref. HA 9/1/6 III (49), in which you inform me that the Government of the Republic of Botswana 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 Constitution of IOM, and the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, in accordance with its constitutional processes, as well as the obligations resulting from membership, and that it 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 application will be received with satisfaction by the Member States of IOM and would like to express my deep gratification at this further strengthening of the already close and cordial relationship between the Republic of Botswana and IOM.

I take pleasure in informing you that the Ninety-ninth Session of the Council, at which your Government's application will be submitted to the Member States of IOM for approval, will be held in Geneva, from 29 November to 2 December 2010.

A document formally presenting your Government's application for membership will be distributed to all Member States. 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]