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RESOLUTION No. 1169 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 490th meeting on 2 December 2008)

**REPRESENTATION OF THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA
AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for representation by an observer,

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

Resolves to invite the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1170 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 490th meeting on 2 December 2008)

**REPRESENTATION OF THE STATE OF QATAR
AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of the State of Qatar for representation by an observer,

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

Resolves to invite the State of Qatar to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1171 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 490th meeting on 2 December 2008)

**REPRESENTATION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY
ON DEVELOPMENT (IGAD) AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) for representation by an observer,

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

Resolves to invite the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1172 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 490th meeting on 2 December 2008)

**REPRESENTATION OF DECEMBER 18
AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received the request of December 18 for representation by an observer,

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

Resolves to invite December 18 to designate observers to its meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 1173 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 496th meeting on 5 December 2008)

DEPARTURE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

The Council,

Recalling its Resolution No. 1083 (LXXXV) of 13 June 2003 whereby it re-elected Mr. Brunson McKinley as Director General of the Organization for a second term of five years as from 1 October 2003,

Having taken note that the term of office of Mr. Brunson McKinley came to an end on 30 September 2008,

Notes with appreciation that the substantial growth in the Organization's membership, projects and activities during the tenure of Mr. McKinley as Director General has permitted a more comprehensive approach to migration issues marked by his strategic vision and skills; and

Expresses its sincere gratitude to Mr. McKinley for his dedication to the cause of migrants, refugees and displaced persons and for his accomplishment in making the Organization more effective in meeting the challenges of migration.

RESOLUTION No. 1174 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 497th meeting on 5 December 2008)

**REPORTS ON THE NINETY-FOURTH SESSION AND
THE NINETY-FIFTH (SPECIAL) SESSION OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council,

Having received and reviewed the draft reports on the Ninety-fourth Session (MC/2239 and MC/2239/Corr.1) and the Ninety-fifth (Special) Session (MC/2251) of the Council,

Resolves to approve the reports.

RESOLUTION No. 1175 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 497th meeting on 5 December 2008)

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

The Council,

Recalling that pursuant to Resolution No. 1162 (XCIV) of 30 November 2007 the Executive Committee was authorized to take, at its session in June 2008, 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 fifth Session of the Executive Committee (MC/2256),

Resolves to take note, with appreciation, of the report of the Executive Committee (MC/2256).

RESOLUTION No. 1176 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 497th meeting on 5 December 2008)

PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2009

The Council,

Having received and examined the Programme and Budget for 2009 (MC/2258 and MC/2258/Amdt.1),

Having taken into account the comments and recommendations of the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance (MC/2262),

Resolves:

1. To approve the Programme for 2009;
2. To adopt the Budget for 2009, as amended, in the amounts of 38,806,000 Swiss francs for the Administrative part and 631,483,500 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 2009 any necessary revision of the estimates contained in the Budget for 2009 taking into account any additional measures that may be necessary in order to achieve a balanced budget by the end of 2009;
5. To authorize the Executive Committee, at its spring session in 2009, to adopt a scale of assessment for the year 2010, 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 2009.

RESOLUTION No. 1177 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 497th meeting on 5 December 2008)

AMENDING THE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The Council,

Acting pursuant to Article 26 of the Constitution,

Recalling Resolution No. 68 (LXXV) of 23 May 1989 by which the Executive Committee adopted the revised Financial Regulations,

Mindful of the need to update the Financial Regulations with a view to clarifying the sources and application of Discretionary Income as well as incorporating the accounting standards used by the Organization for the preparation of its financial statements,

Having received and examined document MC/2261, submitted by the Director General, concerning proposals to amend the Financial Regulations,

Having taken into account the comments and recommendations of the Standing Committee on Budget and Finance (MC/2262),

Resolves to adopt the amended Financial Regulations, to read as indicated in Annex I to document MC/2261.

RESOLUTION No. 1178 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 497th meeting on 5 December 2008)

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 2009 in Geneva, at the call of the Director General;

Requests the Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance to meet in May and October 2009 for the proper discharge of its functions;

Invites the Executive Committee to meet during the month of June 2009 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 2008, the Report of the Director General on the work of the Organization for 2008, a revision of the Budget for 2009, the scale of assessment for 2010, the revision of the Staff Regulations as well as related matters.

RESOLUTION No. 1179 (XCVI)

(Adopted by the Council at its 497th meeting on 5 December 2008)

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. 1101 (LXXXVII) of 4 June 2004, the term of office of the present Deputy Director General began on 1 September 2004 for a period of five years,

Resolves to call Member States in a special session of the Council in June 2009, in order to proceed with the election of a Deputy Director General.