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His Excellency
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Your Excellency,

This correspondence follows up on your organisation's favourable response to the Government of Guyana's request for foreign observers at its upcoming General and Regional Election 2006.

The Administration is convinced that the presence of a small team of long-term observers who can monitor all aspects of elections' preparation including Registration and the completion of the Voters' List and vouch for their acceptability would make an important contribution to Guyana holding a free, fair elections according to international standards.

The Government of Guyana would like to formally request the O.A.S. to send such a long-term Election Observer Mission.

This long-term Election Observer Mission would be in addition to poll watchers who would traditionally arrive close to polling day.

The Government of Guyana would urge the O.A.S., if the request is favourably considered, to have the Mission begin immediately to allow it to monitor the on-going continuous Registration period scheduled to end on March 19, 2006.

To so do, the O.A.S. can prepare a budget and plan for the Mission as soon as possible and to see contributions for funding the activity.

Please be assured, Your Excellency, that the Government of Guyana stands ready to undertake its own efforts to seek donor support for such an Election Observer Mission.

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