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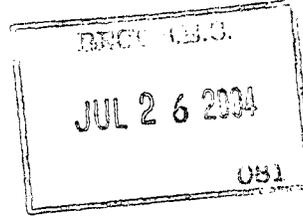
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Mr. Brian Johnson
Branch Chief
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Judiciary Plaza
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Exchange Act of 1933, Floating Rate Income Strategies Fund II, Inc., Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share. The NYSE requests simultaneous acceleration of registration of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, together with the 1933 Act. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on July 26, 2004. Tentative listing date – July 28, 2004.

Sincerely,

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