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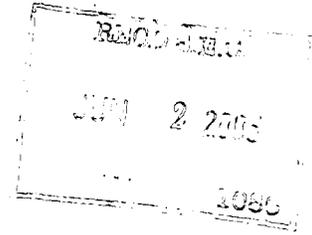
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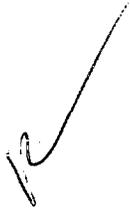
Mr. Brian Johnson  
Branch Chief  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
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Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Exchange Act of 1933, LAZARD WORLD DIVIDEND & INCOME FUND, INC., Common Stock, \$0.001 Par Value. 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 June 2, 2005. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

*Paras Madho*



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