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Statement by the Government of Finland

Proposed Convention and Recommendation concerning the partial revision of 15 international labour instruments (Report VIII)

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Finland supports the adoption of the Proposed Convention and Recommendation concerning the partial revision of 15 international labour instruments following the inclusion of a safe and healthy working environment in the ILO's framework of fundamental principles and rights at work. The Office's proposals are of technical and formal nature. However, Finland would like to highlight a few matters of technical nature that need further clarification.

Article 1(2) of the Convention, paragraph 2 of the Recommendation

It is unclear whether the intention is to add the existing Conventions 155 and 187 to the relevant paragraphs of the instruments in chronological order. Article 1(2) of the Convention leaves this matter open. The chronological order is mentioned in the paragraph 2 of the recommendation but not in paragraph 3 (c) of the recommendation.

Article 1(3) of the Convention

When a new category of a *safe and healthy working environment* is added as a new subparagraph, the two previous subparagraphs of the list should, in principle, also be amended in order to move the word **and** between the last two subparagraphs of the list.

Article 2 of the Convention

It is unclear, whether it is deliberately referred solely to articles 1 (1) and (3), in Article 2(1) of the Convention, whereas the same Article 2 (2) and Article 5 refer to Article 1 in its entirety.

General comments on ratification

Furthermore, Finland draws attention to the fact that if a member state has already ratified a Convention or a Protocol mentioned in the proposed Convention, it needs to ratify the proposed revising Convention in order to be bound by the amendments.

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Finland has ratified the following Conventions and Protocols:

- the Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182);
- the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006);
- the Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187);
- the Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189);
- the Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930.

Due to incorporation of the revising Convention into national legislation, Finland proposes that, with the exception of the amendments proposed to the MLC, the revising Convention should come into force within 30 days of the date on which the Member's ratification is registered.

The statement has been made by consulting the following labour market organisations:

1. Confederation of Finnish industries (EK)
2. Central Organisation of Finnish Trade Unions (SAK)
3. Finnish Confederation of Professionals (STTK)
4. Confederation of Unions for Professional and Managerial Staff in Finland (Akava)
5. Federation of Finnish Enterprises (SY)
6. Local Government and County Employers (KT)
7. Office for the Government as Employer (VTML)

Joint statement by the Central Organization of Finnish Trade Unions (SAK), the Finnish Confederation of Professionals (STTK) and the Confederation of Unions for Professional and Managerial Staff in Finland (Akava)

SAK, STTK and Akava support the adoption of the Proposed Convention and Recommendation concerning the partial revision of 15 international labour instruments following the inclusion of a safe and healthy working environment in the ILO's framework of fundamental principles and rights at work.

A copy of this report has also been sent to the above mentioned labour market organisations.

Yours faithfully,

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