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REPORTING	Fulfillment of Government's reporting obligations	YES.	
	Involvement of Employers' and Workers' organizations in the reporting process	with the following Myanmar Seafare of the Union of M And Industry Employers' Orga Confederation of Seamens' Federa Federation (MM Federation (MMPA); Indep (IFOMS); Agricu Allied of Work Federation of My	overnment indicated that its report was shared organizations, and no comments were received: as Employers Services Federation; The Republic Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce (UMFCCI) Garment Industry, Township nization, Hlaing Tharyar Township, Yangon; Trade Unions Myanmar (CTUM); Myanmar Maritime Workers' (WF); Myanmar Maritime Trade Unions (TUF); Myanmar Maritime Pilots Association tendent Federation of Myanmar (Food eters) (AFFM-IUF) Agriculture & Farmers anmar (AFFM); Myanmar Industries Craft and mions Federation (MICS-TUSF).
OBSERVATIONS BY THE SOCIAL PARTNERS	Employers' organizations	No.	
THE SOCIAL PARTICLES	Workers' organizations	No.	
EFFORTS AND PROGRESS MADE IN REALIZING MEASURES TARGETED BY THE PROTOCOL	Ratification	Ratification status	Myanmar has not yet ratified the Protocol of 2014 (P029) to the Forced Labour Convention.
		Ratification intention	
	Existence of a policy and / or plan of action for the suppression of forced or compulsory labour	that is being upon stakeholders thro (HLWG) meeting 2016 AR: Accordi	overnment indicated that there is an Action plan lated through the participation of all relevant ugh a series of High-Level Working Group s. ing to the Government: there is a 2012-2016 Plan trafficking in Myanmar.
	Measures taken or envisaged for systematic and coordinated action	<ul> <li>2017 AR: A series of High-Level Working Group meetings have been held to agree on the updated action the elimination of forced labour.</li> <li>2016 AR: The labour recruitment and placement prosupervised under the 1959 Employment Restriction Act Employment Restriction Rules. The existing labour laws reviewed to be in line with the socio economic situation. relating to the oversea employment, 1999, has been in the of review and amendment in line with the present situation.</li> </ul>	
	Measures taken or envisaged to prevent forms of forced labour	2017 AR: According to the Government, the measures taken envisaged include: a) the Supplementary Understanding (SU) signed for one year trial basis in 2007 to establish a complementary and since then, the forced labour complaints are be resolved and the SU has been extended until December 2017 in regards to the updated action plan on elimination of for labour, a series of HLWG meetings were held with representatives of the Ministry of Defense, the Ministry of Holdstand Affairs, the Ministry of Foreign Affair, the Ministry of Labour Immigration and Population, and the ILO; c) continuous negotiations are being made with the Ministry of Deference.	



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	approve Action 1.5, which is related to the Ministry of Defense among the 24 schedules under the four priorities of the draft action plan; d) awareness raisings and trainings which are crucial in the elimination of forced labour have been conducted in cooperation with the Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population, and ILO. Such awareness raising events were held 140 times from July 2012 to September 2017, and 24 times from April to November 2017. Moreover, 114 forced labour awareness raising Billboards were set up throughout the country.
Measures taken or envisaged to protect victims of forced labour	2017 AR: The Government reported that awareness raising and education on forced labour including the legal point of view have been undertaken for military officials, other ranks and cadet, including the family members of those by the Adjutant General, Deputy Adjutant General, Assistant Adjutant Generals and legal officials. Approximately 1.4 million officials and their family members have participated in education and awareness activities during the period 2012 to September 2017.
	2016 AR: According to the Government: If there are any forced labour victims in townships, ward or village tracts, the rehabilitation and professional reintegration will be cooperated with relevant departments to have a sustainable livelihood and employment. The Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement is taking measures for the rehabilitation and social and professional reintegration of victims in collaboration with UNICEF. In order to address problems, which migrant workers are encountering, the Complaints Mechanism Centers have been opened in Nay Pyi Taw and Yangon for receiving complaints and providing 24 hours services. Labour attachés are appointed in the countries where most of Myanmar migrant workers are working.
Measures taken or envisaged to facilitate access to remedies	2017 AR: The Government reported that the Tatmadaw (the Armed Forces of Myanmar) prescribes underage recruitment as illegal. When such recruitment occurs, the perpetrators are punished under the section 374 of the Penal Code. In addition, action has also been taken against responsible persons who did not systematically examine the (new) recruits who enter into the military with false documents, under the Section 65 of the Defense Services Act, 1959. From 2006 to August 2017, 87 military officials and 342 other ranks altogether 429 were punished.  2016 AR: According to the Government: There is a legislation that defines forced or compulsory labour in its various forms. Under section 374 of the Myanmar Penal Code, if anyone unlawfully compels any person to labour against the will of that person, the offender shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine, or with both. Article 27 (A) of the Ward and Village Tract Administration Law stipulates that "whoever forces labour or service from any person not offering his own volition by threatening that his interest will be affected or that he will be punished, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or with fine not exceeding one hundred thousand Kyats or with both by the relevant court".
Non-prosecution of victims for unlawful acts that they would have been forced to carry out	
Cooperation with other Member States, international / regional organizations or NGOs	<b>2017 AR:</b> The Government reported that it has been cooperating with ILO in a number of areas aimed at building capacity and awareness, as well as with Cambodia and Lao in implementing the mutual skills recognition process with the assistance of the ILO.
Promotional activities	2016 AR: According to the Government: Awareness-raising meetings about forced labour in the ward or village tract administrators were held twice a month. Pre-departure or



		in other countric (MRCs) have bee order to dissemina officials from the l provided lectures training for police village tract adm	gs are provided for the workers who will work es occasionally. Migrant Resources Centers in opened in cooperation with ILO and IOM in the the information concerning migration. Senior Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population on the elimination of forced labour in the e officers, fire safety officers, judges, ward or ministrators, teachers from the basic/ highs and military officers. Moreover, military officers aining of trainers.
	Special initiatives/Progress		
CHALLENGES IN REALIZING MEASURES TARGETED BY THE	According to the social partners	Employers' organizations	
PROTOCOL		Workers' organizations	
	According to the Government	2016 AR: Lack identified as a cha	of social dialogue on the principle has been llenge.
TECHNICAL COOPERATION NEEDS	Request	assistance in the formutual recognition Centers in Mandal organization of Mechanism Code training; provision of Trainers for Gobe assigned to votational Preparate Labour; National Preparate Labour; National Project); Gorder National Preparate Labour; National Preparate Labour; National Plan of data collection.  2016 AR: Accord would be importate the competent autincome-generation of experiences cooperation.	vernment indicated that ILO has been providing bllowing areas: provision of public awareness on n of skills (MRS); opening of Migrant Resource ay, Kyaukse, Myingyan, Dawei and Kyengtong; workshop for presentation on Complaint of Conduct; Labour Migration Management of training on recruitment process, and Training overnment Staff to guide employees who would work abroad; preparation of a Handbook for rture to Malaysia and Thailand (via ILO Triangle equality and women's empowerment training; fory Meeting for ASEAN Forum on Migrant Preparatory Meeting on the Role of Countries of the properties of the Asea of Countries of the convergence of the Asea of Countries of the Countries of the Asea of Countries of the Coun
	Offer	NIL.	



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REPORTING	Fulfilment of Government's reporting obligations	YES, except for the 2000, 2001 and 2002 Annual Reviews (ARs). No change reports under the 2006 and 2007 ARs.	
	Involvement of Employers' and Workers' organizations in the reporting process	YES, according to the Government: Involvement of employers' organization such as the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI), and workers organisations such as: the Confederation of Trade Unions of Myanmar (CTUM) [formerly known as the Federation of Trade Union of Myanmar (FTUM) and the Federation of Trade Unions – Burma (FTUB)], the Workers' Welfare Associations and the Ceramic Industrial Labour Organization (CILO), the Myanmar Trade Union Federation (MTUF), and the Agriculture and Farmers Federation of Myanmar (AFFM).	
OBSERVATIONS BY THE SOCIAL PARTNERS	Employers' organizations	2015 AR: Observations by the UMFCCI. 2014 AR: Observations by the UMFCCI and the most representative employers' organizations 2013 AR: Observations by the UMFCCI. 2012 AR: Observations by the UMFCCI. 2010 AR: Observations by the UMFCCI. 2008 AR: Observations by the UMFCCI. 2015 AR: Observations by the UMFCCI. 2016 AR: Observations by the TUM. Observations by the MTUF. 2017 AR: Observations by the FTUM and the most representative workers' organizations.	
	Workers' organizations		
EFFORTS AND PROGRESS MADE IN REALIZING THE PRINCIPLE AND RIGHT	Ratification	Ratification status	Myanmar ratified in 1955 the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29) (C.29). However, it has not ratified the Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105) (C.105).
		Ratification intention	Under consideration, since 2012, for C.105.  2015 AR: According to the Government: The ratification of C. 105 would be considered at the appropriate time. The Government indicated that Myanmar is in the process of studying the alignment of its national laws to the requirements of the Convention, and hence ratification would be considered at an appropriate time in the future.  UMFCCI reiterated its support for the ratification of C.105, but emphasized that ratification alone is not sufficient and building capacity for implementation is important.  CTUM expressed support to the ratification of C.105 and continued to lobby the Government to move ahead with ratification.  MTUF expressed its support for the ratification of C.105.  AR 2014: The Government reiterated that ratification of C.105 would be considered at the appropriate time.  The UMFCCI and the FTUM expressed their support for the

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		Basic legal	(i) Penal Code (section 374); (ii) The Amendment Law to Ward or
			• <b>Regulations:</b> Order No. 1/99 of 14/05/199 and its Supplementing Order of 27/10/2000.
			<b>2012 AR:</b> According to the Government: New drafts are being drawn, to replace the Village Act 1907 and the Town Act 1908 in compliance with C.29.
		<b>2013 AR:</b> According to the Government: The Penal Code (Section 374), the Ward or Village Tract Administration Law, the Amendment Law to Ward or Village Tract Administration Law.	
			has been drafted for discussion at the tripartite meeting of the Technical Working Group on Labour Law Reform.
			National Tripartite Dialogue Forum held on 23 September 2017, it was decided to amend the Settlement of Labour Disputes Law, and subsequently, amendment of the Settlement of Labour Dispute Law
			being held for amendments of the Labour Organization Law and the Settlement of Labour Disputes Law which were prioritized to be amended by holding the Labour Law Reform. At the 8 <sup>th</sup>
			on 28-8-2015. The employment contract included in the Employment and Skill Development Law was adopted on 29-7-2017 through bipartite and tripartite dialogues. Discussions are
			<b>2017 AR:</b> According to the Government: the Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population is enforcing 15 Labour Laws and under sub-section (d) of section (1.0) of the Minimum Wage Law 2013, the minimum wage law was determined by the notification
		regulations	Legislation: The Penal Code, covered by the existing laws, orders and regulations.  2017. APL Association to the Community the Ministry of Labour.
			<b>2003-2005 ARs:</b> According to the Government: The PR is recognized in Myanmar and is supported by a national policy.
			2013 – 2014 AR: According to the Government: The PR is being implemented in Myanmar as a national policy.
	provisions		implemented by enacting new Labour Laws, reviewing and amending the existing Labour Laws in cooperation with ILO and other international organizations as a national policy.
	(prospect(s), means of action, basic legal provisions)	Policy, legislation and/or	• Policy: 2015 AR: According to the Government: The PR is being
	Recognition of the principle and right	Constitution	<b>2010:</b> According to the Government: The new State Constitution adopted in May 2008 reflects the Government's intention to ratify C.105.
			institutionally mature to ratify C.105. <b>2008 AR:</b> The UMFCCI supported the ratification of C.105.
			Ratification of C.105 would be considered in appropriate time to do so.  The UMFCCI considered that Myanmar was not enough
			Constitution adopted in May 2008 reflects the Government's intention to ratify C.105, and ILO should cooperate with Myanmar for the ratification of all ILO fundamental Conventions.
			by Myanmar and mentioned that new laws are being discussed to create adequate institutional bodies to better enforce the principle and right (PR) in the country.  2010-2011 ARs: According to the Government: The new States
			be considered at the appropriate time.  The UMFCCI expressed its full support for the ratification of C.105
			<b>2013 AR</b> : The Government stated that ratification of C.105 would



	provisions	Village Tract Administration Law (section 27(a)); (iii) The Law to Ward or Village Tract Administration Law; (iv) Order No. 1/99 of 14/05/1999, and; (v) Supplementing Order No. 1/99 of 27/10/2000.
	Definition of forced or compulsory labour	<b>2005 AR:</b> According to the Government: Forced labour is defined as a situation in which a person is forced to work without his/her consent and contrary to law.
	Judicial decisions	NIL
Exercise of the principle and right	Special attention to particular situations and human trafficking	<ul> <li>2015 AR: There is a Central Body for Suppression of Trafficking in Persons, a Coordinated Mekong Ministeral Initiative Against Trafficking in Persons (COMMIT), and an 'Action Plan under the Joint Strategy for the Elimination of Forced Labour by 2015 in Myanmar'.</li> <li>2013 AR: According to the Government: There is: (i) A Plan of Action on the Prevention against recruitment of minors for military service, and; (ii) A central government body for the suppression of human trafficking.</li> </ul>
		<b>2011 AR:</b> According to the Government: The Committee for the Prevention of Military Recruitment of Under-Aged Children and the Trafficking in Persons Preventive Committee have been established.
	Information/ Data collection and dissemination	2015 AR: According to the Government: There is a Joint Strategy for the Elimination of Forced Labour by 2015 in Myanmar led by the Union Minister for Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Security, comprising of the representatives from Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Defense, Supreme Court, Attorney General Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation. ILO (Yangon) disseminates the PR by holding awareness raising seminars around the country cooperating with ILO liaison officer.
		2011 AR: According to the Government: The ILO Working Group led by Deputy Minister for Labour comprising of the representatives from Supreme Court, Attorney General Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs disseminate the PR by holding awareness raising seminars around the country cooperating with ILO liaison officer.
		<b>2004 AR:</b> According to the Government: The Department of General Administration collects statistics and other information relevant to the PR.
Monitoring, enforcement and sanctions mechanisms	by the Joint Strate Forced Labour	ling to the Government: A monitoring process is being implemented egy Working Group under the Joint Strategy for the Elimination of by 2015 in Myanmar and ILO Working Group under the nderstanding 2007. Complaints on forced labour can be referred to
		ding to the Government: Complaints on forced labour can be referred s in accordance a complaint mechanism established in cooperation
	respected, Order I will be taken ag negligence and pu	ding to the Government: In instances where the PR has not been No. 1/99 and its Supplementing Order explicitly provide that action ainst offenders under section 374 of the Penal Code (charges of ablic nuisance, respectively). Complaints can be referred to Peace and uncils, the Courts and the Police.
	2008 AR: Accord	ling to the Government: The Government and the ILO reached an

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	agreement on 26 February 2007 that the Supplementary Understanding (SofU) and others matters relating to C.29 would be covered under the mechanism dealing with the complaint of forced labour under the SofU. Up to June 2007, the liaison officer received 21 cases, and 9 out of them have been transmitted to the Deputy Minister for Labour, Chairman of the Working Group (WG) for further investigations. This WG is headed by the Director General of the Department of Labour and also comprised of officials from related departments.  2003-2005 ARs: According to the Government: In instances where the PR has not been respected, Order No. 1/99 and its Supplementing Order explicitly provide that
	action will be taken against offenders under section 374 of the Criminal Code (charges of negligence and public nuisance, respectively). Complaints can be referred to Peace and Development Councils, the courts and the police. Furthermore, the following measures have been implemented: (i) legal reform; (ii) inspection/monitoring mechanisms; penal sanctions; and (iii) civil/administrative sanctions.
Involvement of the social	<b>2015 AR:</b> According to the Government: Workers' and employers' organizations are being involved in the process together with ILO, UN bodies, CBOs and CSOs.
partners	<b>2013 AR:</b> The Government indicated that the employers' and workers' organisations were being involved in the implementation of the PR in the country along with civilian society, ILO and other UN bodies.
	<b>2010-2011 ARs:</b> According to the UMFCCI: Promotional activities are being carried out through tripartite consultations.
	<b>2003-2004 ARs:</b> According to the Government: Employers' and workers' organizations have been involved in the development and implementation of government measures.
Promotional activities	<b>2017 AR:</b> According to the Government: awareness raising and education on elimination of forced labour including its legal aspects have been undertaken for the military officials, other ranks and cadet including the family members of those by the Adjutant General, Deputy Adjutant General, Assistant Adjutant Generals and legal officials. Moreover, 114 forced labour awareness raising Billboards were set up throughout the country.
	<b>2015 AR:</b> According to the Government: The agreement for the extension of the Supplementary Understanding for an additional one year trial period until 2016 has been signed between Myanmar and ILO to eradicate forced labour.
	<b>2014 AR:</b> The Government indicated that a tripartite delegation of Myanmar had participated in the ILO/TURIN Pre-Conference Course on International Labour Standards held in May-June 2013 where issues concerning the PR were addressed.
	<b>2013 AR:</b> According to the Government: A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed with ILO in March 2012 has drawn a Plan of Action for the elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour in Myanmar by 2015. Moreover, national awareness raising seminars were organised in cooperation with ILO, and various publications on the PR in multiple languages were distributed on these occasions.
	<b>2012 AR:</b> According to the Government: In August 2011, ILO Liaison Officer delivered a lecture, organized by the Ministry of Home Affairs, on the promotion and realization of the PR. Moreover, an easily understandable brochure on the PR has been widely distributed in Myanmar language.
	<b>2011 AR:</b> The Government indicated that training programmes and awareness raising campaigns were jointly organized by the Government and the ILO Liaison Officer.
	<b>2009 AR:</b> According to the Government: Several training and awareness-raising activities were organized by the Government and the ILO Liaison Officer in 2008.
	<b>2008 AR:</b> The Government indicated that it had translated the Order No. 1/99 and its Supplementing Order prohibiting the requisition of forced labour into many languages such as Kachin, Kayar, Kayin (Pole, Sakaw), Mon, Shan and Chin (Tetain, Hacha, Matubi, Mintub), and subsequently transmitted to the relevant states and divisions of the country.
	<b>2003-2004 ARs:</b> According to the Government: Awareness raising/advocacy have been implemented to promote the PR.



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	Special initiatives/ Progress	Reform was cond States, Japan, D Stakeholder Foru tripartite consulta support for Myar and domestic sta towards construct and working cond 2014 AR: Accord is successfully be in March 2012. T Army has issued 374, instead of mi The FTUM further improved in the cond	rding to the Government: A Stakeholders Forum on Labour Law ducted on 18-19 May 2015 in Yangon in cooperation with United Denmark and the International Labour Organization (ILO). The Lam (SF) was intended to complement and strengthen domestic ations and existing labour-related initiatives, provide international nmar's labour reforms, and foster collaboration among international keholders. Ultimately, this engagement was intended to contribute tive industrial relations and progressive improvement of worker rights litions as Myanmar's economy integrates with the global economy. Using to the Government: A joint Action Plan to combat forced labour ing implemented in the framework of the Myanmar/ILO MOU signed the joint strategy is to eliminate forced labour in Myanmar 2015. The new instructions referring to sanctions under the Penal Code, section illitary rules and regulations.  For states that since then the situation of forced labour has significantly ountry.  In the different content is a state of the international embargo.
		will facilitate the implementation and realization of the PR. <b>2008 AR:</b> According to the Government: The Government and the ILO reached an agreement on 26 February 2007 that the SofU and others matters relating to C.29 would be covered under the mechanism dealing with the complaint of forced labour	
		under the SofU.  2005 AR: According to the Government: Successful example: field inspections were carried out based on allegations and measures were taken.	
		2004 AR: Accor consisted in the a	ding to the Government: The major change concerning the PR cceptance in October 2002 of an ILO Liaison Officer in the country; of Action was launched subsequently.
			ding to the Government: Successful example: Adoption of Order Supplementing Order (in case of negligence, public nuisance, etc.).
CHALLENGES IN REALIZING THE PRINCIPLE AND RIGHT	According to the social partners	Employers' organizations	<ul> <li>2015 AR: According to UMFCCI: The country's transition process has been delaying the pace of progress in the ratification of C.105.</li> <li>2010-2011 ARs: According to the UMFCCI: The international embargo is the main difficulty that Myanmar is facing.</li> <li>2008 AR: According to the UMFCCI: The economic conjuncture is very fragile due to the economic embargos and sanctions placed on Myanmar by several western countries.</li> </ul>
		Workers' organizations	<ul> <li>2015 AR: According to MTUF: Existing poor economic conditions pose challenges that undermine the ratification of C.105.</li> <li>2014 AR: According to the FTUM, although the situation of forced labour has substantially improved, some challenges have to be overcome in very remote rural areas.</li> </ul>
	According to the Government	government staff staff members wh International Trai <b>2014 AR:</b> In resp ranking military of	Government indicated insufficient capacity and awareness of and the private sector as an issue to be addressed. Employees and no are responsible for the reporting process should have access to the ning.  onse to the FTUM's observations, the Government indicated that high officials were being sensitized on the need to eradicate forced labour cluding in recruitment cases.
TECHNICAL COOPERATION	Request	need for technical technical capacity 2014 ARs: Acco need for ILO tecl	ding to the Government, UMFCCI, FTUM and MTUF: There is a l cooperation to increase awareness at different levels, and to build up of tripartite partners.  In the cooperation to facilitate the realization of PR in Myanmar, in following areas: (i) sharing of experiences across countries/regions;



		(ii) capacity building of responsible government institutions and employers' and workers' organisations; (iii) training of other officials (police, judiciary, social workers, teachers), and; (iv) awareness-raising campaign on the PR and dissemination in local languages.  2013 AR: According to the Government and the UMFCCI: There is a need for ILO technical cooperation to facilitate the realization of this PR in Myanmar, in particular in the following areas: (i) sharing of experiences across countries/regions; (ii) capacity building of responsible government institutions and employers' and workers' organisations; (iii) training of other officials (police, judiciary, social workers, teachers), and; (iv) awareness-raising campaign and dissemination in local languages.  2012 AR: The UMFCCI requested ILO's support with a view to strengthen the capacity of employers, in particular in training of trainers (TOT) on the fundamental principles and rights at work (FPRW).  2011 AR: According to the Government: Training courses should be provided by the ILO for the capacity enhancement of the responsible governmental institutions.  2010 AR: According to the Government: Collaboration between ILO and Myanmar for the ratification of Core Conventions needs to be continued.  2005 AR: According to the Government: To facilitate the realization of the PR in Myanmar, ILO technical cooperation would be needed in the following areas: (1) awareness-raising, literacy and advocacy; (2) assessment in collaboration with the ILO of the difficulties identified and their implication for realizing the PR; and (3) sharing of experiences across countries/regions.	
	Offer	ILO.	
EXPERT-ADVISERS' RECOMMENDATIONS	<ul> <li>2008 AR: The ILO Declaration Expert-Advisers (IDEAs) were also concerned that Myanmar (and another State) had not yet expressed their intention to ratify C.29 and/or C.105. They also reminded all the governments that it was of their primary responsibility to ensure that forced labour does not exist in their countries for any reason (cf. paragraphs 42 and 44 of the 2008 Annual Review Introduction – ILO: GB.301/3).</li> <li>2007 AR: The IDEAS urged the Government of Myanmar and another government to express their intentions concerning ratification of C.29 and/or C.105 (cf. paragraph 40 of the 2007 Annual Review Introduction – ILO: GB.298/3).</li> </ul>		
GOVERNING BODY OBSERVATIONS/ RECOMMENDATIONS	2015 AR: At its March 2014 Session, the Governing Body invited the Director-General to: (a) take into account its guidance on key issues and priorities with regard to assisting member States in their efforts to respect, promote and realize fundamental principles and rights at work; and (b) take account of this goal in the Office's resource mobilization initiatives.  2013 AR: At its November 2012 Session, the Governing Body requested the Director-General to take full account of the ILO Plan of Action on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (2012-2016) and allocate the necessary resources for its implementation. This plan of action is anchored in the universal nature of the fundamental principles and rights at work (FPRW), their inseparable, interrelated and mutually reinforcing qualities and the reaffirmation of their particular importance, both as human rights and enabling conditions. It reflects an integrated approach, which addresses both the linkages among the categories of FPRW and between them, and the other ILO strategic objectives in order to enhance their synergy, efficiency and impact. In this regard, freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining are particularly emphasized as enabling rights for the achievement of all these strategic objectives.  2011 AR: At its March 2010 Session, the Governing Body decided that the recurrent item on the agenda of the 101st Session (2012) of the International Labour Conference should address the ILO strategic objective of promoting and realizing fundamental principles and rights.  2009 AR: During its March 2009 Session, the Governing Body included the review of the follow-up to the 1998 ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work on the agenda of the 99th Session (2010) of the International Labour Conference.		
INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE RESOLUTION	2013 AR: In June 2012, following the recurrent item discussion on fundamental principles and rights at work, under the ILO declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization, 2008 and the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up, 1998, the International Labour Conference adopted the Resolution concerning the recurrent discussion on fundamental principles and rights at work.		



This resolution includes a framework for action for the effective and universal respect, promotion and realization of the FPRW for the period 2012-16. It calls for the Director- General to prepare a plan of action incorporating the priorities laid out in this framework for action for the consideration of the Governing Body at its 316<sup>th</sup> Session in November 2012.

2011 AR: Following a tripartite debate at the Committee on the 1998 Declaration, the 99<sup>th</sup> Session (2010) of the International Labour Conference adopted a Resolution on the follow-up to the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work on 15 June 2010. The text appended to this Resolution supersedes the Annex to the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, and is entitled "Annex to the 1998 Declaration (Revised)". In particular, the Resolution "[notes] the progress achieved by Members in respecting, promoting and realizing fundamental principles and rights at work and the need to support this progress by maintaining a follow-up procedure. For further information, see pages 3-5 of the following link: <a href="http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/">http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/</a>

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