



## FOR INFORMATION

### TWENTIETH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

## Report of the Director-General

### Third Supplementary Report

#### Appointment of a Regional Director

1. In accordance with the Staff Regulations, appointments at the Assistant Director-General level are made by the Director-General after consultation with the Officers of the Governing Body. On entering upon duties, a Regional Director with the rank of Assistant Director-General shall make and sign the prescribed declaration of loyalty before the Governing Body in public session.
2. After duly consulting the Officers of the Governing Body, the Director-General has appointed Ms Sachiko Yamamoto as Regional Director of the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific with the rank of Assistant Director-General with effect from 1 July 2007.
3. This appointment is communicated to the Governing Body for information. Brief statements concerning the qualifications and previous activities of Ms Yamamoto are given overleaf.

Geneva, 23 October 2007.

*Submitted for information.*

## **Ms Sachiko Yamamoto (Japan)**

Appointed Regional Director of the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, at the level of Assistant Director-General, with effect from 1 July 2007. Born in 1945.

Ms Yamamoto holds a PhD in International Law from the University of Cambridge, an MA in International Administrative Law from the Graduate School of Public Administration, International Christian University (Japan), and a BA in International Relations from the University of California.

Ms Yamamoto joins the ILO from the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) where she held the position of Executive Secretary of the Basel Convention on the Control of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal from 2001–07. Her earlier appointments at the United Nations include Principal Legal Officer of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (1997–2001), Deputy Legal Adviser to the UN Transitional Authority in Cambodia (1992–93), Senior Legal Officer of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (1988–91), and Secretary-General/Coordinator of the International Convention for the Protection of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (1984–85). She was also the Coordinator of UNEP projects on the control of land-based marine pollution and environmental impact assessment (1982–84) and Programme Officer at the UNEP Environmental Law Unit (1976–81).

Ms Yamamoto has written various publications on international law and lectured on international law at Ritzumeikan University and Aoyama Gakuin University in Japan and conducted research on the environment and trade at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (1995).