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FOURTEENTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Report of the Director-General

Seventh Supplementary Report: Financial arrangements for the 13th African Regional Meeting (2015)

1. As suggested in a separate report of the Officers, pending any decision to be adopted by the Working Party on the Functioning of the Governing Body and the International Labour Conference (WP/GBC) regarding regional meetings, it is suggested to return to a yearly rotation for these meetings, with the holding of the 13th African Regional Meeting in 2015 (previous session held in October 2011) and the 16th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting in 2016 (previous session held in December 2011).
2. Should the Officers recommend, and the Governing Body endorse, the holding of the 13th African Regional Meeting in 2015, it should also consider and take a decision concerning the financial implications of such meeting.

Financial arrangements

3. The estimated costs of the next African Regional Meeting are as follows:

Estimated costs for the 13th African Regional Meeting (in 2014–15 US\$)

Staff	351 000
Travel	159 000
Conference facilities	65 000
Printing	28 000
Miscellaneous	25 000
Total	628 000

4. In the context of the pending consultations on the reform of Regional Meetings, no resources had been proposed for these two events in the Programme and Budget 2014–15. However, it was clearly stated in the Programme and Budget proposals submitted in March 2013 (see paragraph 291 of document GB.317/PFA/1) that “should one or both of these meetings be held in 2015, they would be financed out of Part II (Unforeseen

expenditure) of the budget, as well as out of any savings realized under Part I of the budget”.

Draft decision

- 5. The Governing Body decides that the cost of the 13th African Regional Meeting, estimated at US\$628,000, be financed in the first instance from savings in Part I of the budget or, failing that, through Part II, on the understanding that, should this subsequently prove impossible, the Director-General would propose alternative methods of financing at a later stage in the biennium.***