Meeting of Experts on the Revision of the List of Occupational Diseases (Recommendation No. 194) (Geneva, 27–30 October 2009)

Agenda¹

To complete the work accomplished by the Meeting of Experts on Updating the List of Occupational Diseases (13–20 December 2005), on the basis of the common ground about the scope and contents of the revised List of Occupational Diseases* achieved through the tripartite consultations conducted by the Office (see annex), further to the request made by the Governing Body at its 295th Session in March 2006.

* Scope and contents of the revised List of Occupational Diseases

(1) The definition of the term "occupational disease" in the Protocol of 2002 to the Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), and the definition of occupational diseases in the Employment Injury Benefits Recommendation, 1964 (No. 121), will define the scope within which the updating of the list of occupational diseases annexed to Recommendation No. 194 by the Meeting will take place.

(2) In view of the fact that open-ended items do exist in the current list annexed to Recommendation No. 194, modifications of these items will be based on the amendments submitted to the Committee on Occupational Accidents and Diseases of the 90th Session of the International Labour Conference in 2002 and be consistent with the definitions of occupational diseases referred to in the above paragraph (1).

- (3) The diseases included in Schedule I of the Employment Injury Benefits Convention, 1964 (No. 121), will all be included.
- (4) Individual diseases items in the lists proposed by the Employer experts and by the Government and Worker experts at the 2005 Meeting of Experts which did not raise any controversy during the 2005 Meeting of Experts will, in principle, be retained.
- (5) New occupational diseases not included in the lists proposed by the Employer experts and by the Government and Worker experts at the 2005 Meeting of Experts will not be considered unless there is a consensus among the experts at the forthcoming 2009 meeting.

¹As determined by the Governing Body at its 303 Session in November 2008 (GB303/21)