SIXTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA


1. The Tripartite Meeting of Experts to Develop Joint ILO/WHO Guidelines on Health Services and HIV/AIDS was held in Geneva from 19 to 21 April 2005, chaired by Dr. Lester Wright (Government, United States).

2. The Meeting was attended by Government experts from Cameroon, Chile, Indonesia, and the Russian Federation, as well as five Employer and five Worker experts. A Government representative from Morocco attended as an observer, as did a representative of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. Representatives from the following international non-governmental organizations also attended as observers: the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions; the International Co-operative Alliance; the International Council of Nurses; the International Organisation of Employers; the International Pharmaceutical Federation; Public Services International; the World Confederation of Labour; and the World Economic Forum – Global Health Initiative.

3. The agenda of the Meeting as approved by the Governing Body at its 290th (June 2004) Session was as follows: to develop joint ILO/WHO guidelines on health services and HIV/AIDS.

4. The Meeting considered draft guidelines jointly prepared by the International Labour Office and the World Health Organization.  

5. It unanimously adopted the revised draft Joint ILO/WHO guidelines on health services and HIV/AIDS  and the report of the discussion,  which are distributed with the present paper. Paragraph 122 of the report points to suggested follow-up activities in promoting the Joint ILO/WHO guidelines by the two Organizations.

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3 TMEHS/2005/7.
6. The Governing Body may wish to:

(a) take note of the report of the Tripartite Meeting of Experts and to authorize the Director-General to publish the joint ILO/WHO guidelines on health services and HIV/AIDS;

(b) request the Director-General to bear in mind, when drawing up proposals for the future work of the Office, the wishes expressed by the Meeting in the recommendations for follow-up action by the ILO.


Point for decision: Paragraph 6.