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RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNING BODY TO EXAMINE PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN LABOUR PROVISIONS FOR INTERNATIONALLY-FINANCED DEVELOPMENT WORKS

Considering that the International Labour Organization should be in a position to offer effective assistance in determining the appropriateness of including provisions concerning welfare and working conditions in the terms under which any international development works are to be carried out, and in framing and applying any such provisions,

The Conference requests the Governing Body to examine the methods which might be adopted for determining the appropriateness in any particular case of the inclusion of such provisions, for framing such provisions, and for ensuring their effective application.

VIII

RESOLUTION CONCERNING MEASURES FOR THE PROTECTION OF TRANSFERRED FOREIGN WORKERS AND OF FOREIGN WORKERS' AND EMPLOYERS' ORGANIZATIONS

Whereas the International Labour Conference is called upon by Item II on the agenda of the present session to make recommendations to the United Nations for present and post-war social policy ; and

Whereas some of the gravest problems of social policy that will confront the United Nations when they come to occupy certain portions of Axis territory will be those which will arise in connection with the millions of foreign workers who have been transferred to work in Axis countries ; and

Whereas the Council of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration has assumed responsibility for the measures to be taken to repatriate such workers ; and

Whereas it is desirable that provision should be made for the protection of such workers in regard to their health, welfare and general interests pending their repatriation ;

The Conference recommends as follows—

- (1) Precautions should be taken, subject to the removal of all officials identified with the former totalitarian régime, to ensure that the administrative machinery set up by the former régime for handling questions connected with the utilization of foreign labour power, together with all its records and documents, is for the time being preserved intact. In particular, the United Nations and the occupying authorities should make it clear that the personnel concerned will be held individually responsible for the preservation of such documents and records and that persons convicted of destroying or concealing them will be severely punished.
- (2) Pending the repatriation of foreign workers, which should be carried out with the greatest possible speed, the competent occupation authority should take appropriate action for the purpose of protecting such workers in regard to their feeding, accommodation, health, safety, welfare and general interests.
- (3) All discriminatory treatment in respect of remuneration, the right to employment, conditions of employment, the wearing of distinctive badges, &c., on account of race, national or local origin, or religion, should be immediately abolished.
- (4) The competent occupation authority should in the matters concerning foreign workers in Axis nations collaborate with the Governments and trade unions of Allied countries.
- (5) Arrangements should be made, within the framework of general restitution arrangements, for the restitution of funds or property that may have been confiscated in Germany or elsewhere from international and foreign trade union organizations, co-operatives, and employers' organizations by Axis agents.

IX

RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE HOLDING OF A REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE COUNTRIES OF THE NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST

Whereas the International Labour Organization, during the coming year, will have to pay closer attention to the various regions of the world where similar social and economic conditions exist ; and

Whereas the raising of the social standards of the workers in town and country will largely depend upon appropriate solutions being sought to the specific problems of the regions concerned ; and

Whereas the Near and the Middle East constitute a vast region of particular importance, where similar conditions prevail as regards the working and living conditions of great masses of agricultural workers, whether independent, semi-independent, or wage-paid ; and

Whereas these conditions, as well as the problems with which the countries concerned are confronted in their effort towards systematic development of resources and industrialization, require special study, exchange of experience and joint action ; and

Whereas particular attention should be directed to the working and living conditions in the oil producing areas of this region ;

The Twenty-sixth Session of the International Labour Conference resolves to invite the Governing Body of the International Labour Office to examine the possibility of convening at an early date a regional conference of the countries of the Near and Middle East, with a view to giving effect to the consideration of the specific problems of that region.

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RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED AT EARLIER SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE BEARING UPON THE PROBLEM OF THE ORGANIZATION OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE TRANSITION FROM WAR TO PEACE.

The General Conference of the International Labour Organization

Having adopted the Employment (Transition from War to Peace) Recommendation, 1944, the Employment Service Recommendation, 1944, the Public Works (National Planning) Recommendation, 1944,