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(c) The communication by Members of the formal ratifications of International Labour Conventions in accordance with paragraph 7 of Article 19 of the Constitution and the relevant provisions of the individual Conventions;

(d) The communication to Members of all notifications required by the terms of International

Labour Conventions.

2. The Conference requests the Governing Body-

(a) To take effective steps as promptly as possible to deal with problems common to a region or to a particular industry, with due regard to the Constitution and principles of the Organization, and its competence; and

(b) To report to the next general session of the Conference the steps taken and plans for the further regionalization of the Office and of the Organization and for special

consideration of the problems of particular industries.

3. The Conference requests the Governing Body during the period of the deliberations of the committee to be established under the terms of this Resolution and of the development of an overall pattern of international institutions, to take appropriate steps to assure close collaboration and a full exchange of information between the International Labour Organization and any other public international organizations which now exist or may be established for the promotion of economic and social well-being, and in the furtherance of this objective it may instruct the Director to arrange with such organizations, on conditions mutually agreeable, for—

(a) The exchange of information, views, reports, studies and other documents regarding policies and measures of mutual interest and concern at appropriate stages in their

formulation and execution; and

(b) The exchange of representatives without vote, at meetings convened by this Organization and such other organizations; and

(c) The creation and maintenance of such joint committees as may facilitate their effective

co-operation.

4. The Conference requests the Governing Body—

(a) To appoint a committee as soon as possible to consider the future constitutional development of the Organization. The committee shall particularly consider the following matters in active collaboration with the Office, and in the light of the Report on Item I submitted by the Office, the resolutions and amendments submitted to the Conference the views expressed in the Conference, and any suggestions which may be communicated to the Office by Governments—

(i) The relationship of the Organization to other international bodies;

- (ii) The constitutional practice of the Organization and its clarification and codification;
- (iii) The status, immunities and other facilities to be accorded to the Organization by Governments as necessary to the efficient discharge of the responsibilities of the Organization;

(iv) The methods of financing the Organization;

(b) After receiving and considering the report of the committee to bring to the attention of the Conference at its next general session such matters as in its judgment require action by the Conference.

5. The Conference requests the Governing Body to appoint representatives with power to negotiate, if necessary prior to the next general session of the Conference, with international authorities on behalf of the Organization concerning any constitutional questions which at any time require

immediate action, including the matters referred to in paragraph 4.

6. The Conference authorizes the Governing Body to decide the place at which the Twenty-seventh Session of the Conference shall be held. In the event of a maritime session being convened in the near future, this authorization shall apply to the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth Sessions.

## IV

RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTOR AND STAFF OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE

The Conference, desirous of reaffirming the international character of the responsibilities of the Director and staff of the International Labour Office, adopts the following resolution:—

1. The Director of the International Labour Office shall, on appointment, make a solemn declaration before the Governing Body that he will discharge the duties committed to him with the interests of the International Labour Organization alone in view, will not seek or receive instructions in regard to the discharge thereof from any authority external to the Organization, and will at all times uphold the provisions of the Constitution of the International Labour Organization.

2. The responsibilities of the staff of the International Labour Office shall be exclusively international in character. Members of the staff shall on appointment make a solemn declaration in the form and manner approved by the Governing Body that they will not seek or receive instructions in regard to the discharge of their responsibilities from any authority external to the Organization.

3. The Conference affirms it to be the duty of the Members of the Organization to respect fully the international character of the responsibilities of the Director and staff of the International Labour Office and not to seek to influence any of their nationals in the discharge of such responsibilities.

## V

## RESOLUTION CONCERNING INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEES

The Conference is of the opinion that the International Labour Office should proceed forthwith with the setting up of industrial sections and invites the Governing Body to elaborate regulations governing the activities of industrial committees.