



FOURTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Reporting arrangements concerning operational aspects of the International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC)

1. The Committee will recall that, following its 268th Session (March 1997),¹ at which it requested the Director-General to “report annually on the operational aspects of IPEC to the Committee on Technical Cooperation at its March session, as a separate agenda item”, reports entitled “Operational aspects of the International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC)” were submitted to the Committee at the 271st (March 1998) and 274th (March 1999) Sessions of the Governing Body.
2. At the IPEC Steering Committee meeting of November 1999, several matters concerning the functioning and the reporting arrangements of the Steering Committee were reviewed. The Steering Committee concluded that “a regular meeting should be held once a year in November, in conjunction with the Governing Body, on the Friday before the committee week; reporting, orally or otherwise will be done to appropriate organs of the Governing Body, not necessarily only to the Technical Cooperation Committee;”.²
3. The Officers of the Committee on Technical Cooperation, who met in March 2000 and in June 2000, agreed that since the IPEC Steering Committee would be meeting early during the present session, the annual report to the Committee on Technical Cooperation should therefore be submitted orally at the November session, as a separate agenda item.
4. *In the light of the above, the Committee recommends that the Governing Body request the Director-General to report annually on the operational aspects of IPEC to the Committee on Technical Cooperation at its November session, as a separate agenda item.*

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¹ GB.268/12.

² Summary of Proceedings, Ninth Meeting of the IPEC International Steering Committee, Geneva, 19 November 1999.