

Concerning the review of maritime-related instruments, undertaken at the request of the Governing Body, the STC adopted the following recommendations:

## Technical Note 1

### **Instruments relating to the minimum age (seafarers)**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 7 as “outdated” and propose its withdrawal.
2. To classify Convention No. 58 as “outdated”. In this regard, the STC recommends:
  - (a) to encourage States still bound by this Convention to ratify the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006). This would involve the automatic denunciation of Convention No. 58;
  - (b) to encourage States which have already ratified the MLC, 2006 but remain bound by Convention No. 58 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
  - (c) to encourage States still bound by Convention No. 58 that have ratified Convention No. 138 but have set a minimum age of 14 years: (i) to set a minimum age of at least 16 years, in accordance with Standard A1.1, paragraph 1, of the MLC, 2006; or (ii) for those that have set the minimum age for maritime labour at 18 years, to send a declaration to the Office stating that Article 3 of Convention No. 138 is applicable to maritime labour. Both these situations would also involve the automatic denunciation of Convention No. 58; and
  - (d) to review the situation of this Convention at the next meeting of the STC in order to decide on its possible abrogation or withdrawal.
3. To classify Recommendation No. 153 as “outdated” and propose its withdrawal.

## [Technical Note 2](#)

### **Instruments relating to medical examination (seafarers)**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 16 as “outdated” and propose its abrogation.
2. To classify Convention No. 73 as “outdated” and propose its abrogation.
3. With regard to the above, to encourage States which have already ratified the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006) but remain bound by Conventions Nos. 16 and 73 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
4. To request the Office to launch an initiative to promote ratification on a priority basis of the MLC, 2006 among those countries still bound by these Conventions.

## Technical Note 3

### **Instruments relating to training and qualifications (seafarers)**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 53 as “outdated” and propose its abrogation.
2. To classify Convention No. 74 as “outdated” and propose its abrogation.
3. With regard to the above, to encourage States which have already ratified the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006) but remain bound by Conventions Nos. 53 and 74 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
4. To request the Office to launch an initiative to promote ratification on a priority basis of the MLC, 2006 among those countries still bound by these Conventions.

## Technical Note 4

### **Instruments relating to recruitment and placement (seafarers)**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 9 as “outdated” and propose its abrogation. In this regard, this STC urges member States which remain bound by Convention No. 9 to ratify the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006). It further requests the Office to provide technical assistance to that effect to those member States.
2. To encourage States which have already ratified the MLC, 2006 but remain bound by Convention No. 9 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
3. To classify Recommendation No. 107 as “outdated” and propose its withdrawal.
4. To classify Convention No. 179 and Recommendation No. 186 as “outdated” and propose their withdrawal.

## Technical Note 5

### **Instruments relating to seafarers' employment agreements**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 22 as “outdated”. In this regard, the STC recommends:
  - (a) to encourage States still bound by this Convention to ratify the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006). This would involve the “automatic” denunciation of Convention No. 22;
  - (b) to encourage States which have already ratified the MLC, 2006 but remain bound by Convention No. 22 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
  - (c) to review the situation of this Convention at the next meeting of the STC in order to decide on its possible withdrawal or abrogation.

## Technical Note 6

### **Instruments relating to seafarers' wages, hours of work and hours of rest, and manning of ships**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Conventions Nos 57, 76, 93, 109 and 180 and Recommendations Nos 49 and 187 as "outdated instruments" and propose their withdrawal.
2. That the Governing Body takes note of the juridical replacement of Recommendation No. 109 by Recommendation No. 187.

## Technical Note 7

### **Instruments relating to entitlement to leave (seafarers)**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Conventions Nos 54 and 72 as “outdated” and propose their withdrawal.
2. To classify Convention No. 91 as “outdated” and propose its abrogation. In this regard, the STC recommends to encourage States still bound by this Convention to ratify the MLC, 2006.
3. To classify Convention No. 146 as “outdated” and review its situation at the next meeting of the STC in order to decide on its possible withdrawal or abrogation. In this regard, the STC recommends:
  - (a) to encourage the States still bound by this Convention to ratify the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006). This would involve the automatic denunciation of Convention No. 146;
  - (b) to encourage States which have already ratified the MLC, 2006 but remain bound by Convention No. 146 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
  - (c) to recognize that Convention No. 146 provides that States may extend its application to persons excluded from the definition of seafarers in the Convention, or certain categories thereof, and draw the attention of the Standards Review Mechanism Tripartite Working Group (SRMSWG) to any issues this may raise.



## Technical Note 8

### **Instruments relating to the repatriation of seafarers**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 23 as “outdated” and to review its situation at the next STC in order to decide on its possible withdrawal or abrogation. In this regard, the STC recommends:
  - (a) to encourage States that are still bound by Convention No. 23 to ratify the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006). This would involve the automatic denunciation of Convention No. 23;
  - (b) to encourage States which have already ratified the MLC, 2006 but remain bound by Convention No. 23 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
2. To classify Recommendation No. 27 and Recommendation No. 174 as “outdated” and to propose their withdrawal.
3. To classify Convention No. 166 as “outdated”. In this regard, the STC recommends:
  - (a) to encourage States that are still bound by Convention No. 166 to ratify the MLC, 2006;
  - (b) to note that Convention No. 166 provides that States may extend its application to commercial maritime fishing, and to draw the attention of the SRMTWG to any issues this may raise; and
  - (c) to review the status of this Convention during the next meeting of the STC, in order to decide upon its possible withdrawal or abrogation.

## Technical Note 9

### **Instruments concerning seafarer compensation for the ship's loss or foundering**

The Special Tripartite Committee recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 8 in the category of “outdated standards” and propose its abrogation.
2. To encourage States which have already ratified the MLC, 2006 but remain bound by Convention No. 8 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.

## Technical Note 10

### **Instruments relating to career and skill development and opportunities for seafarers' employment**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) recommends:

1. To classify Convention No. 145 and Recommendation No. 154 as “outdated” and propose their abrogation and withdrawal respectively. In this regard, the STC recommends:
  - (a) to encourage the ratification of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006) by the five States still bound by Convention No. 145. This would involve the automatic denunciation of Convention No. 145;
  - (b) to encourage States which have already ratified the MLC, 2006 but remain bound by Convention No. 145 in respect of non-metropolitan territories, to extend the application of the MLC, 2006 to those territories.
2. That the Governing Body takes note of the juridical replacement of Recommendation No. 77 by Recommendation No. 137.
3. To classify Recommendation No. 137 as “outdated” and propose its withdrawal.
4. To classify Recommendation No. 139 as “outdated” and propose its withdrawal.