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► Introduction

1. At its 343rd Session (November 2021), the Governing Body of the International Labour Office decided to place on the agenda of the 111th Session (2023) of the International Labour Conference an item on the abrogation of one Convention and the withdrawal of four Conventions, one Protocol and 18 Recommendations.¹
2. The Seafarers' Welfare Convention, 1987 (No. 163) was placed on the agenda for abrogation. The following Conventions, Protocol and Recommendations were placed on the agenda for withdrawal: Social Security (Seafarers) Convention, 1946 (No. 70); Accommodation of Crews Convention, 1946 (No. 75); Social Security (Seafarers) Convention (Revised), 1987 (No. 165); Labour Inspection (Seafarers) Convention, 1996 (No. 178); Protocol of 1996 to the Merchant Shipping (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1976; National Seamen's Codes Recommendation, 1920 (No. 9); Unemployment Insurance (Seamen) Recommendation, 1920 (No. 10); Labour Inspection Recommendation, 1923 (No. 20); Labour Inspection (Seamen) Recommendation, 1926 (No. 28); Seamen's Welfare in Ports Recommendation, 1936 (No. 48); Seafarers' Social Security (Agreements) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 75); Seafarers (Medical Care for Dependants) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 76); Bedding, Mess Utensils and Miscellaneous Provisions (Ships' Crews) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 78); Ships' Medicine Chests Recommendation, 1958 (No. 105); Medical Advice at Sea Recommendation, 1958 (No. 106); Social Conditions and Safety (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 108); Seafarers' Welfare Recommendation, 1970 (No. 138); Crew Accommodation (Air Conditioning) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 140); Crew Accommodation (Noise Control) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 141); Prevention of Accidents (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 142); Merchant Shipping (Improvement of Standards) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 155); Seafarers' Welfare Recommendation, 1987 (No. 173); and Labour Inspection (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1996 (No. 185).
3. With the exception of Recommendation No. 20,² the decision of the Governing Body was based on the recommendations formulated by the Special Tripartite Committee (STC) established under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006),³ in the first part of its fourth meeting (19–23 April 2021). The STC had been tasked with the review of 68 maritime instruments by the Standards Review Mechanism Tripartite Working Group (SRM TWG).⁴ A first group of 34 instruments was examined at its third meeting in 2018,⁵ and the second group of 34 instruments was presented to its fourth meeting.

¹ [GB.343/INS/2\(Rev.1\)/Decision](#) and [GB.343/INS/2\(Rev.1\)](#).

² The withdrawal of Recommendation No. 20 was originally placed by the Governing Body on the agenda of the 111th Session (2022) of the Conference ([GB.334/PV](#), para. 42(d)). This decision was based on the recommendations formulated at the fourth meeting of the Standards Review Mechanism Tripartite Working Group (September 2018). In light of the impact on the setting of the Conference agenda of the deferral of its 109th Session, resulting in the deferral of agenda items to later sessions of the Conference, the Governing Body decided at its 343rd Session (November 2021), to place this item on the agenda of the 111th Session of the Conference that will now be held in 2023.

³ The STC is responsible for keeping the working of the MLC, 2006 under continuous review and providing advice on this subject to the Governing Body, or through the Governing Body, to the International Labour Conference.

⁴ This decision was endorsed by the Governing Body at its 326th Session (March 2016). See [GB.326/PV](#), para. 514.

⁵ As a result, at its 109th Session, the Conference took a number of decisions as regards the abrogation and withdrawal of instruments; see [ILC.109/Instruments](#).

4. Pursuant to article 19, paragraph 9, of the Constitution of the International Labour Organization, the Conference is empowered, by a two-thirds majority and upon recommendation by the Governing Body, to abrogate a Convention in force if it appears that it has lost its purpose, or that it no longer makes a useful contribution to attaining the objectives of the Organization. The capacity to propose the abrogation of Conventions is an important tool of the Standards Review Mechanism process, which is aimed at ensuring that the Organization has a robust and up-to-date body of international labour standards. This will be the fourth time that the International Labour Conference will be called upon to decide on the possible abrogation of international labour Conventions.
5. Should the Conference decide to abrogate or withdraw the above-referenced instruments, they would be removed from the ILO's body of standards. In particular, Members that have ratified and are still bound by Convention No. 163 will no longer be obliged to submit reports under article 22 of the Constitution and may no longer be subject to representations (article 24) or complaints (article 26) for non-observance. For their part, the ILO supervisory bodies will not be required to examine the implementation of that Convention and the Office will take the necessary steps to ensure that abrogated or withdrawn instruments are no longer reproduced in any collection of international labour standards or referred to in new instruments, codes of conduct or similar documents.
6. In accordance with article 52(1) of the Standing Orders, when an item on abrogation or withdrawal is placed on the agenda of the Conference, the Office shall communicate to the governments, so as to reach them not less than 18 months before the opening of the session of the Conference at which the item is to be discussed, a short report and questionnaire requesting them to indicate within a period of 12 months their position, and the reasons for their position, on the subject of the proposed abrogation or withdrawal, along with the relevant information. As a result, Report VII(1) was sent to Member States, who were invited to communicate their replies to the Office by 9 December 2022 at the latest. After recalling the procedure as well as the relevant decisions of the Conference and the Governing Body, Report VII(1) summarized the reasons put forward by the Governing Body in proposing that the above-mentioned instruments be abrogated or withdrawn.⁶
7. At the time that the present report was drawn up, the Office had received replies from the governments of the following 72 Member States: Algeria, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cambodia, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Uzbekistan.
8. In its invitation, the Office had drawn the attention of governments to article 52(1) of the Standing Orders of the Conference, which requires that Member States "consult the most representative organizations of employers and workers before finalizing their replies".
9. The governments of the following 47 Member States confirmed that employers' and workers' organizations had been consulted or involved in drawing up the replies: Australia, Austria,

⁶ ILC.111/VII/1.

Bahrain, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, and Uruguay. In addition, the governments of the following 14 Member States indicated that at the time of submitting their replies they had not yet received input from all social partners: Bahrain, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Denmark, Estonia, Guatemala, Ireland, Latvia, Mexico, Niger, Norway, Panama, Paraguay and Slovenia.

- 10.** The present report has been drawn up on the basis of the replies received, the substance of which, together with brief commentaries, is given in the following pages.

► Summary of replies received and commentaries

11. This section presents each question with the total number of government replies received and the number of affirmative and negative replies, with the list of the governments which gave them. The explanations accompanying the governments' replies and the observations of employers' and workers' organizations are presented alphabetically by country, in succinct form. Replies which consisted in a simple affirmative or negative response have not been reproduced, except in cases where the replies of employers' or workers' organizations diverged from those of the government or where no government reply was received from the particular Member State.

I. Convention No. 163

Do you consider that the above-referenced Convention should be abrogated?

If you replied "no" to the above question, please indicate the reasons why you consider that the above-referenced Convention has not lost its purpose or that it still makes a useful contribution to attaining the objectives of the Organization.

Total number of replies: 72

Affirmative: 70. Algeria, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cambodia, Canada, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Uzbekistan.

Negative: 2. Colombia and Mexico.

Comments

Colombia: The Government is concerned that this abrogation may lead to a protection gap in countries that have not yet ratified the MLC, 2006. The initiative recommended by the STC to promote the ratification of the MLC, 2006 should be carried out before the proposed abrogation and withdrawals.

Central Unitaria de Trabajadores (CUT): No.

The CUT is against the abrogation of Convention No. 163. Although the abrogation serves to maintain a solid and up-to-date body of labour standards, it must be carefully considered so as not to lower the protection of workers' rights. In 2021, the CUT submitted a complaint to the Committee on Freedom of Association (CFA) regarding the violation of the right to collective bargaining and the right to strike of seafarers in Colombia. While the MLC, 2006 has revised a number of Conventions, it does not afford the same level of protection as the revised Conventions. Moreover, as several Latin American Member States, including Colombia, have not yet ratified the MLC, 2006, the proposed abrogation could aggravate the lack of protection for seafarers in the region. The abrogation of Convention No. 163 should be made dependent on the ratification of the MLC, 2006 by the four Member States that are bound by Convention No. 163.

Greece: Greek General Confederation of Labour (GSEE) and Panhellenic Seamen's Federation (PNO): No.

The GSEE considers that although there is a need for a clear, stable and up-to-date set of international labour standards, the abrogation of this Convention would not contribute to advancing the relevant global and national institutional frameworks regarding the protection of seafarers and maritime labour.

The PNO is against this abrogation because the Convention provides for seafarers' rights that were acquired through continuous efforts and struggle.

Jamaica: Jamaica Confederation of Trade Unions (JCTU): No.

The JCTU considers that seafarers continue to need the protection offered by Convention No. 163 in cases where no other Convention provides for similar protection.

Mexico: The Government recalls that Mexico is a party to Convention No. 163 and that it presented in 2022 a report on that Convention to the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations (CEACR), pursuant to article 22 of the Constitution. Since Mexico has not yet ratified the MLC, 2006, the proposed abrogation would lead to a normative vacuum in the promotion and guarantee of the well-being of seafarers.

Unión Nacional de Trabajadores (UNT): Yes.

The UNT considers that countries that have not yet ratified the MLC, 2006 should be urged to do so with a view to updating, improving and promoting social justice and better working conditions for seafarers.

Portugal: União Geral de Trabalhadores (UGT): Yes.

The UGT considers that the abrogation should be accompanied by an effort on the part of the ILO to secure ratification of the MLC, 2006, notably by Member States with a significant gross tonnage of ships, with a view to ensuring an adequate regulation of the maritime sector and the effective protection of seafarers.

Office commentary

Except for two governments and four workers' organizations, all respondents support the abrogation of Convention No. 163. The proposed abrogation will contribute to further clarify the status of existing maritime labour standards and encourage Member States that have not yet done so, to ratify the MLC, 2006 as the consolidated and up-to-date instrument regulating all aspects of seafarers' working and living conditions. The proposed abrogation will also facilitate the streamlining of the work of the supervisory organs as well as the promotional activities of the Office in the field of maritime labour.

II. Conventions Nos 70, 75, 165 and 178 and Protocol of 1996

Do you consider that the four above-referenced Conventions and Protocol should be withdrawn?

If you replied "no" to the above question, please indicate which Convention(s) or Protocol among the above-listed instruments you consider that it has not lost its purpose or that it still makes a useful contribution to attaining the objectives of the Organization and the reasons thereof.

Total number of replies: 72

Affirmative: 70. Algeria, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cambodia, Canada, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Uzbekistan.

Negative: 2. Colombia and Peru.

Comments

Colombia: The Government is concerned that these withdrawals may lead to a protection gap in countries that have not yet ratified the MLC, 2006. The initiative recommended by the STC to promote the ratification of the MLC, 2006 should be carried out before the proposed abrogation and withdrawals.

CUT: No.

The CUT considers that the proposal to withdraw Conventions Nos 70, 75, 165 and 178 and the Protocol of 1996 should be further analysed to make sure that it does not lower the level of protection of seafarers. In 2021, the CUT submitted a complaint to the CFA regarding the violation of the right to collective bargaining and the right to strike of seafarers in Colombia. While the MLC, 2006 has revised a number of Conventions, it does not afford the same level of protection as the revised Conventions. Notably, Convention No. 178 contains more detailed provisions than the MLC, 2006 with respect to labour inspection. Its withdrawal would therefore diminish the protection of seafarers. Lastly, as several Latin American Member States, including Colombia, have not ratified the MLC, 2006, the proposed withdrawals could aggravate the lack of protection for seafarers in the region. Peru, for example, has not ratified the MLC, 2006 and continues to be bound by Convention No. 178.

Greece: GSEE and PNO: No.

The GSEE considers that although it is recognized that there is a need for a clear, stable and up-to-date set of international labour standards, the withdrawal of these instruments would not serve the aim of advancing the relevant global and national institutional frameworks regarding the protection of seafarers and maritime labour.

The PNO is against the withdrawals because these instruments provide for seafarers' rights that were acquired through continuous efforts and struggle.

Italy: The Government noted that although no employers' or workers' organizations objected to the proposed withdrawals, the Confederazione italiana dei dirigenti e delle alte professionalità (CIDA) raised questions of a formal nature relating to the Protocol of 1996 that were clarified by the Government.

Mexico: Confederación Auténtica de Trabajadores de la República Mexicana (CAT): No.

The CAT considers that Conventions Nos 70 and 75 contain important provisions and definitions relating to social security and accommodation of seafarers. As they provide for minimal conditions for seafarers that may inform national legislation, they should only be withdrawn in case new Conventions or Recommendations have, at a minimum, equivalent provisions. Moreover, the proposal to withdraw Conventions Nos 165 and 178 and the Protocol of 1996 should be reconsidered for the following reasons. Although Convention No. 165 continues to be often disregarded, it serves as a reference for other Conventions and national legislation in countries that had ratified it. Convention No. 178 contains important provisions relating to labour inspection, which ultimately seeks to safeguard the labour and social rights of seafarers. Lastly, with respect to the Protocol of 1996, the withdrawal of minimal

standards with regard to merchant shipping could lead to labour-related risks and to lack of knowledge by seafarers of the elements needed to perform their work safely.

UNT: Yes.

The UNT considers that countries that have not ratified the MLC, 2006 should be urged to do so with a view to updating, improving and promoting social justice and better working conditions for seafarers.

Peru: The Government considers that Convention No. 178 should not be withdrawn pending conclusion of the ratification process of the MLC, 2006 by Peru.

Portugal: UGT: Yes.

The UGT considers that this process should be accompanied by an effort on the part of the ILO to secure ratification of the MLC, 2006, notably by Member States with a significant gross tonnage of ships, with a view to ensuring an adequate regulation of the maritime sector and the effective protection of seafarers.

Office commentary

Except for two governments and four workers' organizations, all respondents support the withdrawal of Conventions Nos 70, 75, 165 and 178 and the Protocol of 1996. The proposed withdrawals will contribute to further clarify the status of existing maritime labour standards and encourage Member States that have not yet done so, to ratify the MLC, 2006 as the consolidated and up-to-date instrument regulating all aspects of seafarers' working and living conditions.

III. Recommendations Nos 9, 10, 20, 28, 48, 75, 76, 78, 105, 106, 108, 138, 140, 141, 142, 155, 173 and 185

Do you consider that the 18 above-referenced Recommendations should be withdrawn?

If you replied "no" to the above question, please indicate which Recommendation(s) among the above-listed instruments you consider that it has not lost its purpose or that it still makes a useful contribution to attaining the objectives of the Organization and the reasons thereof.

Total number of replies: 72

Affirmative: 69. Algeria, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cambodia, Canada, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Uzbekistan.

Negative: 3. Colombia, Mexico and Peru.

Comments

Colombia: The Government is concerned that these withdrawals may lead to a protection gap in countries that have not yet ratified the MLC, 2006. The initiative recommended by the STC to promote the ratification of the MLC, 2006 should be carried out before the proposed abrogation and withdrawals.

Greece: In respect of Recommendation No. 20, the Government indicated that Greece is a party to the Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), and that at the request of the social partners, the Government would initiate consultations to consider ratification of the Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129).

Association of Greek Tourism Enterprises (SETE), Hellenic Confederation of Commerce and Entrepreneurship (ESEE), Hellenic Federation of Enterprises (SEV) and Union of Greek Shipowners (UGS): Yes.

GSEE and PNO: No.

The GSEE considers that although it is recognized that there is a need for a clear, stable and up-to-date set of international labour standards, the withdrawal of these Recommendations would not serve the aim of advancing the relevant global and national institutional frameworks regarding the protection of seafarers and maritime labour.

The PNO is against the withdrawals because these Recommendations provide for seafarers' rights that were acquired through continuous efforts and struggle.

Jamaica: JCTU: No.

The JCTU is against the withdrawal of Recommendations Nos 78 and 185.

Mexico: The Government notes that Recommendation No. 142 and Recommendations Nos 48, 138 and 173 provide guidance on and complement Conventions Nos 134 and 163, respectively, which have been ratified by Mexico. Considering that Recommendation No. 173 has revised Recommendations Nos 48 and 138, the Government can accept the withdrawal of the latter two but is against the withdrawal of Recommendations Nos 142 and 173.

CAT: No.

The CAT notes that given that the Recommendations proposed for withdrawal continue to be disrespected despite their relevance, they should be revised and updated, rather than withdrawn.

UNT: Yes.

The UNT considers that countries that have not ratified the MLC, 2006 should be urged to do so with a view to updating, improving and promoting social justice and better working conditions for seafarers.

Peru: The Government considers that Recommendation No. 185 should not be withdrawn pending conclusion of the ratification process of the MLC, 2006 by Peru.

Portugal: UGT: Yes.

The UGT is in favour of the withdrawals; it considers that this process should be accompanied by an effort on the part of the ILO to secure ratification of the MLC, 2006, notably by Member States with a significant gross tonnage of ships, with a view to ensuring an adequate regulation of the maritime sector and the effective protection of seafarers.

Office commentary

Except for three governments and four workers' organizations, all respondents support the withdrawal of Recommendations Nos 9, 10, 20, 28, 48, 75, 76, 78, 105, 106, 108, 138, 140, 141, 142, 155,

173 and 185. The proposed withdrawals will contribute to further clarify the status of existing maritime labour standards and encourage Member States that have not yet done so, to ratify the MLC, 2006 as the consolidated and up-to-date instrument regulating all aspects of seafarers' working and living conditions.

► Proposed decisions

Pursuant to article 52(2) of the Standing Orders of the Conference, this report is presented to the Conference for consideration. The Conference is also invited to consider and to adopt the following proposals:

1. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to abrogate the Seafarers' Welfare Convention, 1987 (No. 163).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to abrogate the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

2. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Social Security (Seafarers) Convention, 1946 (No. 70).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

3. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Accommodation of Crews Convention, 1946 (No. 75).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

4. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Social Security (Seafarers) Convention (Revised), 1987 (No. 165).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

5. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Labour Inspection (Seafarers) Convention, 1996 (No. 178).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

6. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Protocol of 1996 to the Merchant Shipping (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1976.

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

7. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the National Seamen's Codes Recommendation, 1920 (No. 9).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

8. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Unemployment Insurance (Seamen) Recommendation, 1920 (No. 10).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

9. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Labour Inspection Recommendation, 1923 (No. 20).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

10. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Labour Inspection (Seamen) Recommendation, 1926 (No. 28).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

11. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Seamen's Welfare in Ports Recommendation, 1936 (No. 48).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

12. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Seafarers' Social Security (Agreements) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 75).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

13. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Seafarers (Medical Care for Dependents) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 76).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

14. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Bedding, Mess Utensils and Miscellaneous Provisions (Ships' Crews) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 78).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

15. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Ships' Medicine Chests Recommendation, 1958 (No. 105).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

16. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Medical Advice at Sea Recommendation, 1958 (No. 106).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

17. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Social Conditions and Safety (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 108).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

18. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Seafarers' Welfare Recommendation, 1970 (No. 138).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

19. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Crew Accommodation (Air Conditioning) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 140).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

20. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Crew Accommodation (Noise Control) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 141).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

21. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Prevention of Accidents (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 142).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

22. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Merchant Shipping (Improvement of Standards) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 155).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

23. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Seafarers' Welfare Recommendation, 1987 (No. 173).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.

24. The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened in Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met at its 111th Session on 5 June 2023,

Following consideration of the proposal for the abrogation of one international labour Convention and withdrawal of four international labour Conventions, one Protocol and 18 international labour Recommendations,

decides this ... day of June of the year two thousand and twenty-three to withdraw the Labour Inspection (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1996 (No. 185).

The Director-General of the International Labour Office shall notify all Members of the International Labour Organization, as well as the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of this decision to withdraw the instrument.

The English, French and Spanish versions of the text of this decision are equally authoritative.