



## **Reports on credentials**

### **Brief report presented by the Chairperson of the Governing Body of the International Labour Office on the credentials of the delegates and advisers to the 104th Session of the International Labour Conference (Geneva, 31 May 2015)**

1. The composition of each delegation and the procedure for appointing delegates and advisers to sessions of the International Labour Conference are governed by article 3 of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation.<sup>1</sup>
2. In accordance with article 3(8) and (9) of the Constitution, it is for the governments to communicate the nominations to the International Labour Office. The Conference examines these nominations and decides, in the case of dispute, whether delegates and advisers have been nominated in accordance with this article of the Constitution.
3. The Conference exercises this power through the Credentials Committee in accordance with the procedure laid down in articles 5 and 26 to 26quater of its Standing Orders.<sup>2</sup>
4. By virtue of article 26(2) of the Standing Orders of the Conference: “A brief report upon these credentials shall be drawn up by the Chairperson of the Governing Body. It shall, with the credentials, be made available for inspection on the day before the opening of the session of the Conference and shall be published on the day of the opening of the session.”
5. The present report serves to provisionally fix the quorum necessary to give validity to the votes taken, in accordance with article 20(1)(2) of the Standing Orders of the Conference.
6. The attached table, which was established on Sunday, 31 May 2015, at 5 p.m., shows the numerical composition of the delegations to the Conference received on that date. In this regard, it should be noted that the persons who have been nominated, both as substitute delegates and as advisers, have been included in the table among the advisers.

<sup>1</sup> [http://www.ilo.org/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=NORMLEXPUB:62:0::NO::P62\\_LIST\\_ENTRIE\\_ID:2453907](http://www.ilo.org/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=NORMLEXPUB:62:0::NO::P62_LIST_ENTRIE_ID:2453907).

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.ilo.org/ilc/Rulesfortheconference/lang--en/index.htm>.

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7. To date, 168 member States have communicated the names of the members of their delegations. Ninety-seven (one less than last year and four less than the year before) deposited their credentials on or before 11 May 2015, thus meeting the deadline fixed at 21 days prior to the opening of this session of the Conference.<sup>3</sup> This deadline takes account of the fact that this year's session will take place over two weeks, on an experimental basis, with the same large numbers of participants whose credentials and visas need to be processed by the Office and the Swiss authorities respectively. The *Provisional List of Delegations*, which appears on the opening day of the Conference, contains the names of the accredited participants received as of Sunday, 31 May 2015, at 5 p.m.
  8. Regarding incomplete delegations, while the Conference and the Credentials Committee have previously insisted on the obligation which article 3 of the Constitution imposes on governments requiring them to send complete delegations to the Conference, two member States (Tajikistan and Yemen) have accredited delegations exclusively composed of Government delegates. In addition, one member State (Nicaragua) has appointed a Workers' delegate but no Employers' delegate; whereas, another member State (Djibouti) has not appointed the Workers' delegate in conformity with article 3(1) of the Constitution.
  9. Forty-one governments (compared to 39 last year) have failed to confirm that they would cover their delegates' and advisers' travel and subsistence expenses, in accordance with article 13(2)(a) of the Constitution.
  10. In order to ensure greater clarity in establishing the credentials and to expedite their entry into the Conference management system, governments are asked to use the on-line accreditation system<sup>4</sup> made available by the Office or, if this is not possible, the downloadable form for the nomination of delegations available on the website of the Conference.
  11. Delegates and advisers are asked to register in person at the Registration Desk located at the Pavilion, which is near the ILO building, since the daily quorum is calculated on the basis of the number of delegates actually registered.

## **Composition of the Conference and quorum**

12. At present, 333 Government delegates, 165 Employers' delegates and 165 Workers' delegates – a total of 663 delegates – are accredited to the Conference.
13. There are, in addition, 1,091 Government advisers, 496 Employers' advisers and 670 Workers' advisers – a total of 2,257 advisers.
14. A total of 2,920 delegates and advisers have been nominated to take part in the work of the Conference in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of the Organisation.
15. Fifteen member States accredited to the Conference are in arrears in their financial contributions to the Organization under the terms of article 13(4) of the Constitution and therefore may not, at present, participate in the voting in the Conference or its committees.

<sup>3</sup> See, GB.322/WP/GBC/1; GB.322/INS/12 (Rev.); dec-GB.322/INS/12; GB.323/WP/GBC/1(Rev.1); GB.323/INS/10; dec-GB.323/INS/10.

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.ilo.org/ilc/Credentials/lang--en/index.htm>.

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These are: Burundi, Comoros, Djibouti, El Salvador, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Paraguay, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan. Therefore, 55 delegates are not taken into account in calculating the quorum; nor, is one delegate who, in accordance with article 4(2) of the Constitution, cannot vote owing to the incomplete nature of its delegation (Nicaragua).

16. In conformity with article 17 of the Constitution of the Organisation and article 20 of the Standing Orders of the Conference, the necessary quorum to give a vote validity is provisionally set at 304.<sup>5</sup>

## Observers

17. Three observers' delegations have been accredited to the Conference (Bhutan, Cook Islands and the Holy See).
18. The Cook Islands has also requested admission as a member State of the International Labour Organization under article 1(4) of the Constitution of the Organisation and article 28 of the Standing Orders of the Conference.

## Liberation movement and organizations invited

19. The Conference is also attended by:
- a delegation from Palestine, as a liberation movement invited in conformity with article 2(3)(k) of the Standing Orders of the Conference;
  - representatives of the United Nations and some of its bodies, invited by virtue of Article II, paragraph 1 – relating to reciprocal representation – of the Agreement between the United Nations and the International Labour Organisation, which came into effect on 14 December 1946;
  - representatives of other official international organizations, invited in conformity with article 2(3)(b) of the Standing Orders of the Conference;
  - representatives of non-governmental international organizations with which consultative relations have been established, invited in conformity with article 2(3)(j) of the Standing Orders of the Conference; and
  - representatives of other non-governmental international organizations also invited in conformity with article 2(3)(j) of the Standing Orders of the Conference.
20. The representatives indicated in the above paragraph are included in the *Provisional List of Delegations*, published as a supplement to the *Provisional Record* of the Conference.

Geneva, 31 May 2015

(Signed) Apolinário Jorge Correia,  
Chairperson of the Governing Body

<sup>5</sup> That is, half of the total number of accredited delegates (663) after subtraction of the number not entitled to vote on account of arrears (55) or incomplete delegation (1).

- 1) Government delegates  
2) Employers' delegates  
3) Workers' delegates
- 4) Government advisers  
5) Employers' advisers  
6) Workers' advisers

## List of accredited delegates and advisers

	1)	2)	3)	4)	5)	6)	1)	2)	3)	4)	5)	6)
Afghanistan.....	2	1	1	3	-	1	2	1	10	4	4	2
Albania.....	2	1	1	7	1	1	2	1	1	2	-	2
Algeria.....	2	1	13	8	8	8	2	1	1	4	7	2
Angola.....	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	4	4	-	1
Antigua and Barbuda.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	1
Argentina.....	2	1	1	9	8	8	2	1	1	4	-	1
Armenia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	8	2	1
Australia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	3	1	1
Austria.....	2	1	1	7	2	3	2	1	16	1	3	3
Azerbaijan.....	2	1	1	5	2	8	2	1	1	5	4	2
Bahamas.....	2	1	1	3	-	-	2	1	1	8	2	1
Bahrain.....	2	1	1	3	4	8	2	1	1	16	1	1
Bangladesh.....	2	1	14	6	6	6	2	1	1	5	4	8
Barbados.....	2	1	1	1	-	1	2	1	1	3	1	2
Belarus.....	2	1	1	8	2	8	2	1	1	8	8	1
Belgium.....	2	1	16	5	8	8	2	1	1	2	7	1
Belize.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	-	1
Benin.....	2	1	12	1	6	6	2	1	11	4	8	2
Bolivia (Plurinational State).....	2	1	1	7	2	1	2	1	1	8	-	1
Bosnia and Herzegovina.....	2	1	1	-	-	-	2	1	1	9	4	4
Botswana.....	2	1	1	4	-	7	2	1	1	8	2	2
Brazil.....	2	1	11	5	6	6	2	1	1	2	-	1
Brunei Darussalam.....	2	1	1	5	-	-	2	1	13	4	5	1
Bulgaria.....	2	1	1	8	5	2	2	1	1	4	1	2
Burkina Faso.....	2	1	14	3	5	5	2	1	14	7	8	2
Burundi.....	2	1	1	5	-	-	2	1	16	8	8	-
Cambodia.....	2	1	1	5	-	-	2	1	1	16	8	2
Cameroon.....	2	1	1	9	5	5	2	1	1	8	4	5
Canada.....	2	1	1	6	3	4	2	1	1	7	-	2
Cabo Verde.....	2	1	1	4	-	-	2	1	1	7	-	1
Central African Republic.....	2	1	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	6	3	2
Chad.....	2	1	1	12	1	4	2	1	1	5	-	1
Chile.....	2	1	16	8	8	8	2	1	1	3	4	1
China.....	2	1	16	7	8	8	2	1	1	9	3	6
Colombia.....	2	1	12	8	8	8	2	1	1	9	3	3
Comoros.....	2	1	1	3	1	3	2	1	1	8	5	5
Congo.....	2	1	1	14	8	8	2	1	1	10	7	8
Costa Rica.....	2	1	1	3	-	-	2	1	1	4	1	1
Côte d'Ivoire.....	2	1	16	8	8	8	2	1	1	9	8	8
Croatia.....	2	1	1	1	1	-	2	1	14	5	8	2
Cuba.....	2	1	1	4	1	2	2	1	1	3	-	1
Cyprus.....	2	1	1	3	4	7	2	1	1	1	-	1
Czech Republic.....	2	1	1	8	3	4	2	1	1	1	-	1
Democratic Republic of the Cong.....	2	1	1	16	8	8	2	1	1	1	-	1
Denmark.....	2	1	1	11	6	8	2	1	1	1	-	1
Djibouti.....	1	1	-	3	1	-	2	1	1	-	2	4
Dominica.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	-
Dominican Republic.....	2	1	1	3	-	1	2	1	1	10	4	4
Ecuador.....	2	1	1	7	1	1	2	1	1	2	-	2
Egypt.....	2	1	13	8	8	8	2	1	1	4	7	1
El Salvador.....	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	-	-	1
Equatorial Guinea.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	4	-	1
Eritrea.....	2	1	1	9	8	8	2	1	1	8	2	1
Estonia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	3	1	3
Ethiopia.....	2	1	1	7	2	3	2	1	16	1	3	3
Fiji.....	2	1	1	7	2	6	2	1	1	5	4	8
Finland.....	2	1	1	5	2	8	2	1	1	8	2	1
France.....	2	1	1	3	-	-	2	1	1	3	1	2
Gabon.....	2	1	1	3	4	8	2	1	1	8	8	1
Gambia.....	2	1	14	6	6	6	2	1	1	5	4	8
Georgia.....	2	1	1	1	-	1	2	1	1	5	-	1
Germany.....	2	1	1	8	2	8	2	1	1	3	1	3
Ghana.....	2	1	16	5	8	8	2	1	1	16	1	3
Greece.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	5	4	8
Grenada.....	2	1	12	1	6	6	2	1	1	8	2	1
Guatemala.....	2	1	1	7	2	1	2	1	1	4	1	1
Guinea.....	2	1	1	-	-	-	2	1	1	8	2	2
Guinea-Bissau.....	2	1	1	4	-	7	2	1	1	2	-	1
Guyana.....	2	1	11	5	6	6	2	1	1	13	4	5
Haiti.....	2	1	1	5	-	-	2	1	1	4	1	1
Honduras.....	2	1	1	8	5	2	2	1	1	1	-	1
Hungary.....	2	1	14	3	5	5	2	1	14	7	8	2
Iceland.....	2	1	1	5	-	-	2	1	1	16	8	8
India.....	2	1	1	5	-	-	2	1	1	16	8	8
Indonesia.....	2	1	1	9	5	5	2	1	1	8	4	5
Islamic Republic of Iran.....	2	1	1	6	3	4	2	1	1	7	-	2
Iraq.....	2	1	1	4	-	-	2	1	1	6	3	2
Ireland.....	2	1	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	5	-	1
Israel.....	2	1	1	12	1	4	2	1	1	3	4	1
Italy.....	2	1	16	8	8	8	2	1	1	3	4	1
Jamaica.....	2	1	16	7	8	8	2	1	1	9	3	6
Japan.....	2	1	12	8	8	8	2	1	1	9	3	3
Jordan.....	2	1	1	3	1	3	2	1	1	8	5	5
Kazakhstan.....	2	1	1	14	8	8	2	1	1	10	7	8
Kenya.....	2	1	1	3	-	-	2	1	1	4	1	1
Kiribati.....	2	1	16	8	8	8	2	1	1	9	8	8
Korea.....	2	1	1	1	1	-	2	1	14	5	8	2
Kuwait.....	2	1	1	4	1	2	2	1	1	3	-	1
Kyrgyzstan.....	2	1	1	3	4	7	2	1	1	1	-	1
Lao People's Democratic Rep.....	2	1	1	8	3	4	2	1	1	1	-	1
Latvia.....	2	1	1	16	8	8	2	1	1	1	-	1
Lebanon.....	2	1	1	11	6	8	2	1	1	1	-	1
Lesotho.....	1	1	-	3	1	-	2	1	1	-	2	4
Liberia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	-
Lithuania.....	2	1	1	7	1	1	2	1	1	10	4	4
Libya.....	2	1	1	3	-	1	2	1	1	2	-	2
Luxembourg.....	2	1	14	5	8	8	2	1	1	4	7	1
Madagascar.....	2	1	1	2	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	1
Malawi.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	4	-	1
Malaysia.....	2	1	1	2	-	1	2	1	1	8	2	1
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Mali.....	2	1	1	3	4	2	2	1	1	16	1	3
Malta.....	2	1	1	2	1	-	2	1	1	5	4	8
Marshall Islands.....	2	1	1	4	3	3	2	1	1	-	-	1
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Mexico.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	8	8	2
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Montenegro.....	2	1	1	5	7	8	2	1	1	3	1	3
Morocco.....	2	1	1	8	6	4	2	1	1	8	2	2
Mozambique.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	-	1
Myanmar.....	2	1	1	2	7	2	2	1	1	11	4	8
Namibia.....	2	1	1	7	8	8	2	1	1	9	8	4
Nepal.....	2	1	1	1	-	1	1	2	1	8	2	2
Netherlands.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	2	-	1
New Zealand.....	2	1	1	3	3	-	2	1	1	13	4	5
Nicaragua.....	2	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	4	1	1
Niger.....	2	1	1	4	5	5	2	1	1	1	-	1
Nigeria.....	2	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	14	7	8
Norway.....	2	1	1	16	8	8	2	1	1	16	8	8
Oman.....	2	1	1	16	8	8	2	1	1	7	-	2
Pakistan.....	2	1	1	7	6	6	2	1	1	8	4	5
Palau.....	2	1	1	4	3	8	2	1	1	7	-	1
Panama.....	2	1	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	6	3	2
Papua New Guinea.....	2	1	1	4	-	5	2	1	1	5	-	1
Paraguay.....	2	1	1	3	2	3	2	1	1	3	4	1
Peru.....	2	1	1	2	1	-	2	1	1	9	3	6
Philippines.....	2	1	11	3	8	8	2	1	1	9	3	3
Poland.....	2	1	1	9	2	8	2	1	1	8	5	5
Portugal.....	2	1	1	2	-	-	2	1	1	10	7	8
Qatar.....	2	1	1	5	6	8	2	1	1	4	1	1
Romania.....	2	1	1	-	-	-	2	1	1	9	8	8
Russian Federation.....	2	1	1	15	6	8	2	1	1	14	5	8
Rwanda.....	2	1	1	7	3	3	2	1	1	3	-	1
Saint Kitts and Nevis.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	-	1
Saint Lucia.....	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	-	1
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2	1	1	7	1	1	2	1	1	1	-	1
Samoa.....	2	1	1	5	5	8	2	1	1	1	-	1
San Marino.....	2	1	1	4	-	-	2	1	1	1	-	1
Sao Tome and Principe.....	2	1	1	4	2	7	2	1	1	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia.....	2	1	1	10	4	4	2	1	1	1	2	2
Senegal.....	2	1	1	2	-	-	2					



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