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## INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

**Instrument for the amendment of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation. Adopted by the General Conference of the International Labour Organisation at its thirty-sixth session, Geneva, 25 June 1953**

*Official texts: English and French.*

*Registered by the International Labour Organisation on 1 June 1954.*

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## ORGANISATION INTERNATIONALE DU TRAVAIL

**Instrument pour l'amendement de la Constitution de l'Organisation internationale du Travail. Adopté par la Conférence générale de l'Organisation internationale du Travail à sa trente-sixième session, Genève, le 25 juin 1953**

*Textes officiels anglais et français.*

*Enregistré par l'Organisation internationale du Travail le 1<sup>er</sup> juin 1954.*

No. 2581. INSTRUMENT<sup>1</sup> FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION. ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION AT ITS THIRTY-SIXTH SESSION, GENEVA, 25 JUNE 1953

The General Conference of the International Labour Organisation,

Having been convened at Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met in its Thirty-sixth Session on 4 June 1953; and

Having decided to substitute, in the provisions of the Constitution of the Organisation relating to membership of the Governing Body, the numbers " forty ", " twenty ", " sixteen " and " ten " for the numbers " thirty-two ", " sixteen ", " twelve " and " eight ", a question which is the eighth item on the agenda of the session,

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 20 May 1954, in accordance with paragraph 2 of article 6, the conditions provided for in article 36 of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation having been fulfilled on that date.)

The ratification or acceptance on behalf of the following members of the International Labour Organisation were received by the Director-General of the International Labour Office on : (\* indicates a Member represented on the Governing Body as a Member of chief industrial importance) :

4 September 1953	Viet-Nam . . . . .	Acceptance
8 September 1953	Australia . . . . .	Acceptance
19 October 1953	New Zealand . . . . .	Ratification
29 October 1953	Syria . . . . .	Ratification
20 November 1953	Greece . . . . .	Acceptance
23 November 1953	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland* . . . . .	Ratification
24 November 1953	Canada* . . . . .	Ratification
4 December 1953	Finland . . . . .	Ratification
10 December 1953	India* . . . . .	Ratification
16 December 1953	Dominican Republic . . . . .	Ratification
18 December 1953	Ireland . . . . .	Ratification
23 December 1953	Israel . . . . .	Ratification
28 December 1953	El Salvador . . . . .	Ratification
28 December 1953	Iran . . . . .	Acceptance
28 December 1953	Lebanon . . . . .	Acceptance
31 December 1953	Portugal . . . . .	Ratification
8 January 1954	Iceland . . . . .	Acceptance
9 January 1954	Pakistan . . . . .	Acceptance
11 January 1954	Costa Rica . . . . .	Acceptance
13 January 1954	Cuba . . . . .	Ratification
15 January 1954	Yugoslavia . . . . .	Acceptance
18 January 1954	Ceylon . . . . .	Ratification
21 January 1954	Indonesia . . . . .	Acceptance
25 January 1954	Libya . . . . .	Acceptance
28 January 1954	Liberia . . . . .	Ratification
11 February 1954	Mexico . . . . .	Ratification
13 February 1954	Federal Republic of Germany . . . . .	Acceptance

Adopts this twenty-fifth day of June of the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three the following Instrument for the amendment of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation, which may be cited as the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation Instrument of Amendment, 1953.

### *Article 1*

In the text of the Constitution<sup>1</sup> of the International Labour Organisation as at present in force the numbers " forty ", " twenty ", " sixteen " and " ten " respectively shall be substituted for the numbers " thirty-two ", " sixteen ", " twelve " and " eight " contained in paragraphs 1, 2 and 8 of Article 7 and in Article 36.

### *Article 2*

In the text of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation as at present in force the last sentence of paragraph 2 of Article 7 shall be deleted.

### *Article 3*

As from the date of the coming into force of this Instrument of Amendment, the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation shall have effect as amended in accordance with the preceding articles.

### *Article 4*

On the coming into force of this Instrument of Amendment the Director-General of the International Labour Office shall cause an official text of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation as modified by the provisions of this Instrument of Amendment to be prepared in two original copies,

22 February	1954	Egypt . . . . .	Acceptance
22 February	1954	Thailand . . . . .	Acceptance
26 February	1954	China* . . . . .	Ratification
2 March	1954	Burma . . . . .	Acceptance
8 March	1954	Austria . . . . .	Ratification
10 March	1954	Japan . . . . .	Ratification
12 March	1954	Afghanistan . . . . .	Acceptance
2 April	1954	Sweden . . . . .	Ratification
12 April	1954	Norway . . . . .	Ratification
13 April	1954	Poland . . . . .	Ratification
15 April	1954	Switzerland . . . . .	Ratification
21 April	1954	Belgium . . . . .	Ratification
23 April	1954	Denmark . . . . .	Ratification
26 April	1954	Ecuador . . . . .	Acceptance
11 May	1954	Peru . . . . .	Ratification
13 May	1954	Panama . . . . .	Ratification
17 May	1954	Bolivia . . . . .	Acceptance
19 May	1954	Uruguay . . . . .	Ratification
20 May	1954	Italy* . . . . .	Acceptance

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 15, p. 40.

duly authenticated by his signature. One of these copies shall be deposited in the archives of the International Labour Office and the other shall be communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for registration in accordance with Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations. The Director-General shall communicate a certified copy of the text to each of the Members of the International Labour Organisation.

#### *Article 5*

Two copies of this Instrument of Amendment shall be authenticated by the signatures of the President of the Conference and of the Director-General of the International Labour Office. One of these copies shall be deposited in the archives of the International Labour Office and the other shall be communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for registration in accordance with Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations. The Director-General shall communicate a certified copy of the Instrument to each of the Members of the International Labour Organisation.

#### *Article 6*

1. The formal ratifications or acceptances of this Instrument of Amendment shall be communicated to the Director-General of the International Labour Office, who shall notify the Members of the Organisation of the receipt thereof.

2. This Instrument of Amendment will come into force in accordance with the provisions of Article 36 of the Constitution of the Organisation.

3. On the coming into force of this Instrument, the Director-General of the International Labour Office shall so notify all the Members of the International Labour Organisation and the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The foregoing is the authentic text of the Instrument for the amendment of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation duly adopted by the General Conference of the International Labour Organisation during its Thirty-sixth Session which was held at Geneva and declared closed the twenty-fifth day of June 1953.

The English and French versions of the text of this Instrument of Amendment are equally authoritative.

IN FAITH WHEREOF we have appended our signatures this twenty-sixth day of June 1953.

The President of the Conference :

Irving M. IVES

The Director-General of the International Labour Office :

David A. MORSE