

No. 26070

**INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION
and
SRI LANKA**

**Agreement concerning the establishment of an office of
the Organisation in Colombo. Signed at Colombo on
21 March 1988**

Authentic texts: English and Sinhala.

Registered by the International Labour Organisation on 10 July 1988.

**ORGANISATION INTERNATIONALE DU TRAVAIL
et
SRI LANKA**

**Accord sur l'établissement d'un bureau de l'Organisation à
Colombo. Signé à Colombo le 21 mars 1988**

Textes authentiques : anglais et cinghalais.

Enregistré par l'Organisation internationale du Travail le 10 juillet 1988.

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OFFICE OF THE ORGANISATION IN COLOMBO

Whereas the International Labour Organisation has decided to establish an office of the International Labour Organisation in Colombo;

Whereas the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has informed the International Labour Organisation of its readiness to grant the necessary facilities to that office;

The International Labour Organisation and the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Government will afford every assistance within its powers in securing the necessary facilities for the establishment of the office of the International Labour Organisation in Colombo.

Article 2

1. The Government will grant the privileges and immunities provided for in the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialised Agencies of 21 November, 1947,² and in its Annex of 10 July 1948, relating to the International Labour Organisation,³ to the office of the International Labour Organisation in Colombo, to the staff of such office as well as to any persons mentioned in the Convention or in its above-mentioned Annex, whenever they go on official business to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

2. The Government will grant to the office of the International Labour Organisation in Colombo, and to all persons referred to in paragraph 1 above, privileges and immunities no less favourable than those granted to any other inter-governmental organisation and its staff in the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Article 3

The Government will facilitate the entry into, sojourn in, and departure from the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka of all persons having official business with the office of the International Labour Organisation.

Article 4

The Government shall endeavour to afford to the International Labour Organisation every assistance within its power in securing appropriate office accommoda-

¹ Came into force on 22 July 1988, i.e., the thirtieth day following the date of the last of the notifications by which the Contracting Parties had informed each other of the completion of the required procedures, in accordance with article 5 (2).

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 33, p. 261. For the final and revised texts of annexes published subsequently, see vol. 71, p. 318; vol. 79, p. 326; vol. 117, p. 386; vol. 275, p. 298; vol. 314, p. 308; vol. 323, p. 364; vol. 327, p. 326; vol. 371, p. 266; vol. 423, p. 284; vol. 559, p. 348; vol. 645, p. 340; vol. 1057, p. 320, and vol. 1060, p. 337.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. 33, p. 290.

tion, and in securing and providing free of charge necessary utilities and services in accordance with its practice with respect to other agencies of the United Nations with representation in Sri Lanka.

Article 5

1. This Agreement may be modified by mutual agreement. Such modification shall be by an exchange of notes.

2. Each Contracting Party shall notify the other Contracting Party of the fulfilment of its internal legal procedures required for the bringing into force of this Agreement. This Agreement shall enter into force on the 30th day from the date of the last notification.

3. This Agreement will remain in force so long as the International Labour Organisation will have an office in the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. Consultations with respect to the modification or termination of the Agreement shall be convened at the request of either Contracting Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorised, have signed this Agreement at Colombo this 21st day of March 1988 in two originals in the Sinhala and English languages both texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence of interpretation the English text shall prevail.

For the International
Labour Organisation:

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Government
of the Democratic Socialist
Republic of Sri Lanka:

[Signed — Signé]²

¹ Signed by Stanley G. Taylor — Signé par Stanley G. Taylor.

² Signed by W. T. Jayasinghe — Signé par W. T. Jayasinghe.