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SECOND ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Effect to be given to the recommendations of sectoral meetings

(b) Tripartite Meeting on the Future of Employment in the Tobacco Sector

(Geneva, 24-28 February 2003)

- **1.** The Tripartite Meeting on the Future of Employment in the Tobacco Sector was held in Geneva from 24 to 28 February 2003, chaired by Mr. Tomasz Wojcik, Worker member of the Governing Body.
- **2.** The Meeting considered a report prepared by the International Labour Office, ¹ and adopted a set of conclusions on the future of employment in the tobacco sector as well as five resolutions concerning:
 - (i) strengthening institutional links between international organizations working on issues relevant to the tobacco sector:
 - (ii) fundamental principles and rights at work in the tobacco sector;
 - (iii) employment of women in the tobacco sector;
 - (iv) future activities of the ILO in the tobacco sector;
 - (v) child labour in the tobacco sector.
- **3.** These texts, together with a summary of the proceedings of the Meeting, appear in the *Note on the Proceedings*, which is appended to the present paper. ² In addition to the resolution on the future activities of the ILO, paragraph 16 of the conclusions and the operative paragraphs in each of the five resolutions call for action by the ILO.

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¹ TMETS/2003.

² TMETS/2003/15.

- 4. The Committee on Sectoral and Technical Meetings and Related Issues may wish to recommend that the Governing Body authorize the Director-General to communicate the Note on the Proceedings containing the texts mentioned in paragraph 3 above:
 - (a) to governments, requesting them to communicate these texts to the employers' and workers' organizations concerned;
 - (b) to the international employers' and workers' organizations concerned;
 - (c) to the other international organizations concerned.
- 5. The Committee on Sectoral and Technical Meetings and Related Issues may wish to recommend that the Governing Body request the Director-General to bear in mind, when drawing up proposals for the future work of the Office, the wishes expressed by the Meeting in Paragraph 16 of the conclusions and in the relevant parts of the resolutions.

Geneva, 31 July 2003.

Points for decision: Paragraph 4;

Paragraph 5.

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