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SIXTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Report of the Tripartite Meeting of Experts to Develop Joint ILO/WHO Guidelines on Health Services and HIV/AIDS

(Geneva, 19-21 April 2005)

- **1.** The Tripartite Meeting of Experts to Develop Joint ILO/WHO Guidelines on Health Services and HIV/AIDS was held in Geneva from 19 to 21 April 2005, chaired by Dr. Lester Wright (Government, United States).
- 2. The Meeting was attended by Government experts from Cameroon, Chile, Indonesia, and the Russian Federation, as well as five Employer and five Worker experts. A Government representative from Morocco attended as an observer, as did a representative of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. Representatives from the following international non-governmental organizations also attended as observers: the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions; the International Co-operative Alliance; the International Council of Nurses; the International Organisation of Employers; the International Pharmaceutical Federation; Public Services International; the World Confederation of Labour; and the World Economic Forum Global Health Initiative.
- **3.** The agenda of the Meeting as approved by the Governing Body at its 290th (June 2004) Session was as follows: to develop joint ILO/WHO guidelines on health services and HIV/AIDS.
- **4.** The Meeting considered draft guidelines jointly prepared by the International Labour Office and the World Health Organization. ¹
- **5.** It unanimously adopted the revised draft Joint ILO/WHO guidelines on health services and HIV/AIDS ² and the report of the discussion, ³ which are distributed with the present paper. Paragraph 122 of the report points to suggested follow-up activities in promoting the Joint ILO/WHO guidelines by the two Organizations.

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¹ TMEHS/2005.

² TMEHS/2005/8.

³ TMEHS/2005/7.

6. The Governing Body may wish to:

- (a) take note of the report of the Tripartite Meeting of Experts and to authorize the Director-General to publish the joint ILO/WHO guidelines on health services and HIV/AIDS;
- (b) 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 the recommendations for follow-up action by the ILO.

Geneva, 11 May 2005.

Point for decision: Paragraph 6.

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