



THIRD ITEM ON THE AGENDA

**Effect to be given to the
recommendations of sectoral
and technical meetings****(a) Tripartite Meeting on Promoting Fair
Globalization in Textiles and Clothing
in a Post-MFA Environment
(Geneva, 24-26 October 2005)**

1. The Tripartite Meeting on Promoting Fair Globalization in Textiles and Clothing in a Post-MFA Environment was held in Geneva from 24-26 October 2005, and was chaired by Mr. Jean-Jacques Elmiger (Switzerland).
2. The Meeting was attended by Government representatives from the 15 invited member States (Bangladesh, Brazil, Cambodia, China, France, Haiti, India, Kenya, Lesotho, Mexico, Morocco, Philippines, Romania, Turkey and the United States), 15 Employer and 15 Worker representatives. The Meeting was also attended by Government observers (Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Egypt, Italy, Guatemala, Honduras, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mauritius, Panama, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, United Kingdom), representatives from the United Nations specialized agencies and other international organizations (European Commission, International Textiles and Clothing Bureau, International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, World Bank, World Trade Organization), and observers from the international non-governmental organizations (European Apparel and Textile Organization, European Trade Union Federation for Textiles, Clothing and Leather, International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, International Federation of Textile and Clothing, International Organisation of Employers, International Textile, Garment and Leather Workers' Federation, World Confederation of Labour).
3. The Meeting considered a report prepared by the International Labour Office (TMTC-PMFA/2005).
4. The output of the Meeting was a Chairperson's summary. During its presentation to the meeting and prior to its unanimous adoption, the Employers' group expressed a few reservations which were noted. The Chairperson's summary, together with a summary of the discussions during the Meeting, appear in the *Note on the proceedings*, which is

distributed with the present paper. Paragraphs 9-12, 16-17, 20-21, 25, 29 and 31 call on the ILO to engage in action aimed at promoting fair globalization in textiles and clothing in a post-MFA environment.

5. *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 4 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; and

(c) to the international organizations concerned.

6. *The Committee on Sectoral and Technical Meetings and Related Issues may also wish to recommend that the Governing Body requests 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 relevant paragraphs of the Chairperson's summary.*

Geneva, 10 January 2006.

Points for decision: Paragraph 5;
Paragraph 6.