



## **FOR INFORMATION**

### FIRST ITEM ON THE AGENDA

## **Premises for the ILO Office in Dar es Salaam**

1. In the report of the Programme, Financial and Administrative Committee at the 295th Session of the Governing Body in March 2006 (document GB.295/9/1), the Chairperson of the Building Subcommittee, speaking on behalf of that Subcommittee, stated that:

Construction in Dar es Salaam was due to be completed in the summer, within budget, and with only a slight delay arising from shortage of construction materials.

2. In line with this objective, provisional acceptance of the building took place on 28 August 2006 and the list of unfinished work and corrections was signed by the contractor and all the parties concerned. It is planned that final acceptance will be conducted on 18 September 2006 by representatives of the ILO Office in Dar es Salaam, assisted by a local architect. It is also planned that the Office will then move to its new premises during the following week.
3. The two-month delay in regard to the initial construction schedule is due to a number of reasons, in particular major power and water cuts on site during construction and delays in the delivery of materials and supplies purchased outside the United Republic of Tanzania.<sup>1</sup>
4. As regards the cost of construction, it was kept within the budgetary allocation despite a considerable increase in the cost of certain materials, such as steel and cement, as well as a devaluation of the dollar affecting purchases made outside the United Republic of Tanzania. Other expenses, in particular for meeting the new MOSS security requirements, will be added to construction costs and will be financed as usual out of the regular budget.
5. The local architect maintained full control over the construction work and no accident occurred on site.

Geneva, 22 September 2006.

*Submitted for information.*

<sup>1</sup> GB.295/PFA/BS/1.