



The Director-General

22 June 2016

Dear Mr President,

As instructed by the 105th Session of the International Labour Conference (ILC) held in Geneva from 30 May to 10 June 2016, I am honored to transmit herewith the resolution on **Advancing Social Justice through Decent Work** adopted by the Conference, as an additional intergovernmental and interstate input to inform the discussions of the 2016 High-level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development.

The 105th ILC assembled a record number of 5,982 delegates representing governments, employers and workers from 187 ILO member States to discuss key world of work issues. My Report to the Conference entitled *The End to Poverty Initiative: The ILO and the 2030 Agenda* examined the responsibilities and opportunities of the ILO and its constituents in supporting the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and ensuring that no one will be left behind, and was the basis for the discussions in the general plenary.

The resolution on **Advancing Social Justice through Decent Work** reaffirms the relevance of the ILO Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization (the Social Justice Declaration), 2008, in guiding the ILO response to the challenges related to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and in integrating decent work into national sustainable development strategies. It calls on the ILO to support member States and stakeholders in aligning Decent Work Country Programmes with national and regional sustainable development strategies as well as with UN national planning frameworks.

Furthermore, the resolution anticipates the possibility of recurrent discussion items in relation to the ILO's contribution to the thematic reviews and follow-up of the 2030 Agenda being included in the ILC's agenda. In particular, it requests the ILO to contribute to national, regional and global follow-up and review processes by providing inputs concerning decent work trends and indicators and participating in the preparation of global reports that will ultimately feed into the annual reviews by the HLPF. The resolution further underscores the need to strengthen the ILO's capacity and that of its constituents to enhance partnerships and contribute to the achievement of the decent work related goals of the 2030 Agenda.

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The resolution also requests the ILO Director-General to:

“communicate to the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, at its meeting in July 2016, and to relevant international and regional organizations and fora, the elements of the present resolution that are of particular relevance for the implementation of the components of the 2030 Agenda relating to the achievement of decent work.”, (para. 17. (c), (iv)).

Therefore, I would appreciate it if you could bring this important outcome of the Conference to the attention of the HLPF.

Should you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Guy Ryder". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G" and "R".

Guy Ryder

cc: Mr Wu Hongbo, UN Under-Secretary-General
for Economic and Social Affairs