Resolution concerning remaining measures on the subject of Myanmar adopted under article 33 of the ILO Constitution ¹

The General Conference of the International Labour Organization, meeting in Geneva at its 102nd Session, 2013,

Taking note of the resolution concerning the measures recommended by the Governing Body under article 33 of the ILO Constitution on the subject of Myanmar, adopted by the International Labour Conference at its 88th Session (May–June 2000) with a view to securing compliance by Myanmar with the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry that had been established to examine the observance by Myanmar of its obligation in respect of the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29) (the "2000 resolution"),

Taking note of the suspension for one year of the recommendation contained in paragraph 1(b) of the 2000 resolution with immediate effect pursuant to the resolution concerning the measures on the subject of Myanmar adopted under article 33 of the ILO Constitution, adopted by the International Labour Conference at its 101st Session (May–June 2012) (the "2012 resolution"),

Taking note of the information provided to the Conference by the International Labour Office, the Governing Body and the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar,

Encouraged with the progress made by Myanmar in compliance with the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), while noting that more remains to be done.

Considering that maintaining the remaining measures would no longer be necessary for the implementation of the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry;

- (a) decides that the measure enunciated in paragraph 1(a) of the 2000 resolution is discontinued;
- (b) decides also that the measure enunciated in paragraph 1(b) of the 2000 resolution is discontinued;
- (c) requests the Office and the Government to continue their commitment to the application of the 2007 Supplementary Understanding, the March 2012 MOU and associated action plans for the elimination of all forms of forced labour by 2015, in coordination with the social partners in Myanmar;
- (d) invites the Governing Body to review the situation in Myanmar on issues relating to ILO activities, including freedom of association, and the impact of foreign investment on decent working conditions in the country, and in this regard, request the Director-General to submit a report at the March Governing Body sessions until the elimination of forced labour;
- (e) calls upon Members, including employers' and workers' organizations, and international organizations to support the efforts of the Government, with the assistance of the ILO, to eliminate forced labour in Myanmar and to further social justice in the country, including by making available necessary financial resources;
- (f) requests again Members, including employers' and workers' organizations, and international organizations to continue to follow closely the situation and share with the ILO any information on the occurrence of forced labour in Myanmar.

¹ Adopted on 18 June 2013.