



SEVENTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Other questions**Modification of the title of the Tripartite Meeting on Restructuring of Civil Aviation: Consequences for Management and Personnel (Geneva, 21-25 January 2002)**

1. At its 279th Session (November 2000), the Governing Body decided that a Meeting on Restructuring of Civil Aviation: Consequences for Management and Personnel would be included in the programme of sectoral meetings for 2000-01. At its 280th Session (March 2001), the Governing Body decided that the purpose of the Meeting would be to exchange views on the subject, using a report prepared by the Office as the basis for its discussion; to adopt conclusions that include proposals for action by government, employers' and workers' organizations at the national level and by the ILO; to adopt a report on its discussions and that the Meeting may also adopt resolutions. The Office prepared a report containing information and an analysis of the situation as at 1 July 2001.
2. The events of 11 September 2001 have had a dramatic impact on the aviation industry and plunged it into a major crisis. For this reason the Office, following consultations with the social partners, considers that the title of the Meeting should be modified to take account of these developments. It therefore proposes that the Meeting should be entitled "Tripartite Meeting on Civil Aviation: Social and Safety Consequences of the Crisis Subsequent to 11 September 2001". The report prepared by the Office only reflects the situation in the industry as at 1 July. It is clear that its relevance in the light of these developments is of historical interest and provides background information on the state of the industry at a particular date. The Office proposes to prepare a new issues paper for discussion at the Meeting in January 2002. The Office also wishes to propose that, exceptionally, an open invitation be extended to all governments who may wish to attend the Meeting as observers in view of the fact that the list of governments invited to participate in the Meeting was drawn up prior to the events.¹ The purpose of the Meeting would be

¹ Regarding the member States invited to be represented, the Governing Body has approved an initial list as follows: Austria, Benin, Brazil, Canada, Czech Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, France, Kenya, Kiribati, Republic of Korea, Lebanon, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Sudan, United Kingdom, Venezuela, Zimbabwe; and a reserve list as follows: Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cambodia, Chile, China, Croatia, Finland, Guinea, Islamic Republic of Iran, Italy, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Malta, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia, Romania, Spain, Switzerland, Thailand.

modified to enable governments, employers and workers to discuss the consequences of the crisis facing the industry and, as appropriate, to provide guidance to governments, employers' and workers' organizations at the national level and to the ILO on ways to address them. The Meeting would adopt a report on its discussions and could make appropriate recommendations to the Governing Body in a format which would best respond to the circumstances.

3. *The Committee may wish to recommend to the Governing Body:*

- (a) to approve the change in title and the purpose of the Meeting as proposed in paragraph 2; and***
- (b) to invite the Director-General to extend an invitation to the governments of all ILO member States who may wish to attend the meeting as observers.***

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Point for decision: Paragraph 3.