

Committee on the Application of Standards

Date: 27 May 2025

Governments concerned are invited to submit written information on serious failure to report by 27 May 2025.

▶ Information on cases of serious failure to respect reporting and other standards-related obligations supplied by governments

Israel

Failure to supply information in reply to comments made by the Committee of Experts

The Government has provided the following written information.

We would like to clarify that any gaps in reporting were not the result of negligence or disregard, but rather stemmed from staffing constraints that temporarily affected our capacity to meet certain deadlines. For approximately a year and a half, the position of an ILO focal point within Israel's Ministry of Labor remained vacant, with interim staff making considerable efforts to maintain reporting duties under challenging circumstances. Since December 2024, Advocate Gedalia Haber has assumed the role of focal point, and is actively working to prioritize, consolidate, and streamline reporting processes while enhancing coordination with relevant stakeholders.

Despite these challenges, Israel has remained engaged and has submitted several reports in the recent period, as follows:

- In October 2023, Israel submitted a comprehensive set of reports on eight ratified Conventions: Conventions Nos 88, 94, 100, 111, 117, 122, 142 and 181.
- In the first quarter of 2024, a detailed report on unratified Conventions and Recommendations related to employment injury benefits, workmen's compensation (agriculture), and equality of treatment (accident compensation) was submitted and subsequently acknowledged in the Committee of Experts' General Survey "Achieving Comprehensive Employment Injury Protection".
- In December 2024, a detailed national report on occupational safety and health (OSH) in relation to Conventions Nos 155 and 187 (not yet ratified by Israel) was submitted. Israel's contribution was duly noted in the "Review of annual reports under the follow-up to the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (1998), as amended in 2022."
- At present, Israel is in the process of finalizing a report on the Employment and Decent Work for Peace and Resilience Recommendation, 2017 (No. 205). The preparation of this report

has required extensive consultation with several government ministries, agencies, stakeholders, and our social partners, in accordance with Israel's tripartite obligations under the Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)

As outlined in the Report of the Committee of Experts published on the ILO's International Labour Conference 2025 web page, as well as in the Office communications of 9 May 2025 and 11 March 2025, Israel currently has the following outstanding reporting obligations:

- Regular duty to report:
 - Ratified Conventions: Conventions Nos 1, 14, 19, 30, 87, 98, 102, 106, 136, 150, 160;
 - Unratified instruments: the Safe and Healthy Working Environment (Consequential Amendments) Convention, 2023 (No. 191), and Recommendation, 2023 (No. 207) and the Quality Apprenticeships Recommendation, 2023 (No. 208);
- Response to a direct request: Israel has been asked to submit specific reports on the following conventions: Conventions Nos 29, 81, 95, 105, 118, 138, 144, and 182.
- Additional direct requests: Furthermore, Israel notes that the Report of the Committee of Experts includes additional direct requests regarding six of the eight ratified conventions reported in October 2023: Conventions Nos 94, 100, 111, 117, 122, and 181. To the best of our knowledge, no separate formal communication regarding these additional requests has been received, and we are relying on the published report as the basis for identifying these obligations.

Altogether, this constitutes a backlog of 28 reporting obligations – a significant workload that requires thorough research, consultation with the social partners (as required under Convention No. 144), and careful preparation to ensure compliance with ILO standards. Israel remains fully committed to fulfilling these obligations in a timely and comprehensive manner. Should we require technical assistance or support from the Office in addressing this backlog, we will not hesitate to reach out.