

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

United Arab Emirates

Failure to submit instruments to the competent authorities

The Government has provided the following written information.

The Government wishes to express its full cooperation with the Committee and reiterates its commitment to fulfilling its obligations under the ILO Constitution, including the submission of instruments to the competent authorities, and the timely submission of reports on ratified Conventions. The Government would also like to take this opportunity to provide the following clarifications.

The ratification process of international Conventions in the United Arab Emirates requires submission to the Permanent Committee on Conventions, established under the Cabinet of Ministers pursuant to Cabinet Decision No. (24/2W) of 2021. This Committee is mandated to examine all international Conventions that the State may consider becoming a party to or ratifying, in order to assess their alignment with national legislative frameworks and strategic objectives, and to issue its Recommendations for the relevant authorities to take appropriate decisions and actions accordingly.

In this regard, the Government would like to inform the esteemed Committee, that the Conventions listed in the relevant report were submitted to the Committee's fifth meeting held on 22 October 2024. After a comprehensive examination of the Conventions and a comparison with the current national legislative framework, the Committee decided to defer ratifying these Conventions at the present time. The Committee reaffirmed the State's continued commitment to reviewing its national legislation and policies in light of all relevant international Conventions, and to working towards alignment between national legislation and international standards, in a manner that serves national interests and supports progress toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide context and reaffirm our ongoing efforts to enhance compliance with international labour standards and reporting obligations.