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## Resolution VI

### Resolution concerning organization, frequency and duration of the ICLS

The 18th International Conference of Labour Statisticians,

Recognizing the rapidly changing circumstances in labour markets of all States and the need for national statistical systems to effectively, consistently and quickly measure such changes,

Affirming the technical standard-setting role of the International Conferences of Labour Statisticians,

Aware of the competing demands on the time commitment of senior staff of national statistical systems as well as of employers' and workers' organizations,

Sensitive to the financial challenges of participation in the International Conference of Labour Statisticians as presently organized,

Cognizant of the recommendation of the United Nations Statistical Commission at its 39th Session in March 2008 to the International Conference of Labour Statisticians to review its method of operation, in particular the frequency and duration of its sessions,

Aware of the power that the Governing Body of the International Labour Office has pursuant to article 1 of the Standing Orders for International Conferences of Labour Statisticians;

Recommends to the Governing Body that:

- (i) the periodicity of the International Conferences of Labour Statisticians be every three years, starting with the 19th International Conference of Labour Statisticians that could be held in 2011;
- (ii) the duration of each Conference should be five working days;
- (iii) each Conference be guided by the work of tripartite meetings of experts and other expert groups of statisticians at international and regional levels in order to facilitate and increase the efficiency of its proceedings by reducing the time required to establish, revise or approve international standards in labour statistics;
- (iv) the number of items on the agenda of the Conference take into consideration its reduced duration and the complexity of topics to be discussed;
- (v) a stable source of financing of the Conferences be identified within the regular budget of the Organization;
- (vi) the present level of interpretation and translation services be maintained;
- (vii) the date of the Conference be determined, as far as possible, taking into account days of significance in member States.