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We, heads of State Labour Inspections of Commonwealth of Independent States (the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Tajikistan, Ukraine) and Mongolia, responsible for ensuring government measures to provide occupational safety and labour conditions complying with safety and health requirements, participating in the process of cooperation in the framework of Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), and representatives of International Labour Organization (ILO) and International Association of Labour Inspections (IALI),

Acknowledging the need to use new approaches consisting of integrated improvement of occupational safety and health requirements by means of ensuring safety and health at work, recognizing interests and special needs of women, men and other categories of workers in the broadest sense,

Have come together at the invitation and under the chairmanship of Director General of Federal Service on Labour and Employment, State Labour Inspector General of the Russian Federation Yury Gertsiy,

To declare creation of Regional Alliance of Labour Inspections of CIS and Mongolia (RALI of CIS and Mongolia):

We are committed to develop regional cooperation with the aim of ensuring the rights of every worker to safe and fair working conditions with due attention to interests of women, men and other categories of workers, including the rights to working conditions which meet the requirements of occupational safety and health, in order to protect rights of workers as an essential element of social policy.
We are convinced that meeting safety and health requirements is of utmost importance both for improvement of working conditions and for economic growth and prosperity of our states.

We express our willingness to develop cooperation processes among our Labour Inspections and other Regional Alliances with the assistance of the relevant international organizations and following the IALI principles and priorities of regional cooperation, applying ILO and IALI standards on provision of occupational safety and health and safe working conditions, relying on the provisions of the European Social Charter (revised), Strasbourg, May 3, 1996, and the Seoul Declaration, June 28, 2008.

We recognize that our success depends to a great extent on focusing our efforts on the following regional tasks:

- to ensure the priority of life and health protection at work;
- to create a system for identification and assessment of professional risks and for management of occupational safety and health in order to remove the risk of health damage or death at the workplace;
- to provide reliable information to workers about working conditions and safety at workplaces and about their due compensations and personal protective equipment;
- to ensure control over working conditions and safety at workplaces, over occupational health with due attention to special needs of women, men and other categories of workers, and over proper provision of workers with personal and collective protection and with medical and preventive nutrition;
- to provide measures for reducing risks of health damage caused by harmful and (or) dangerous work-related factors;
- to reduce the number of death and work-related injuries caused by accidents and occupational diseases;
- to increase investment in safe working conditions and occupational safety and health with due attention to special needs of women, men and other categories of employees, and in improvement of control in the field of labour;
to provide control over financing of measures aimed at improvement of occupational safety and health conditions in companies, including measures financed under economic incentives for employers;

to implement the ILO conventions to improve occupational safety and health in the CIS countries (the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Tajikistan, Ukraine) and Mongolia on the basis of national labour legislation.

In order to accomplish the above mentioned tasks, we are determined to pursue strategic partnership and take effective actions to:

develop regular regional cooperation through annual meetings under the aegis of RALI of CIS and Mongolia;

identify specific actions of RALI of CIS and Mongolia, related to increasing professionalism, promotion and development of partnerships in order to spread practical experience of ensuring safe working conditions;

provide labour inspectors with training in modern methods of inspection for the purpose of development and improvement of professional knowledge;

develop and adopt ethical norms for labour inspectors in accordance with the Code of Ethics approved by IALI;

provide partnership in joint international projects;

create information data base of RALI of CIS and Mongolia with the aim to develop a unified information resource.

In order to further develop provisions of this Declaration as well as coordination and information exchange, we agree to make the necessary efforts and provide for the necessary resources to organize annual regional conferences of State Labour Inspections of CIS countries (the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Tajikistan, Ukraine) and Mongolia, and to ensure that each of the signatories exercise presidency functions of RALI of CIS and Mongolia on rotation basis for a period of one year or more. The next presiding
country will be appointed during the annual meeting in the framework of RALI of
CIS and Mongolia and the corresponding executive authority of the chosen country
will receive the functions of Executive Committee of RALI of CIS and Mongolia.

Our initiative is open to other Labour Inspections, wishing to join us and sharing our goals.

Moscow, June 10, 2011

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