



## SECOND ITEM ON THE AGENDA

**Date, place and agenda of the 96th Session (2007) of the International Labour Conference****Addendum**

1. As indicated in paragraph 7 of document GB.292/2, preliminary consultations have been initiated to determine if there would be an interest for the Office to prepare proposals as regards a possible item for the International Labour Conference “to consider whether and in what way the core missions of the ILO could be updated and reaffirmed in the light of the concept of decent work, with a view to enhancing their relevance and impact in the current context of economic globalization”.
2. The Office has understood this mandate to mean that proposals should not be presented to the Governing Body unless and until consultations with the three groups (Governments, Employers and Workers) have established that there was a reasonable possibility that they would meet with a consensus.
3. As a first step, the Office had informal consultations with a number of Employers’ and Workers’ representatives on 10-11 February to establish if there was sufficient interest among their respective groups for the Office to start elaborating concrete proposals. It was clear from these consultations that the participants were not in a position to commit their respective groups for what obviously will be an exercise of some duration, especially as the Governing Body was about to be renewed. This meant, *a fortiori*, that it would be premature for them to attempt to have any common position on the subject.
4. However, they expressed parallel interest that the Office should explore further the idea between now and this year’s International Labour Conference. This implies consultations in particular with Government representatives. The aim would be that an active phase of consultations on possible concrete proposals could take place following the renewal of the Governing Body’s composition in June 2005. Possible concrete proposals would then be presented to the Governing Body in November 2005. The Office intends to proceed accordingly.

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