Resolution concerning port State control

The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having adopted the Work in Fishing Convention, 2007,

Considering that this Convention aims to establish a new pillar of international legislation for the fishing industry,

Mindful of the mandate of the Organization to promote decent work and living conditions,

Noting that sustainable development consists of three pillars: social, economic and environmental.

Noting Articles 43 and 44 of the adopted Convention, which provide for port State responsibilities and control under the terms of "no more favourable treatment",

Noting that the uniform and harmonized implementation of port State responsibilities in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Convention will contribute to the successful implementation of the Convention,

Considering that, given the global nature of the fishing industry, it is important for port State control officers to receive proper guidelines for the performance of their duties,

Recognizing the work done by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in this area, and the importance that the international community attaches to cooperation among international agencies;

Invites the Governing Body of the International Labour Office to convene a tripartite meeting of experts of the fishing sector to develop suitable guidance for port State control officers concerning the relevant provisions of the Work in Fishing Convention, 2007, and to request that the Office seek the technical expertise of the IMO and FAO and other relevant international bodies in this regard.

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