

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE

REPORT FORM
FOR THE
UNEMPLOYMENT CONVENTION, 1919 (No. 2)

The present report form is for the use of countries which have ratified the Convention. It has been approved by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, in accordance with article 22 of the ILO Constitution, which reads as follows: "Each of the Members agrees to make an annual report to the International Labour Office on the measures which it has taken to give effect to the provisions of Conventions to which it is a party. These reports shall be made in such form and shall contain such particulars as the Governing Body may request."

PRACTICAL GUIDANCE FOR DRAWING UP REPORTS

First reports

If this is your Government's first report following the entry into force of the Convention in your country, full information should be given on each of the provisions of the Convention and on each of the questions set out in the report form.

Subsequent reports

In subsequent reports, information need normally be given only on the following points:

(a) any new legislative or other measures affecting the application of the Convention;

(b) replies to the questions in the report form on the practical application of the Convention (for example, statistics, results of inspections, judicial or administrative decisions) and on the communication of copies of the report to the representative organisations of employers and workers and on any observations received from these organisations;

(c) replies to comments by supervisory bodies: the report must contain replies to any comments regarding the application of the Convention in your country which may have been addressed to your Government by the Committee of Experts or by the Conference Committee on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations.

Article 22 of the Constitution of the ILO

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I. Please give a list of the legislation and administrative regulations, etc., which apply the provisions of the Convention. Where this has not already been done, please forward copies of the said legislation, etc., to the International Labour Office with this report.

Please give any available information concerning the extent to which these laws and regulations have been enacted or modified to permit of, or as a result of, ratification.

II. Please indicate in detail for each of the following Articles of the Convention the provisions of the above-mentioned legislation and administrative regulations, etc., or other measures, under which each Article is applied.

If in your country ratification of the Convention gives the force of national law to its terms please indicate by virtue of what constitutional provisions the ratification has had this effect. Please also specify what action has been taken to make effective those provisions of the Convention which require a national authority to take certain specific steps for its implementation, such as measures to define the exact scope of the Convention and the extent to which advantage may be taken of permissive exceptions provided for in it, measures to draw the attention of the parties concerned to its provisions, and arrangements for adequate inspection and penalties.

If the Committee of Experts or the Conference Committee on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations has requested additional information or has made an observation on the measures adopted to apply the Convention, please supply the information asked for or indicate the action taken by your Government to settle the points in question.

Article 1

Each Member which ratifies this Convention shall communicate to the International Labour Office, at intervals as short as possible and not exceeding three months, all available information, statistical or otherwise, concerning unemployment, including reports on measures taken or contemplated to combat unemployment. Whenever practicable, the information shall be made available for such communication not later than three months after the end of the period to which it relates.

Please describe the action taken to give effect to this Article.

Article 2

1. Each Member which ratifies this Convention shall establish a system of free public employment agencies under the control of a central authority. Committees, which shall include representatives of employers and of workers, shall be appointed to advise on matters concerning the carrying on of these agencies.

2. Where both public and private free employment agencies exist, steps shall be taken to co-ordinate the operations of such agencies on a national scale.

3. The operations of the various national systems shall be co-ordinated by the International Labour Office in agreement with the countries concerned.

Please give a general account of the working of the system of free public employment agencies, stating how the committees referred to in paragraph 1 are constituted and appointed and what method is adopted for the choice of the employers' and workers' representatives. Please indicate, in particular, the number of free employment agencies set up, the number of applications for employment received, the number of vacancies notified, and the number of persons placed in employment, by such agencies.

If private free employment agencies exist, please describe the steps which have been taken to co-ordinate their operations with those of the public agencies on a national scale.

Please state the views of your Government on the means of securing the application of the last paragraph of Article 2, viz., co-ordination of the operations of the various national systems by the International Labour Office in agreement with the countries concerned.

Article 3

The Members of the International Labour Organisation which ratify this Convention and which have established systems of insurance against unemployment shall, upon terms being agreed between the Members concerned, make arrangements whereby workers belonging to one Member and working in the territory of another shall be admitted to the same rates of benefit of such insurance as those which obtain for the workers belonging to the latter.

If a system of insurance against unemployment is in existence in your country, please describe the arrangements made with other Members under this Article, forwarding the texts of such arrangements with the report, if they have not already been communicated to the International Labour Office.

Please supply information on any negotiations undertaken with other Members which have ratified the Convention with a view to making arrangements upon agreed terms as provided for in this Article, and on the progress of these negotiations.

Please state whether, in the absence of such arrangements, the legislation in force in your country provides for equality of treatment of national and foreign workers as regards unemployment insurance.

Please indicate the countries, if any, the nationals of which enjoy the equality of rights laid down by this Article.

III. Please state to what authority or authorities the application of the above-mentioned legislation and administrative regulations, etc., is entrusted, and by what methods application is supervised and enforced. In particular, please supply information on the organisation and working of inspection.

IV. Please state whether courts of law or other tribunals have given decisions involving questions of principle relating to the application of the Convention. If so, please supply the text of these decisions.

V. Please give a general appreciation of the manner in which the Convention is applied in your country, including, for instance, extracts from official reports and any other information bearing on the practical application of the Convention. In particular, please supply any information that you may consider desirable concerning the finding of employment for workers in theatrical undertakings. (This latter request is made in fulfilment of two decisions of the Governing Body, dated respectively 7 June and 10 October 1930, taken in conformity with a wish expressed by the Advisory Committee on Professional Workers.)

VI. Please indicate the representative organisations of employers and workers to which copies of the present report have been communicated in accordance with article 23, paragraph 2, of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation.¹ If copies of the report have not been communicated to representative organisations of employers and/or workers, or if they have been communicated to bodies other than such organisations, please supply information on any particular circumstances existing in your country which explain the procedure followed.

Please indicate whether you have received from the organisations of employers or workers concerned any observations, either of a general kind or in connection with the present or the previous report, regarding the practical application of the provisions of the Convention or the application of the legislation or other measures implementing the Convention. If so, please communicate a summary of the observations received, together with any comments that you consider useful.

¹ Article 23, paragraph 2, of the Constitution reads as follows: "Each Member shall communicate to the representative organisations recognised for the purpose of article 3 copies of the information and reports communicated to the Director-General in pursuance of articles 19 and 22."