

is satisfied that it will be properly utilized or considers it impracticable properly to control periodical payments. It shall, however, be an aim of policy to eliminate the system of lump-sum payments in favour of periodical payments.

Article 10

The provisions of Articles 8 and 9 shall, where appropriate, apply to workmen's compensation for occupational diseases.

Article 11

1. There shall be equality of treatment for national and foreign workers, in respect of workmen's compensation for accidents and occupational diseases.

2. Foreign workers who are entitled to workmen's compensation benefits and who are returning to their countries of origin shall be entitled to any compensation which would have been due to them if they had remained in the territory of employment. If benefit payments are periodical, they shall continue to receive such benefits or be granted a lump sum in lieu thereof.

Article 12

1. It shall be an aim of policy, in areas where substantial numbers of the workers normally earn their living by wage-earning, to introduce compulsory insurance for the protection of wage-earners and their dependants in cases of sickness and maternity, old age, death of the breadwinner, and unemployment. As soon as the necessary conditions for the operation of such insurance are present, arrangements to that end shall be inaugurated.

2. It shall be an aim of policy to provide, through compulsory sickness and maternity insurance, medical care for injured persons and their dependants, in so far as such care is not already provided as a free public service.

SECTION 4.—PLACING OF WORKERS

Article 13

1. Where employment or migration is on a sufficient scale, provision shall be made for a system of free public employment offices.

2. Where the nature of labour migration so requires, properly equipped rest-houses shall be provided by the competent authority.

3. Any systems which may be operated by associations of employers or of organized workers for the placing of workers and for their welfare during journeys to and from employment shall be without cost to the workers and under the close supervision of the competent authority.

SECTION 5.—HOURS AND HOLIDAYS

Article 14

1. The maximum hours of work in industrial and commercial undertakings shall be fixed by the competent authority.

2. So far as practicable, the maximum hours of work in agricultural undertakings shall be fixed by the competent authority.

3. The reports communicated to the International Labour Office in accordance with paragraph 2 of this Recommendation shall contain full information concerning the measures taken to regulate hours, including information on the limits of the hours prescribed, any provisions for minimum periods of unbroken rest, any special limitations for unhealthy, dangerous, or onerous operations, any special arrangements for particular operations, any exceptions permitted for seasonal employment, and the methods of application of the regulations.