

1. The Conference invites the governing body of the International Labour Office to appoint, as soon as possible, and to convene without delay, an international Public Works Committee, the duties of which should be more particularly—

- (a) To prepare and periodically to revise the uniform plan referred to in paragraph 2 of the Recommendation on international co-operation concerning public works ;
- (b) To study every year the information gathered by the International Labour Office either as a result of the Recommendation referred to above or in any other way ;
- (c) To make reports on this subject to the governing body of the International Labour Office, with a view to their transmission to the members of the Organization ;
- (d) To undertake any other duties relating to public works which may be entrusted to it ;

2. Members which have declared themselves willing to give effect to the above-mentioned Recommendation should be invited to send representatives to the Committee.

The Committee should also include employers' and workers' representatives in equal numbers.

The governing body of the International Labour Office should invite representatives of the competent bodies of the League of Nations to participate in the work of the Committee, and might, in so far as it thinks fit, attach to the Committee representatives of international institutions or bodies concerned with this matter as well as national and international experts chosen for their special knowledge of the various aspects of the problem of public works.

APPENDIX 13.—MINIMUM AGE OF ADMISSION TO EMPLOYMENT.

DRAFT CONVENTION, INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT.

TEXT OF DRAFT REVISED CONVENTION CONCERNING THE MINIMUM AGE FOR ADMISSION TO INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT.

The General Conference of the International Labour Organization,

Having been convened at Geneva by the governing body of the International Labour Office, and having met in its Twenty-third Session on the 3rd June, 1937, and

Having decided upon the adoption of certain proposals with regard to the partial revision of the Convention fixing the minimum age for admission of children to industrial employment adopted by the Conference at its First Session, which is the sixth item on the Agenda of the session, and

Considering that the proposals must take the form of a Draft International Convention, adopts, this twenty-second day of June, of the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, the following Draft Convention, which may be cited as the Minimum Age (Industry) Convention (Revised), 1937—

PART I.—GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Article 1.

1. For the purpose of this Convention the term " industrial undertaking " includes particularly—

- (a) Mines, quarries, and other works for the extraction of minerals from the earth :
- (b) Industries in which articles are manufactured, altered, cleaned, repaired, ornamented, finished, adapted for sale, broken up or demolished, or in which materials are transformed, including shipbuilding, and the generation, transformation, and transmission of electricity and motive power of any kind.
- (c) Construction, reconstruction, maintenance, repair, alteration, or demolition of any building, railway, tramway, harbour, dock, pier, canal, inland waterway, road, tunnel, bridge, viaduct, sewer, drain, well, telegraphic or telephonic installation, electrical undertaking, gaswork, waterwork, or other work of construction, as well as the preparation for or laying the foundations of any such work or structure.
- (d) Transport of passengers or goods by road or rail or inland waterway, including the handling of goods at docks, quays, wharves, and warehouses, but excluding transport by hand.

2. The competent authority in each country shall define the line of division which separates industry from commerce and agriculture.

Article 2.

1. Children under the age of fifteen years shall not be employed or work in any public or private industrial undertaking, or in any branch thereof.

2. Provided that, except in the case of employments which, by their nature or the circumstances in which they are carried on, are dangerous to the life, health, or morals of the persons employed therein, national laws or regulations may permit such children to be employed in undertakings in which only members of the employer's family are employed.

Article 3.

The provisions of this Convention shall not apply to work done by children in technical schools, provided that such work is approved and supervised by public authority.

Article 4.

In order to facilitate the enforcement of the provisions of this Convention, every employer in an industrial undertaking shall be required to keep a register of all persons under the age of eighteen years employed by him, and of the dates of their births.