

**INSTRUMENTS ADOPTED BY THE ANNUAL LABOUR CONFERENCE OF THE
INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION FOR THE YEAR 2017**

The House of Representatives is being reminded that Member States of the International Labour Organization (ILO) are obliged under Article 19 of the ILO Constitution to inform their competent legislative authority of the Instruments adopted at the Annual Labour Conferences. The main purpose of this submission is to bring the Instruments before the authority or authorities within whose competence the matter lies for the enactment of legislation or other action.

As such, the House is being asked to take note of the Instrument adopted by the ILO at its 106th Session held June 2017 as discussed below. The ILO expects that in due course, the appropriate approach will be taken to give effect to the Recommendation in national legislation or otherwise. The Amendment discussed below is for the deliberation and consideration of the Parliament.

The Instrument listed is accompanied by a brief statement of its main provisions.

1. RECOMMENDATION 205: EMPLOYMENT AND DECENT WORK FOR PEACE AND RESILIENCE

This Recommendation is aimed at providing guidance on promoting peace, preventing crisis situations arising from conflicts and disasters and enabling recovery and building resilience; ensuring respect for all human rights and the rule of law, including respect for fundamental principles and rights at work.

- ii) promoting local economic recovery for employment and decent work opportunities and socio-economic reintegration;
 - iii) promoting sustainable employment; social protection and social inclusion; sustainable development and transition from the informal to the formal economy.
- c) Employment and Income-generation Opportunities which provides for Governments to adopt and implement a comprehensive and sustainable employment strategy to promote full, productive, freely chosen employment and income-generating opportunities through:
- i) employment-intensive investment strategies and programmes;
 - ii) local economic recovery and development initiatives with special focus on livelihoods in both rural and urban areas;
 - iii) the creation or restoration of an enabling environment for sustainable enterprise;
 - iv) supporting sustainable enterprises to ensure business continuity in order to maintain and expand the level of employment and enable the creation of new jobs.
- d) Rights, Equality and Non-discrimination designed to guard against discrimination arising from conflicts.
- e) Education, Vocational Training and Guidance which is aimed at preventing disruption of education or if disrupted that it is restored as soon as possible. Additionally, it provides for Government to formulate or adapt a national education, training, retraining and vocational guidance programme that assesses and responds to emerging skills.

II. Convention (60): The Minimum Age (Non-Industrial Employment) Convention
(Revised, 1937

It should be noted that the withdrawal and abrogation of a Convention does not require any action by Jamaica.

The Parliament is being asked to note the Instruments that were adopted, abrogated and withdrawn at the Annual Labour Conference held in 2017

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