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Proposed arrangements for the ILO regional meetings to be held during the trial period

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Honorable Chairperson,

The Government of Pakistan welcomes the proposed format for regional meetings during the trial period from 2025 to 2028. We are confident that this format will streamline discussions and foster enhanced regional collaboration while optimizing cost-effectiveness. By containing meeting duration to three days and concentrating on pertinent policy and technical topics, the proposed modalities aim to achieve better outcomes compared to the current format.

Pakistan extends its full support for the proposal to incorporate discussions on "just transitions" and "climate action" during the regional meetings, emphasizing climate-induced migration and human-centered development. Furthermore, we advocate for prioritizing investment in skills and green jobs aligning with Pakistan's unwavering commitment to sustainable development goals. These focused thematic sessions are envisioned to foster substantive exchanges and bolster regional collaboration efforts, thereby enhancing economic prosperity and nurturing regional peace. In addition, we emphasize the importance of retaining discussions on the promotion of the Tripartite Declaration on Multinational Enterprises within the thematic areas of the regional meetings, underscoring its significance in advancing labor rights and corporate responsibility across regions.

The Government of Pakistan looks forward to benefiting from the proposed arrangements for regional meetings, enhancing its contribution to key regional issues concerning economic prosperity and regional peace. We appreciate the efforts to ensure efficient governance functions while maintaining tripartite ownership and flexibility within the proposed framework. Pakistan stands ready to actively engage in discussions and collaborate with regional partners to address shared challenges and opportunities.

With this, we support the draft decision.

I thank you.

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