
Conclusions on item GB.301/17/4: Measures taken by the Government of Belarus to implement the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry established to examine the observance of the Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), and the Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98)

The Governing Body takes note of the information contained in the statement of the Minister of Labour. It also takes note of all other statements made in this discussion, and allegations that harassment and violations of trade union rights continue despite the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry.

The Governing Body deeply regrets that no specific progress has been made towards the implementation of those recommendations since its last review of this question in November 2007 and urges the Government of Belarus to ensure that workers' and employers' organizations can carry out their activities in full freedom.

As it is highly probable that the situation in Belarus will be further discussed at the Conference, the Governing Body urges that national tripartite action towards solving the problems identified by the Commission of Inquiry takes place and can be recorded at that stage.