



Governing Body

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FOR INFORMATION

Change of name of the Pan African Employers' Confederation to Business Africa

1. The Director-General has received a letter from Mr Azad Jeetun, Secretary-General of Business Africa, informing him that the Pan African Employers' Confederation had, at its General Assembly, held on 7 June 2012, decided to change its name to Business Africa. The letter was supported by proper documentation, including the minutes of the General Assembly and the amendments to the statutes of the organization. It further expressed the wish that the organization retain the general consultative status enjoyed by the Pan African Employers' Confederation under its new name.
2. The Pan African Employers' Confederation, which was established in 1986, was granted general consultative status by the Governing Body at its 235th Session (March 1987).¹
3. From the documentation attached to the abovementioned letter, Business Africa appears as legally identical with the Pan African Employers' Confederation. Therefore, Business Africa automatically enjoys the general consultative status granted to the Pan African Employers' Confederation unless and until the Governing Body decides otherwise.
4. In light of the above, the Officers of the Governing Body have confirmed that Business Africa enjoys the general consultative status previously enjoyed by the Pan African Employers' Confederation, with all the rights and obligations attached to that status.

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¹ See GB.235/17/19 and GB.235/PV(Rev.), p. IX/11.