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Matter: Withdrawal of the Submission of the representation of non-observance by Republic Slovenia of Convention C155 - Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981

Dear Mr Gilbert F. Hougbo, ILO Director-General

We wish to inform you that Association of Free Trade Unions of Slovenia (ZSSS) is withdrawing its submission of the representation of non-observance by Republic Slovenia of Convention C155 - Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981, submitted in November 2021 in accordance with the article 24 of ILO Constitution.

ZSSS as industrial association of Slovenian workers on 17 November 2021 submitted to ILO Director-General at the time Mr Guy Ryder the representation of non-observance by Republic Slovenia of Convention C155. Namely, since the Slovenian ratification of C155 in 1992 no procedure for the notification of non-asbestos occupational diseases and no annual statistics on non-asbestos occupational diseases had been established and applied by any competent Slovenian authority. On 25 March 2022 in the light of the information contained in document GB.344/INS/17/3, and taking into consideration the recommendation of its Officers, the Governing Body ILO decided that the representation was receivable and set up a tripartite committee to examine it. On 4 July 2022 the Government of Slovenia indicated its wish to engage in a conciliation procedure with ZSSS as complainant party.

As complainant party we are happy to report to you that conciliation ended with success as on 24 February 2023 the new Slovenian *Rules on Occupational Diseases* were published in Official Gazette of Republic Slovenia, No. 25/2023. The title in Slovenian is *Pravilnik o poklicnih boleznih*. The new Rules set out legally binding procedure on notification of non-asbestos occupational diseases and their register and annual statistics. The Rules entered into force on 25 February 2023 but shall apply from 1 May 2023 on. We, therefore, wish to withdraw our representation of non-observance by Republic Slovenia of C155.

We would like to convey to you our appreciation of the help and guidance received from Ms Corinne Vargha, Director of the International Labour Standards Department, ILO and her team.

Regards,

Lidija Jerkič, President ZSSS

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lidija Jerkič", is written over the typed name.