

No. 3915

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

Convention (No. 47) concerning the Reduction of Hours of Work to Forty a Week, adopted by the General Conference of the International Labour Organisation at its nineteenth session, Geneva, 22 June 1935, as modified by the Final Articles Revision Convention, 1946

Official texts: English and French.

Registered by the International Labour Organisation on 2 July 1957.

ORGANISATION INTERNATIONALE DU TRAVAIL

Convention (n° 47) concernant la réduction de la durée du travail à quarante heures par semaine, adoptée par la Conférence générale de l'Organisation internationale du Travail à sa dix-neuvième session, Genève, 22 juin 1935, telle qu'elle a été modifiée par la Convention portant revision des articles finals, 1946

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The General Conference of the International Labour Organisation,

Having met at Geneva in its Nineteenth Session on 4 June 1935,

Considering that the question of the reduction of hours of work is the sixth item on the agenda of the Session ;

Considering that unemployment has become so widespread and long continued that there are at the present time many millions of workers throughout the world suffering hardship and privation for which they are not themselves responsible and from which they are justly entitled to be relieved ;

Considering that it is desirable that workers should as far as practicable be enabled to share in the benefits of the rapid technical progress which is a characteristic of modern industry ; and

Considering that in pursuance of the Resolutions adopted by the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Sessions of the International Labour Conference it is necessary that a continuous effort should be made to reduce hours of work in all forms of employment to such extent as is possible ;

adopts this twenty-second day of June of the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five the following Convention, which may be cited as the Forty-Hour Week Convention, 1935 :

¹ In accordance with article 3, the Convention came into force on 23 June 1957, twelve months after the date on which ratifications of the following two members were registered with the Director-General of the International Labour Office :

	<i>Date of registration</i>
New Zealand	29 March 1938
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.	23 June 1956

The Convention has been subsequently ratified by the following members and these ratifications were registered with the Director-General of the International Labour Office as indicated below :

	<i>Date of registration</i>	<i>Effective date</i>
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	10 August 1956	10 August 1957
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	21 August 1956	21 August 1957