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## C161 Occupational Health Services Convention, 1985

Convention concerning Occupational Health Services (Note: Date of coming into force: 17:02:1988.)  
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 Place:Geneva  
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The General Conference of the International Labour Organisation,

Having been convened at Geneva by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, and having met in its Seventy-first Session on 7 June 1985, and

Noting that the protection of the worker against sickness, disease and injury arising out of his employment is one of the tasks assigned to the International Labour Organisation under its Constitution,

Noting the relevant international labour Conventions and Recommendations, and in particular the Protection of Workers' Health Recommendation, 1953, the Occupational Health Services Recommendation, 1959, the Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971, and the Occupational Safety and Health Convention and Recommendation, 1981, which establish the principles of national policy and action at the national level,

Having decided upon the adoption of certain proposals with regard to occupational health services, which is the fourth item on the agenda of the session, and

Having determined that these proposals shall take the form of an international Convention;

adopts the twenty-sixth day of June of the year one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five, the following Convention, which may be cited as the Occupational Health Services Convention, 1985:

Part I. Principles of National Policy

Article 1

For the purpose of this Convention-

(a) the term *occupational health services* means services entrusted with essentially preventive functions and responsible for advising