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## R171 Occupational Health Services Recommendation, 1985

RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES  
 Recommendation:R171  
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 Session of the Conference:71  
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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, and the Tripartite Declaration of Principles concerning Multinational Enterprises and Social Policy adopted by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office,

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 proposals shall take the form of a Recommendation supplementing the Occupational Health Services Convention, 1985:

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

### I. Principles of National Policy

1. Each Member should, in the light of national conditions and