

## Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the UN Geneva

## Statement

## 344<sup>th</sup>Session of the Governing Body of ILO Agenda Item INS/9 Report of Tripartite Working Group on Democratization (TWGD) Statement by Pakistan (22 March 2022)

## Chairperson and Co- Chairs of TWGD,

We align ourselves with the statement of Government Group and Asia and Pacific Group (ASPAG).

We are delivering this statement on behalf of China, Islamic Republic of Iran, Philippines and Pakistan.

We take this opportunity to commend the Co-Chairs of TWGD for the important contributions they have made in promoting democratization at the ILO.

Pending the achievement of entry into force of the 1986 Amendment to the ILO Constitution, continued attention and advocacy is essential to achieve the goal of democratization. We also welcome the TWGD to call upon Director General to promote the ratification process.

Similarly, we hope that TWGD will serve as a platform to address issuessuch as; multiple representation of some governments in the Screening Group, speaking rights of observer countries in their role as regional coordinators and Chairpersonship of the Government Group and representation of Government Group Chair among the GB Officers etc.

We look forward to a work plan of TWGD for this year to address all issues related to tripartite governance. We encourage further consultations on these matters including within the Government Group with a view to attaining the goal of full, equal, and democratic participation of all constituencies in the ILO governance structure. We urge TWGD to allocate more time and meetings to have in depth discussions.

With these words, we support the draft decision.

Thank you.