

MEMORANDUM TO CABINET BY THE HONOURABLE MINISTER OF
COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND THE
HONOURABLE MINISTER OF LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND WELFARE

Conventions and Recommendations adopted by the
International Labour Conference, June, 1966

At its 50th Session in June, 1966, the International Labour Conference adopted the following Conventions and Recommendations, (copies with Secretary to Cabinet)

1. Convention concerning fishermen's certificates of competency;
2. Convention concerning accommodation on board fishing vessels;
3. Recommendation concerning the vocational training of fishermen;
4. Recommendation concerning the Role of Co-operatives in the economic and social development of developing countries.

2. The first instrument sets down the technical knowledge required of the senior members of the crew of fishing vessels as also the requirements for the examination and issue of certificates of competency to skippers, mates and engineers.

3. The second instrument deals with the minimum space and structural requirements for the accommodation of the crew in certain classes of fishing vessels. The provisions of this Convention are not applicable to fishing vessels which already exist.

4. The Director of Agriculture considers that the two instruments do not affect adversely the local fishing industry and he is ready to take the necessary action to make effective the provisions of the various articles of both Conventions. Ratification of these instruments is, therefore, recommended.

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5. The third instrument is intended to provide training facilities for fishermen and specifies ways of planning, financing and setting standards for such training. Details of training programmes and methods of training are set down in the recommendation.

6. It is considered that the training being provided locally is in general adequate to the conditions prevailing in Malta and conforms to the provisions of the Recommendation.

7. The fourth instrument deals with the role which co-operatives can play in economic and social development. Its main sections deal with the objectives of policy concerning co-operatives and the methods of implementation such as legislation, education and training, financial and administrative aid, and supervision of co-operatives.

8. Local legislation, policy and practice, conform to the provisions of both Recommendations and no further action is required. Both Recommendations may therefore be adopted.

9. Honourable Ministers are invited to agree to the decisions at paragraphs 4 and 8 of this Memorandum.

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