



INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE.

Proposed action by the British Government
regarding the Draft Convention
and the Recommendation adopted by the
Conference at its Eighth Session,
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There were presented to Parliament in Cmd. 2745 (1926) the French and English texts of the draft convention and the recommendation adopted by the International Labour Conference at its Eighth Session (May-June, 1926).

At the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which the present paper is laid on the table of both Houses of Parliament, His Majesty's Government propose, in accordance with the provisions of Article 405 of the Treaty of Versailles, to proceed with the ratification of this draft convention and to accept the recommendation and to forward to the Secretary-General of the League of Nations a communication showing the action taken.

Details of the action proposed by His Majesty's Government in respect of the draft convention and recommendation are set out below.

His Majesty's Government propose to ratify the draft convention concerning the simplification of the inspection of emigrants on board ship which was adopted by the Eighth Session of the Conference. His Majesty's Government are advised that ratification will not involve any legislative or administrative changes.

His Majesty's Government are of opinion that the effectiveness of this draft convention would be much enhanced if the adhesion of the other principal maritime countries were secured, and they propose accordingly, in registering the ratification with the Secretariat of the League of Nations, to state that it will become effective only when the draft convention has been ratified by France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Norway and Spain.

His Majesty's Government propose to accept the recommendation concerning the protection of emigrant women and girls on board ship which is substantially in accord with existing practice.

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