Forced Labour Convention (1930) of the International Labour Organisation (ILO): matters related to social policy. Authorisation for Member States to ratify the 2014 Protocol

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The Committee on Employment and Social Affairs adopted by Patrick Le HYARIC (GUE/NGL, FR) on the draft Council decision authorising Member States to ratify, in the interests of the European Union, the Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930, of the International Labour Organisation with regard to matters related to social policy.

Members called on the European Parliament to give its consent to the draft Council decision.

They recalled that the Protocol's provisions strengthen the international legal framework by establishing obligations to prevent forced labour and to provide victims with protection and access to remedies, such as compensation.

The protocol calls on governments to take measures to better protect workers – particularly migrant workers – from abusive and fraudulent practices during the recruitment process.

In addition, it intends to protect human beings against forced work is prevention and remedies.

Consequently, Members proposed that Parliament give its consent to the Council's proposal for a decision.