

**Statement by Turkey  
on Agenda Item 172 (Observer status for the International Organization of  
Employers in the General Assembly)  
at the Sixth Committee**

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Mr. Chairman,

We would first of all like to thank the distinguished delegate of Germany for her detailed introduction of the draft resolution.

Mr. Chairman,

Turkey is one of the initial supporters and co-sponsors of the request for observer status in the General Assembly for the International Organization of Employers.

In this regard, we would like to take this opportunity to express our strong support for the draft resolution, which we believe will pave the way for a fruitful and mutually beneficial cooperation between the United Nations and the mentioned organizations.

As we just heard from the distinguished delegate of Germany, this organization, as an integral part of the tripartite structure of the International Labour Organization, has already demonstrated the unique and significant contributions that it is able and willing to make to the United Nations' efforts, especially those aimed at tackling some of the most important and urgent challenges that we face as the international community.

We hope that it will be accorded this important status, not only because it deserves such status, but also to ensure that the United Nations has the opportunity to benefit in a direct manner from its expertise and the global network that it represents.

In conclusion, we look forward to a positive outcome from this debate.

Thank you.