



Resolution on the review of the Jurisdictional set-up of the United Nations common system

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The 37th General Assembly of CCISUA,

Taking note of the proposals of the Working Group of the United Nations Legal Advisers networks on the Review of the Jurisdictional set-up of the United Nations common system, which was submitted by the Secretary-General to the 77th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in 2022,

Taking note of the report on the review of the jurisdictional set-up of the United Nations common system (A/77/222) adopted by the 77th session of the UNGA,

Emphasizing the importance of maintaining the current jurisdictional set-up with two tribunals, namely the United Nations Appeals Tribunal and the International Labour Organization Administrative Tribunal ("Tribunals"), which contribute in guaranteeing their independence,

Stressing the need to fully preserve the independence, impartiality, and effectiveness of the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) in carrying out its functions as stipulated in its Statute and Rules of Procedure,

Affirming that instances of divergent jurisprudence is not uncommon in any jurisdictional set-up and do not arise from the functioning, procedures, mechanisms or working methods of the ICSC,

Expressing concern with any proposal that may hinder the Tribunals in exercising their functions, delay internal justice proceedings or create challenges to the application of their rulings,

1. **Reiterates** the CCISUA concern that minimal evidence of divergent jurisprudence has resulted in proposals that would impact the independence of the tribunals as well as the authority and mandate of the ICSC;
2. **Reiterates** therefore its objection to the joint chamber proposal;
3. **Requests** the CCISUA Bureau to continue discussions among all relevant stakeholders, including Member States, involved in the review of the jurisdictional set-up of the United Nations common system.