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**Subject:** Contribution to draft Principles on Workers' Rights and Protection Against Exposure to Poisons and Other Hazardous Substances.

**Dear Sir**

**Greetings,**

With regards to your letter dated 18/12/2018 in which you called for contributions from member states concerning the draft Principles on Workers' Rights and Protection Against Exposure to Poisons and Other Hazardous Substances. The following are the Syrian government, Ministry of Local Administration and Environment observations on the relevant articles of the draft:

1- On Article No. 8: We propose adding the clause: Require employers to provide the chemical safety card for MSDS to familiarize workers with the nature and risks of the materials they deal with and to place hazard labels according to internationally approved risk classifications.

2- On Article No. 32: Possible remedies to be added to this paragraph “the use of the best available technologies and best environmental practices”.

3-- On Article No 42: We propose replacing the words "certain judicial systems" with "some judicial systems".

Please note as well that consideration of the relevant articles in the draft principles mentioned above are being undertaken by the ministry of Social Affairs and Labor and the Ministry of Justice.

Kind regards.

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