

Statement of Interpretation on Article 12§3

The provisions of Article 12, paragraph 3, by requiring Contracting Parties to undertake "to endeavour to raise progressively the system of social security to a higher level" indicate that after each two-year period of the Charter's application it should be possible to observe improvements on the previous situation, reflecting a gradual raising of the social security system of the country in question above the level required by International Labour Convention No. 102.