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Worker's Organizations That Submitted Comments to the Committee Concerning the Application of Japan's Forced Labor Convention (No. 29)

Edition /Period	Labor organization that gave an opinion	Issue	Information Obtained from the Organization/Key Matters in Bold
1996 83	The Osaka Fu Special English Teachers' Union	Gross human rights abuses and sexual abuse of women detained in so-called military "comfort stations" during wartime	Comfort women raised for the first time Compensation for Forced Labor
1997 85	Japanese Trade Union Confederation The Osaka Fu Special English Teachers' Union Federation of Korean Trade Unions	Gross human rights abuses and sexual abuse of women detained in so-called military "comfort stations" during wartime	Comfort Women: A UN Human Rights issue
1998 86	Federation of Korean Trade Unions Japanese Labour Unions		
1999 87	All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union Japanese Trade Union Confederation The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions The Osaka Fu Special English Teachers' Union Tokyo Local Council of Trade Unions	Wartime "comfort women" Wartime industrial forced labour	Chinese and Korean conscripted laborers raised for the first time Comfort Women: Criticism from the Asian Women's Fund (AWF); domestic court cases Forced Labor: 1946 MOFA Report
2000 88	All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union Federation of Korean Trade Unions The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Osaka Fu Special English Teachers' Union		
2001 89	Federation of Korean Trade Unions Japanese Trade Union Confederation The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Netherlands Trade Union Confederation Telecommunication Workers Union	Wartime "comfort women" Wartime industrial forced labour	Forced labor: compensation for slave laborers, domestic and international trials Comfort women: AWF; UN; domestic trials
2002 90	All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union	Wartime "comfort women" Wartime industrial forced labour	Forced labor: compensation for slave laborers; domestic and international trials

2003 91	All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions Tokyo Local Council of Trade Unions	Victims of wartime sexual slavery Wartime industrial forced labour	Comfort women: AWF; UN; domestic trials Forced labor: domestic trials; individual compensation claims
2004 92	The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions Tokyo Local Council of Trade Unions All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union	Military sexual slavery “comfort women” Wartime industrial forced labour	The 2003 Tripartite Committee at the Conference did not address the issue
2005 93	The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union Japanese Trade Union Confederation	Sexual slavery (so-called “comfort women”) Industrial slavery	Refused to take up the Committee's comments in the 2004 Tripartite Committee at the Conference Comfort women: domestic trials Forced labor: domestic trials
2006 95	The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union		
2007 96	The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union Tokyo Local Council of Trade Unions	Industrial forced labour Sexual slavery	Forced labour: trials in Japan and China Comfort women: domestic trials
2008 97	All Japan Seamen's Union All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union All Toyota Labor Union Federation of Korean Trade Unions The Confederation of Korean Trade Unions Heavy Industry Labor Union International Trade Union Confederation Japan Dockworkers Union Nagoya Branch Netherlands Trade Union Confederation Tokyo Local Council of Trade Unions	Military sexual slavery (so-called “comfort women”) Wartime industrial forced labour	Forced labour: domestic trial; trial in China Comfort women: domestic trials; statement by Prime Minister Abe

<p>2009 98</p>	<p>All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union Japan Dockworkers Union Nagoya Branch Federation of Korean Trade Unions The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Heavy Industry Labor Union International Trade Union Confederation □ Teacher's Union Nagoya Municipal High School Tokyo Local Council of Trade Unions Aichi Union Seibonoie Branch Japanese Trade Union Confederation</p>	<p>Wartime sexual slavery (so-called "comfort women") Industrial slavery</p>	<p>Forced labor: domestic trials Comfort women: UN, foreign resolutions; domestic local assembly report</p>
<p>2010 99</p>	<p>All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions Teacher's Union Nagoya Municipal High School Netherlands Trade Union Confederation</p>		
<p>2011 100</p>	<p>All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions International Trade Union Confederation Japanese Trade Union Confederation National Federation of Construction Engineering Workers' Unions of Japan Teacher's Union Nagoya Municipal High School Netherlands Trade Union Confederation Labor Union of Migrant Workers</p>	<p>Wartime industrial slavery Sexual slavery (so-called "comfort women") The Industrial Training and Technical Internship Programme ("Foreign Trainee" Programme) Trafficking in persons</p>	<p>The issues of the Industrial Training and Technical Internship Programme ("Foreign Trainee" Programme) and human trafficking raised for the first time Forced labor: domestic trials Comfort women: UN, local assembly report; domestic trials</p>
<p>2012 101</p>	<p>All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions National Confederation of Trade Unions Labor Union of Migrant Workers</p>		

2013 102	All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions National Confederation of Trade Unions Labor Union of Migrant Workers	Wartime industrial forced labour Sexual slavery (so-called “comfort women”) The Industrial Training and Technical Internship Programme (“Foreign Trainee” Programme) Trafficking in persons	Comfort women: AWF, 2011 Korean Constitutional Court decision; UN, local council report Forced labor: 2012 Korean Supreme Court decision
2014 103	Labor Union of Migrant Workers		
2015 104	All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union Labor Union of Migrant Workers		
2016 105	Japanese Trade Union Confederation All Japan Shipbuilding and Engineering Union Labor Union of Migrant Workers	Victims of wartime sexual slavery or industrial forced labour The Industrial Training and Technical Internship Programme (“Foreign Trainee” Programme)	Forced labor: 2012 Korea Supreme Court decision Comfort women: UN
2017 106	The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions Labor Union of Migrant Workers		
2018 107	Labor Union of Migrant Workers		
2019 108	The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions Japanese Trade Union Confederation	The Industrial Training and Technical Internship Programme (“Foreign Trainee” Programme) Comfort women	Japanese government denies forced mobilization of comfort women Comfort women: 2015 Japan-Korea agreement; South Korean court case
2020 109	The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions Federation of Korean Trade Unions		
2022 110	Labor Union of Migrant Workers		

< Supplementary Information on Workers’ Organizations

◆ Korean Workers’ Organizations

· The Korean Confederation of Trade Unions (KCTU)

19 industrial unions (including industrial organizations + Hyundai Group Council of Trade Unions, Daewoo Group Council of Trade Unions);968,000 members (2018).

· Federation of Korean Trade Unions (FKTU)

26 industrial organizations (5 industrial unions, 21 industrial organizations) as of September 2014; 933.000 members (2018).

◆ Japan Trade Union Confederation - Takes the position that the issue of comfort women and forced labor are not issues that should be discussed by the Committee.

◆ Netherlands Trade Union Confederation- Opinion on the issue of comfort women.

◆ Labor Union of Migrant Workers - Opinion on the “Foreign Trainee Program”.