THE AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS IS CONDUCTING A VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN IN SUPPORT OF TRADE UNION POLICY OF

EQUAL PAY FOR THE SEXES

As a First Step towards this Objective, the Trade Union Movement has Adopted the Principle of the 1951 I.L.O. Convention:

Equal Remuneration for Men and Women Workers for Work of Equal Value

This objective will be the subject of discussion and increased activity during 1961 by—

National EQUAL PAY Week, April 10-16, 1961

ACTIVITIES BY ALL A.C.T.U. STATE BRANCHES

and

EQUAL PAY SEMINAR, April 17 & 18, 1961

TRADES HALL, SYDNEY

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Your Active Support and Participation Can Bring Results

Justice Demands EQUAL PAY

The A.C.T.U. has led two deputations to the Menzies Government on Equal Pay. The first in 1957 with a petition containing over 60,000 signatures, and again in September, 1960, with demands for Equal Pay, and to give a practical lead, by granting Equal Pay to its own women employees.

A similar type of reply was received on both occasions, viz., that the Government considered this is a matter for the Courts, though it is not opposed to the principle.

Having regard to International obligations, this reply by a responsible Government cannot be accepted.

At Geneva in 1951, Government and Employer representatives abstained from voting on Convention No. 100 — EQUAL REMUNERATION FOR MEN AND WOMEN WORKERS FOR WORK OF EQUAL VALUE — but supported recommendation No. 90, the implementing document which accompanied the Convention.

All organisations are now called upon to intensify activity during the Equal Pay Week and participate in the Equal Pay Seminar in order to renew demands on the Federal Government to—

- Seek agreement by the various States for ratification or implementation of the terms of the Convention and recommendation.
- Grant Equal Pay to its own women employees.
- Make every effort to promote public understanding on the matter.

Demand Equal Pay
For Women Workers

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