

CONSTITUTION

OF

NEPALESE SOCIETY

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1 NAME

This Society shall be known as Nepalese Society (hereinafter referred to as the "Society").

2 DEFINITIONS

In this Constitution, unless otherwise stated or implied :

"Management Committee" mean the committee members elected at the AGM of the Society.

"Sub committee" means any sub-committee formed by the "Management Committee" to undertake certain activities listed under section "Sub Committees" under the direction of the "Management Committee".

"AGM" means an Annual General Meeting of the Society.

"EGM" means Extra-ordinary General Meeting of the Society.

"General Meeting" shall include both AGM and EGM.

"Members" shall include Ordinary, Life, Associate, Corporate and Honorary members

"Voting Members" means Ordinary and Life members.

"Approved Company Auditor" means a person or a company approved as a company auditor under Section 9 of the Companies Act (Cap. 50)

Words importing the singular include the plural and vice-versa and words importing a gender include every gender and references to person include bodies corporate or unincorporated.

Non Resident Nepalese (NRN) refers to both people of Nepali Origin who have acquired foreign citizenship and people of Nepali origin who currently hold Nepali passport but living outside Nepal,

Ethnic Nepalese refers to a person who, his/her father/mother or grandfather / grandmother is or was a Citizen of Nepal.

3 PLACE OF BUSINESS

Its place of business shall be at 10 Anson Road #10-11, International Plaza, Singapore 079903 or such other address as may subsequently be decided upon by the Management Committee and approved by the Registrar of Societies. The Society shall carry out its activities only in places and premises which have the prior written approval from the relevant authorities, where necessary.

4. OBJECTIVES

The objects of the Society are:

- 4.1 To promote and organize social, recreational, sport, welfare, cultural, and community-based activities for the members of the Society, and the Nepalese community in Singapore.
- 4.2 To promote, enhance and assist in the preservation and fostering of human relationship, bonding and understanding among members and the Nepalese community in Singapore.
- 4.3 To act as a source of information exchange (including the collection and dissemination of commercial statistics and information on trade, commerce, health, education and technology) among members and to provide the platform for contact with such similar organizations in Singapore and overseas with the view to create business opportunities for members of the Society.
- 4.4 To represent the Nepalese community of Singapore as the “Non Resident Nepalese (NRN)” in the Nepalese diasporas.
- 4.5 To subscribe to charitable and community activities, and to raise funds for the Society and victims of natural disasters, needy and the less fortunate.
- 4.6 To provide facilities/opportunities for the development of business synergies and communication networks among the members, the Nepalese community and other communities in Singapore and Nepal.
- 4.7 To acquire by purchase, lease, exchange or otherwise property of any tenure or description whatsoever in the Republic of Singapore or elsewhere and to make use of any such property for any purpose connected with the foregoing objects of the Society including leasing out or selling on any terms, part or parts of any such property for any purpose which shall be beneficial to the Society and its members.

5. MEMBERSHIP

5.1 Membership is classified into the following categories:-

- (a) Ordinary Members
- (b) Life members
- (c) Associate Members
- (d) Corporate Members
- (e) Honorary Members

5.2 Ordinary membership shall be opened to

- (a) Ethnic Nepalese with Singapore Citizenship,
- (b) Ethnic Nepalese with Singapore Permanent Residency,

(c) Ethnic Nepalese who are residents in Singapore with valid authorized pass (such as employment pass (EP), dependent pass (DP), student pass (SP), etc. Clause 6.2 applies thereafter.

(d). Spouse of Ethnic Nepalese with valid residency pass in Singapore shall qualify.

5.2.1 Persons working in any diplomatic mission are excluded from Ordinary Membership .

5.3 Life Membership shall be opened to;

(a) Ethnic Nepalese with Singapore Citizenship,

(b) Ethnic Nepalese with Singapore Permanent Residency,

(c) Ethnic Nepalese who are residents in Singapore with valid authorized pass (such as employment pass (EP) and dependent pass (DP), Clause 6.2 applies thereafter.

(d). Spouse of Ethnic Nepalese with valid residency pass in Singapore shall qualify.

5.4 Associate Membership shall be open to all Singapore Citizens or Singapore Permanent Residents irrespective of race or ethnic group and to Ethnic Nepalese with valid authorized pass (such as employment pass, dependent pass, student pass). Clause 6.2 applies thereafter. The number of the Associate Members shall at all times be limited to not more than 40% of the Ordinary Members.

5.5 Corporate Membership shall be open to all registered organizations in Singapore who wish to contribute to the Nepalese Society. The registered representative of the Corporate Member must be a Singapore Citizen, Permanent Resident or a resident in Singapore with valid authorized pass (such as employment pass). Clause 6.2 applies thereafter.

5.6 Honorary Membership may be conferred by the Management Committee on any Nepalese or Non-Nepalese who

(a) must be resident in Singapore or qualified as Singapore Citizen or Permanent Resident,

(b) is of outstanding personality and integrity, and

(c) has made extraordinary contribution to the Society.

The term of an Honorary Member shall be decided by the Management Committee but shall be limited to a period of 2 years.

5.7 Person aged 18 and above shall be accepted as member

5.8 Only ordinary and life members, who are 21 years of age and above excluding Honorary, Associate or Corporate members have rights to vote or hold office in the Society.

5.9. Persons below 18 years of age shall not be granted membership.

6 APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

6.1 Every application for Membership shall be on the prescribed form to be provided by the Society for the purpose. The applicant shall: -

- (a) Complete and sign the application form and submit the same to the Secretary of the Society;
 - (b) Every application must be proposed and seconded by the existing members of the Society; and
 - (c) Enclose payment for the entrance and annual subscription fees.
- 6.2 The Management Committee shall consider all applications for membership and shall reserve the right to approve or reject any application. No reason shall be given for any rejection.
- 6.3 Upon acceptance, the successful applicant shall be admitted as a member of the Society and he shall enjoy all rights and privileges attached to that respective membership.
- 6.4 A copy of the Constitution of the Society shall be furnished to every approved member.
- 6.5 The name of the approved member shall be entered in the Register of Members.
- 6.6 The Management Committee shall have the right to amend or waive compliance with or add to any of the conditions relating to Membership as it considers appropriate.

7 EXPULSION/SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP

- 7.1 The Management Committee shall have the power to expel any member who has infringed the rules and regulations of the Society or whose conduct in the opinion of the Management Committee is detrimental or prejudicial to the interests of the Society.
- 7.2 Before any such member is expelled, the member concerned shall be informed of the complaints(s) made against him/her and shall be given a maximum of fourteen days for him/her to submit his explanation and to show cause as to why s/he should not be expelled.
- 7.3 Thereafter, if necessary, the President may call on the member to attend a meeting for the purpose of answering the charges. The Management Committee may thereafter decide to expel the member, suspend him, or impose any penalty as appropriate. If the member refuses to respond to the charges, or fails to attend the meeting called without any good reason, the Management Committee shall proceed to decide on the penalty to be imposed and his membership may be terminated with immediate effect. The member being expelled may appeal to the general meeting of members whose decision shall be final.
- 7.4 A person expelled under the aforesaid rule shall not thereafter be eligible for membership of the Society.

8 CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

A member shall cease to be a member of the Society if she/he :-

- (a) has been adjudicated a bankrupt;
- (b) has become an enemy alien of Singapore;

- (c) has been expelled from the society
- (d) has been convicted of any serious criminal offence in Singapore (if a person is found to have committed criminal offence by Singapore Law, then he or she shall cease to be member of the society) or elsewhere;
- (e) has made false declaration in his application form when applying to be a member;
- (f) has failed to pay the annual subscription within the prescribed time;
- (g) has resigned or died;
- (h) has left Singapore to escape criminal proceedings; or
- (i) has ceased to be a resident of Singapore or has given up his Singapore citizenship or Permanent Residence status.

9 ENTRANCE FEES, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND OTHER DUES

9.1 SGD 25.00 is applicable for any type of membership application except for honorary membership.

9.2 Unless otherwise determined by the General Meeting on recommendation by the Management Committee, the annual subscriptions for the time being shall be fixed as follows: -

Ordinary Members - \$50.00

Life member - \$ 500.00

Associate Members - \$50.00

Corporate Members - \$500.00

Honorary Members - not applicable

9.3 Annual subscriptions shall be payable in advance at the time of application and within thirty (30) days from the date of renewal of the memberships. If a member falls into arrears with his/her subscription or other dues for less than 60 days of general meeting, the membership will be ceased automatically and not entitled for voting in general meeting. This provision will not be applied to life members.

9.4 Should a member resign before the expiry of his membership, no refund of annual subscription shall be made. This provision will be only applicable to ordinary members.

9.5 A member who falls into arrears with his subscription or other dues shall not be entitled to vote or be voted for any position at General Meetings. This provision will not be applicable to life members.

9.6 The membership is applicable for the calendar year 1 January to 31 December. There are no pro rata membership fees applicable. This provision will not be applicable to life members.

10 SUPREME AUTHORITY AND GENERAL MEETINGS

- 10.1 The supreme authority of the Society is vested in a General Meeting of the voting members.
- 10.2 The AGM of the Society shall be held before 30th June each year and members shall be notified minimum 45 days in advance
- 10.3 At other times, an EGM must be called by the President on the request in writing of not less than 25% of the total voting membership or 25 voting members, whichever is the lesser, and may be called at any time by order of the Management Committee. The notice in writing shall be given to the Secretary setting forth the business that is to be transacted. The EGM shall be convened within one month from receiving any request to convene the EGM
- 10.4 If the Management Committee does not within one month after the date of the receipt of written request proceed to convene an EGM, the voting members who requested for the EGM shall convene the EGM by giving 14 days notice to voting members setting forth the business to be transacted and simultaneously posting the particulars of the agenda on the Society's notice board at least four days in advance of the EGM.
- 10.5 At least 2 weeks' notice shall be given for all General Meetings of the Society. Notice of meeting stating the particulars of the agenda, date, time and place of the meeting shall be sent by the Secretary to all voting members.
- 10.6 Voting by proxy shall not be allowed at all General Meetings.
- 10.7 The following matters shall be considered at the AGM
- a. Present annual program with workplan and budget.
Approval and adoption of the minutes of the previous AGM,
 - b. Approval and adoption of the financial statement or audited financial statements;
 - c. Election of the committee members, where the term of appointment of the committee members is due to expire on the date of the AGM;
 - d. Appointment of Honorary Auditors (and approved company auditor, if necessary), where the term of appointment of the Honorary Auditors (and approved company auditor if previously appointed) is due to expire on the date of such AGM; and
 - e. Any other matters for which appropriate notice has been given by the voting members.
- 10.8 Any voting member who wishes to place an item on the agenda of General Meeting may do so provided he gives notice to the Secretary one week before the meeting is due to be held.
- 10.9 At least 30% of the total voting membership, or 35 voting members, whichever is the lesser, present at a General Meeting shall form a quorum. Proxies shall not be constituted as part of the quorum. In the event of there being no quorum at the commencement of a General Meeting, the meeting shall be adjourned for an hour and should the number then present be insufficient to form a quorum, those present shall be considered a quorum, but they shall have no power to amend any of the existing Constitution.

11 MANAGEMENT AND COMMITTEE

- 11.1 The management of the affairs of the Society shall be entrusted to the Management Committee consisting of the following to be elected at a general meeting

President

Vice-President

Secretary General

Treasurer

Secretary

Immediate Past President with voting right and ICC member with voting rights

Six (6) Ordinary Committee Members

Unless with the prior approval in writing of the Registrar or an Assistant Registrar of Societies, majority of the Committee Members shall be Singapore Citizens. In addition, the President, Secretary, Treasurer and their deputies shall be Singapore Citizens or Singapore Permanent Residents. Foreign Diplomats shall not serve as Committee Members.

- 11.2 The management committee shall be elected as per Rule 12 (Elections). All office-bearers, except the Treasurer, may be re-elected to the same or related post for **one** consecutive term of office.
- 11.3 The term of the Management Committee is two years.
- 11.4 Election shall be by secret ballot as per Rule 12.
- 11.5 The Management Committee must hold at least one meeting in each quarter. Each meeting shall be held only after seven days' notice in writing (email, letter and text message) has been given to the committee members. Majority of the committee members shall present to form a quorum.
- 11.6 Any member of the Management Committee absenting himself from three consecutive meetings without satisfactory explanations shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Management Committee and a successor may be co-opted by the Management Committee to serve until the relevant AGM at which the term of appointment of the Management Committee shall have expired.
- 11.7 Any change in the Management Committee shall be notified to the Registrar of Societies within two weeks of the change.
- 11.8 The duties of the Management Committee are:
- a. To act in good faith and in all respects to satisfy, protect and promote the interests of the Society;

- b. To organize and supervise the activities of the Society;
 - c. To make decisions on matters affecting the operations of the Society;
 - d. To formulate policies and programs under which the work and affairs of the Society shall be carried out;
 - e. To approve membership
 - f. To establish banking account(s) and the termination of the same from time to time.
 - g. To communicate and update about programs/progress/action to the members quarterly.
- 11.9 Notwithstanding the above, the Management Committee shall not act contrary to the expressed directions of the General Meeting without prior reference to it and always remains subordinate to the General Meeting.
- 11.10 The President, in consultation with the Treasurer and Secretary, shall be empowered to employ or relieve such full-time or part-time employees for the Society as she/he deems fit, and to define their duties and determine their remuneration.
- 11.11 The Management Committee may delegate any or all of the duties of any or all of the officer-bearers of the Management Committee to any or all of the employees or to appoint Sub-Committees and to delegate to such Sub-Committees such duties or powers as it deems fit or to out-source any or all of the administrative and secretarial functions of the Society to any professional firm.
- 11.12 The Management Committee shall have the power to invite any distinguished personality to be a Patron of the Society. The Patron of the Society shall not be entitled to any voting right.
- 11.13 Save for the provision as set out in Article 11.4, matters that require the approval of the Management Committee may be determined by circular resolutions signed by the majority of the committee members and such circular resolutions shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Management Committee duly called and constituted. Any such resolution may consist of several documents in like form, each signed by one or more of the committee members.
- 11.14 Subject to Article 11.15, the authority of the President and the Treasurer to approve the expenditures of the Society shall be limited to S\$500.00 per month for the express purpose of the Society.
- 11.15 Prior approval of the Management Committee shall be required for all expenditures of the Society which exceed \$500.00 per month for the express purpose of the Society.
- 11.16 Management committee must not hold more than \$500 dollars in form of cash and shall be deposited to the society's bank accounts,
- 11.17 All members of the Management Committee shall take oath as prescribed format and follow the Code of Conduct of the Society.

12 ELECTION

- 12.1 The Election Committee shall be formed by the Management Committee two months in advance of the general meeting where election is held.
- 12.2 The Election Committee shall consist of three (3) Committee members, one of whom would act as a Chairman. The Committee may nominate additional members to perform the election.
- 12.3 None of the Members of the Election Committee shall stand, lobby and campaign.
- 12.4 The responsibilities of the Election Committee are as follows:
- b) Notification of election shall be given to the members at least 30 days prior to election.
 - c) Receive the nomination at least 20 days before the election or general meeting date.
 - d) Election Committee shall examine the eligibility of candidates and publish the first list of candidates at least 15 days before election.
 - e) Withdrawal of candidacy shall be at least 8 days before election.
 - f) Election committee shall publish the final list of candidates at least seven days before the election with respect to 12.6.
 - g) No one shall perform any campaign, lobby and advertising and promotional activities in the general meeting venue on the day of election.
 - h) Election committee shall organize and perform other required election procedure with the help of existing management committee.
 - i) Supervise the balloting and counting of ballots
 - j) Announce the election results, and
 - k) Notify elected Management Committee members
 - l) Conduct Oath to the President. Oath of other management committee members shall be conducted by the President.

12.5 Candidates who wish to be elected to the Management Committee must

a. Application fees for the management committee shall be as follows

President – S\$1,000

Vice-President – \$500

Secretary General - \$500

Treasurer - \$400

Secretary - \$400

ICC member - \$200

Ordinary Committee Members - \$100

- b. Be nominated and seconded by Ordinary members of the Society (other than the candidate).
- c. Fill up the Nomination Form as prescribed by the Management Committee and submit to the Election Committee on the specified Nomination period.
- d. Be an Ordinary Member of the Society with membership of at least for three year preceding the date of election.
- e. Clause 12.5 (d) above may be waived by the Election Committee for a candidate who is Singapore Citizen, if there are not enough nominations from Singapore Citizens.

12.6 The Election shall be carried out in three stages:

- a. The First Stage: Voting members shall elect the office bearers of the Management Committee, namely the President, Vice President, Secretary General, Treasurer and Secretary.
- b. The Second Stage: The voting members shall elect only Singapore Citizens to ensure the majority of Singapore Citizens in the Management Committee. For example, if the total number of Singapore Citizens elected in the First Stage is four (4), then the second stage election shall be held to elect four (4) Singapore Citizens to the Management Committee.
- c. The Third Stage: The voting members shall elect remaining Management Committee members from the balance nominations.

13 DUTIES OF OFFICE-BEARERS

The duties of the office-bearers are as follows:-

- 13.1 The President shall preside at all General Meetings and the meetings of the Management Committee and shall be responsible for the general management and ensure the well being of the Society. He shall also represent the Society in its dealings with outside persons. He shall conduct Oath to the management committee members if necessary.
- 13.2 The Vice-President shall assist the President and deputize him in his absence. The Vice-President shall be responsible to coordinate policy, programs and budget.
- 13.3 The Secretary General shall be responsible for keeping and maintaining the register of members, all records, except financial, of the Society and minutes of all General and Committee Meetings. She/he shall also be authorized to sign all correspondences on behalf of the Management Committee and to submit all information and returns as may from time to time be required by the Registrar of Societies. It shall also be the

responsibility of the Secretary General to issue notice of all General Meetings and meetings of the Management Committee of the Society.

- 13.4 The Treasurer shall maintain all funds and collect and disburse all monies on behalf of the Society and shall keep an account of all monetary transactions and shall be responsible for their correctness, and shall cause such financial statement to be prepared promptly and circulated from time to time to the members of the Management Committee and the auditors. She/he shall also be responsible to issue notice to members whose subscriptions are in arrears or who are otherwise indebted to the Society for an inordinate length of time. He is authorized to spend such amount for petty cash expenses on behalf of the Society as may be determined by the Management Committee from time to time. He shall not keep more than S\$500/- in the form of cash, and money in excess of this will be deposited in a bank to be nominated by the Management Committee.
- 13.4.1 All cheques relevant to the banking account of the Society shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President only after the verification and approval of the expenses in a designated form by the President.
- 13.5 Secretary shall support Secretary General in maintaining office, shall communicate and share information with society's members. He or she shall support in preparation meeting minutes and recording and reporting of the society's activities.
- 13.6 The Ordinary Committee Members shall assist in the general administration of the Society, and perform duties assigned by the Management Committee from time to time and lead any of the sub committees as duly assigned by the management committee.

14 SUB COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

- a. The following sub-committees or councils shall be appointed by the Management Committee within one month of its election.
- b. Each sub committee must be chaired by one of the members of the Management Committee. Councils may be chaired by members outside the Management Committee.
- c. All members of the Sub Committees shall be selected from the Honorary, Ordinary, Associate or Corporate members. The Members of the Councils may also be selected from Non-members who are residents of Singapore.
- d. All members of the Sub Committee or Council shall be appointed by the President and the Chairperson of the Sub Committee or Council with approval from the Management Committee.
- e. The Management Committee has the right to dissolve any Sub Committee at any point of time if required.
- f. The term of a Sub Committee or Council shall be decided by the Management Committee, but shall be limited to the terms of the Management Committee.
- g. Any initiative of the sub-committee shall commence only after the approval of the Management Committee.

14.1 Non-Resident Nepalese National Co-ordination Committee (NRNA-NCC)

a. Management Committee shall form NRN-NCC under the chairmanship of the President of the Management Committee.

14.2 Social & Cultural Sub Committee

The sub-committee shall initiate and organize social activities to enhance bonding among members, such as family picnics, dinners, sports activities, festive gatherings, festive awareness camps .

14.3 Welfare Sub Committee

The sub-committee shall initiate welfare activities such as awareness campaigns, education campaigns, talk programs, trainings, charity campaigns, provide guidance and other assistance to the members of the Society.

14.4 IT, Media and Publications Sub Committee

The sub-committee shall take responsibility of the IT, media and publications related matters of the Society

14.5 Membership Sub Committee

The sub-committee shall initiate membership drive and publicity/marketing to recruit new members and to retain existing members .

14.6 Womens Sub Committee

The Sub Committee shall initiate and organise activities related to women and to enhance bonding among the women members of the Society .

14.7 Disciplinary Council

The council shall oversee disciplinary matters within the Society including the Management Committee, Sub Committees and members. The Council shall prepare, upkeep and recommend the code of conduct of the Society. The Council shall investigate and propose appropriate action in case of any complaints or charges against any of the members of the Society.

14.8 Advisory Council

The Council shall advise the Management Committee and Sub Committees from time to time on all matters related to the Society .

14.9 Other Sub Committees

The Management Committee may form any sub committee from time to time for special tasks or activities for a specific period of time. Such sub committees shall be formed under the chairmanship of one of the members of the Management Committee and shall comprise of members

selected from Ordinary, Honorary or Associate members. The size of such sub committees shall be determined by the management committee.

15 AUDIT AND FINANCIAL YEAR

15.1 Two voting members, not being members of the Management Committee, shall be elected as Honorary Auditors at the relevant AGM.

15.2 Honorary Auditors shall hold office for a term of one year only, and shall not be re-elected for consecutive term.

15.3 Apart from the annual audit of the financial statements of the Society, the Honorary Auditors may be required by the President to audit the Society's accounts for any period within their tenure of office at any date and make a report to the Management Committee.

15.4 Notwithstanding Section 14.1 through 14.3, the Management Committee shall appoint an approved company auditor to audit the annual financial statement of the Society if the gross income or expenditure of the Society exceeds \$500,000.00 in any financial year.

15.5 The financial year of the Society shall be from January to December of every year.

16 TRUSTEES

16.1 If the Society at any time acquires any immovable property, such property shall be vested in trustees subject to a declaration of trust.

16.2 The trustees of the Society shall:

- a. Not be more than four and not less than two in number.
- b. Be elected by a General Meeting of voting members.
- c. Not effect any sale or mortgage of property without the prior approval of the General Meeting of voting members.

16.3 The office of the trustee shall be vacated:

- a. If the trustee dies or becomes a lunatic or of unsound mind.
- b. If he is guilty of misconduct of such kind as to render it undesirable that he continues as a trustee.
- c. If he submits notice of resignation from his trusteeship.
- d. If he becomes a bankrupt or has been convicted of a serious criminal offence in Singapore or elsewhere.
- e. If he is absent from the Republic of Singapore for a period of more than one (1) year.

16.4 Notice of any proposal to remove a trustee from his trusteeship or to appoint a new trustee to fill a vacancy must be given by posting it on the notice board of the Society's premises or by

email at least two (2) weeks before the General Meeting at which the proposal is to be discussed. The result of such General Meeting shall then be notified to the Registrar of Societies.

16.5 The address of each immovable property, name of each trustee and any subsequent change must be notified to the Registrar of Societies.

17 (VISITORS AND GUESTS)

17.1 Visitors and guests may be admitted into the premises of the Society but they shall not be admitted into the privileges of the Society nor shall they be admitted into the premises more than six (6) times in a calendar year. These visits are to be confined to not more than once in fourteen (14) days.

17.2 A Visitors' Book shall be kept, in which shall be entered the names of all visitors and guests, together with the names and signatures of the members nominating them and the dates of their visits. No person shall be a visitor or guest till his name has been entered in this book.

18 PROHIBITIONS

18.1 Gambling of any kind, excluding the promotion or conduct of a private lottery which has been permitted under the Private Lotteries Act Cap. 250, is forbidden on the Society's premises. The introduction of materials for gambling or drug taking and of bad characters into the premises is prohibited.

18.2 The funds of the Society shall not be used to pay fines of officers or members who have been convicted in a court of law.

18.3 The Society shall not engage in any trade union activity as defined in any written law relating to trade unions for the time being in force in Singapore.

18.4 The Society shall not indulge in any political activity or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.

18.5 The Society shall not hold any lottery, whether confined to its members or not, in the name of the Society or its office-bearers, Management Committee or members unless with the prior approval of the relevant authorities.

18.6 The Society shall not raise funds from the public for whatever purposes without the prior approval in writing of the Assistant Director Operations, Licensing Division, Singapore Police Force and other relevant authorities.

19 AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

The Society shall not amend its Constitution without the prior approval in writing of the Registrar of Societies. No alteration or addition/deletion to this Constitution shall be passed except at a general meeting and with the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members present at the General Meeting.

No alteration or addition/deletion to this Constitution shall be made except at a General Meeting and with the consent of not less than two-third (2/3) majority of the voting members

present and having voted at the General Meeting, and they shall not come into force without the prior sanction of the Registrar of Societies. For the sake of clarity, the two-third (2/3) majority is calculated according to the votes which are cast by the voting members present at the General Meeting. Voting members present who do not vote are not counted.

20 (INTERPRETATIONS)

In the event of any question or matter pertaining to day-to-day administration which is not expressly provided for in this Constitution, the Management Committee shall have power to use their own discretion. The decision of the Management Committee shall be final unless it is reversed at a General Meeting of members.

21 DISPUTES

In the event of any dispute between members arising in the Society, the matter in dispute shall first be settled amicably between the disputing members. In the case where no amicable agreement can be reached between the disputing members, the Management Committee shall have powers to arbitrate the matter in dispute, failing which the matter in dispute will be referred to an EGM in accordance with this Constitution. Should the members fail to resolve the matter in dispute at the EGM, they may bring the matter to the court of law in Singapore for settlement.

22 DISSOLUTION

The Society shall not be dissolved unless with the consent of not less than three-fifth (3/5) of the total voting members of the Society for the time being resident in Singapore and expressed at a General Meeting convened for such purpose.

In the event of the Society being dissolved as provided above, all debts and liabilities legally incurred on behalf of the Society shall be fully discharged, and the remaining funds will be disposed of in such manner as the General Meeting of voting members may determine or donated to an approved charity or charities in Singapore. A Certification of Dissolution shall be given within seven (7) days of the dissolution to the Registrar of Societies.