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CHAPTER I. - GENERAL PROVISIONS

Art. 1 - NAME AND HEADQUARTERS

1.1 The trade name of the Confederation is:

Full trade name:

- a. in the state (Kyrgyz) language "АЗИЯЛЫК КИКБОКСИНГ БОЮНЧА КОНФЕДЕРАЦИЯСЫ" коомдук бирикмеси;
- b. in the official (Russian) language Общественное объединение АЗИАТСКАЯ КОНФЕДЕРАЦИЯ КИКБОКСИНГА";
- c. in a foreign (English) language "ASIAN KICKBOXING CONFEDERATION" Public Association.

Short trade name:

- d. in the state (Kyrgyz) language "АЗИЯЛЫК КИКБОКСИНГ БОЮНЧА КОНФЕДЕРАЦИЯСЫ" КБ;
- e. in the official (Russian) language ОО "АЗИАТСКАЯ КОНФЕДЕРАЦИЯ КИКБОКСИНГА";
- f. in a foreign (English) language "ASIAN KICKBOXING CONFEDERATION" PA.
- 1.2 "ASIAN KICKBOXING CONFEDERATION" Public Association (in short hereinafter the "AKC" or the "Confederation" known also as "WAKO ASIA") is a voluntary membership non-profit organization formed on the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic, uniting individuals, recognizing the provisions of the Statutes of the Confederation.
- 1.3 The Confederation founded on December 19th, 1996 in Bishkek and registered on February 20th, 1997 as confirmed by Ministry of Justice of the Kyrgyz Republic in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic with the registration number 70124-3300-OO.
- 1.4 The Confederation's activities are based on the principles of voluntariness, equality of members, self-government, legality and publicity.
- 1.5 The Confederation is free to define its internal structure, goals, forms and methods of its activities.
- 1.6 The Confederation operates in accordance with the Constitution of the Kyrgyz Republic, international treaties to which the Kyrgyz Republic, by the generally recognized principles and norms of international law, the Civil Code of the Kyrgyz Republic, the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On physical culture and sports", the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On non-profit organizations", other current regulatory legal acts of the Kyrgyz Republic and these Statutes.
- 1.7 The legal seat shall be located: 40, Togolok Moldo str., Bishkek, 720001, Kyrgyz Republic.
- 1.8 The administrative office shall be in the country of the President unless otherwise decided by the President and/or the Board of Directors. Confederation is a non-profit organization, composed of the Presidents of autonomous and independent Asian national federations and/or associations and other national organizations contributing to the sport of kickboxing (Mats Sports & Ring Sports) in their countries (hereinafter "National Member").
- 1.9 As an official Continental Confederation, it is recognized by the international association W.A.K.O. World Association of Kickboxing Organizations (hereinafter "WAKO") and carries out its activities autonomously and in compliance with WAKO Statutes, rules and procedures in all matters related to the sport of Kickboxing to the extent that it does not

contradict to the these Statutes and applicable law of Kyrgyz Republic, and rules and regulations of the competent sport authorities of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Art. 2 - OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The Confederation is a non-profit organization founded on the basis of individuals of voluntariness, self-governing organization with the common interest of the following objectives:
 - to promote, organize, regulate and popularize the Sport of Kickboxing in Asian continent, protecting the physical and mental health of the athletes and contributing to the development of friendly relationships among the members and defending the interests of the Sport of Kickboxing throughout Asian Continent;
 - 2. to assist its Members in strengthening their position as national leaders in the Sport of Kickboxing;
 - 3. to develop specific services for its Members and provide them with assistance, training and support;
 - 4. to increase the level of its recognition and its Members by the Olympic Council of Asia and the Olympic Movement stakeholders as well as by other entities involved in sport within Asian Continent;
 - 5. to approve, regulate and organize championships, tournaments, contests in Asian Continent between countries and large sporting events: Asian Championships, Asian cups, open international tournaments and other Asian Kickboxing Championships events in Asian Continent:
 - 6. to provide administrative and other appropriate support to its Members;
 - 7. to promote closer links among its Members in connection with the Sport of Kickboxing in Asian Continent;
 - 8. to promote youth development and education within its Members;
 - 9. to coordinate and protect the common interest of its Members to collect, collate and circulate information to and among its Members regarding the Sport of Kickboxing;
 - 10. to draw up regulations and provisions and ensure their adherence, application and enforcement among its Members;
 - 11. to promote integrity, ethics and fair play and prevent all methods or practices which might jeopardize the integrity of the Sport of Kickboxing;
 - 12. to make all possible efforts to increase inclusion of the Sport of Kickboxing in different Asian Olympic Games and accepted as a sport into the Asian University Games, and in all other Games of the Olympic circuit;
 - 13. to prevent all methods or practices which might jeopardize the integrity of Kickboxing Sport in Asia.

Art. 3 - NON-DISCRIMINATION, REPRESENTATION OF WOMEN

- 3.1 The Confederation and its Members reject all forms and means of discrimination against individuals, groups of people, organizations or countries of ethnic origin, gender, language, religion or politics.
- 3.2 The Confederation supports a fair representation of women in Kickboxing activities and in the management of the sport.

Art. 4 - OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

- 4.1 The official languages of the Confederation are English and Russian.
- 4.2 The representatives of the federations and/or associations which are Members of the Confederation can use their own language during meetings, provided they have a qualified Russian and English interpreter.

Art. 5 - MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 Confederation will accept as members only the Presidents of National Members which conduct their activities in their respective Asian countries contributing to the sport of Kickboxing (Mats Sports & Ring Sports).
- 5.2 Membership is available to any President of National Member in each Nation (hereinafter "Country") which groups together the National Member throughout such Asian Country and practices the Kickboxing Sport with respect of all Confederation's and WAKO's rules and regulations related to the sport of Kickboxing, its governance and organization. Membership is available to Presidents of National Members that are already members of WAKO in line with and compliant with these Statutes.
- 5.3 If in any relevant Country there is more than one of such Nation Member, the Board of Directors is entitled to decide at its discretion which Nation Member is eligible for the membership to the Confederation.
- 5.4 All Confederation's members are requested to abide with the provisions of the present Statutes as well as with all regulations of Confederation and of WAKO in what is concerning the rules of Sport of Kickboxing and in all matters regarding the sport of Kickboxing to the extent that it does not contradict to the Statutes of the Confederation and the applicable law of Kyrgyz Republic, and the rules and regulations of the competent sport authorities.
- 5.5 Any President of an Asian National Member, being a member of the Confederation, cannot be member of another Asian or Worldwide or international kickboxing federation and/or association except WAKO.
- 5.6 The Confederation can accept also individual members, but only in those countries where there is no existing National Member or the Confederation has not any representative.
- 5.7 Membership shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors which shall decide with a resolution taken with the majorities provided under these Statutes. The admission of a National Member is subject to ratification of the decision of the Board of Directors by the General Assembly.
- 5.8 The membership of the Confederation and its membership yearly fee is independent and fixed by the Board of Directors. The said fee is paid directly to the Confederation account as per-determined by the Confederation Board of Directors and or by the President.
- 5.9 Unless otherwise provided in these Statutes, the term "**Voting Members**" refers to the Full Members who have the right to vote in the General Assembly. The voting right of the National Members is defined by Article 22 Voting Right below of these Statutes.
- 5.10 The membership in the Confederation is terminated by resignation, by expulsion, or by ratification of the decision of the Board of Directors by the General Assembly.
- 5.11 The non-payment of the Confederation yearly fees or only other financial obligations dues for two years and/or the breach of the provisions of the Statutes can bring to expulsion in

accordance with Article 32.3 below.

5.12 The Confederation has two different kind of membership categories as defined in Article 6 of these Statutes.

Art. 6 - CATEGORIES OF MEMBERS

- 6.1 Provisional Members and Full Members are considered as the Confederation's Members in the present Statutes.
- 6.2 **Provisional Member**: a Member shall be considered as "Provisional Member" when the relevant application for membership has been accepted by the Board of Directors of the Confederation according to Articles 5.2 and 5.3 of the Statutes. Provisional membership will automatically expire 2 (two) years after the Board of Directors has granted it. The Board of Directors is empowered to award any extension to any provisional membership which has so expired.
- 6.3 **Full Member**: a Member shall be considered as a "Full Member" 2 (two) years after the admission of the Member as a Provisional Member as per Articles 5.2 and 5.3 of these Statutes.
- 6.4 The membership yearly fee for the Provisional and Full is determined by the Board of Directors of the Confederation.
- Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Member may immediately apply for Full Membership without having been previously admitted as a Provisional Member for a period of 2 years, if the National Member is recognized by the National Olympic Committee or the country's sports authorities, subject to payment of membership fees associated with such status, the submission of all relevant official documentation required by the Confederation, and the ratification of its membership by the General Assembly.

Art. 6.2 - ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

- 6.2.1 The National Member considered to be the national governing body for all styles of the Sport of Kickboxing in a specific country in Asia and recognized by the National Olympic Committee concerned or the country governmental sports authorities may apply for admission as Full or Provisional Member by the Confederation. If the National Member has not reached recognition by the National Olympic Committee or the country governmental sports authorities yet, it can only apply for admission as Provisional Member. The admission of the head of a National Member by the Confederation either as Provisional Member or Full Member will be processed in accordance with the rules set forth in these Statutes. National clubs of the National Members have no entitlement to be admitted. The reasons need to be given when refusing an application for admission.
- 6.2.2 Only 1 (one) representative of National Member per Country may be admitted as the member of the Confederation. A country is defined as an independent State entity recognized by the International Sports Community such as by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) and/or the International Olympic Committee (IOC). The area of jurisdiction of the National Member must coincide with the limits of the country which it represents. The name of the National Member must reflect the traditional name of such country and shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the Confederation.
- 6.2.3 The National Member's Statutes, rules and regulations must be adhering and remain compliant with the rules and principles set forth in the Confederation Statutes, rules and regulations. The National Member's Statutes shall explicitly refer to their membership to the Confederation and include an acceptance and submission to the Confederation's Statutes, rules and regulations as well as WAKO's Statutes, rules and regulations in all matters related to the sport of Kickboxing. National Member's Statutes shall be interpreted in a manner which conform to the Confederation's Statutes. They shall provide that in case

- of contradiction between the National Member's Statutes and the Confederation's Statutes, and regulations, the latter shall prevail.
- 6.2.4 In accordance with the principles set forth in the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic, the interference of state bodies or officials in the activities of the Confederation as "non-profit organizations", is not allowed, except in cases when it is provided by law.
- 6.2.5 In accordance with the principles set forth in Olympic Charter the Confederation Members shall be and remain independent from political influence. The President and the other members of the Board of Directors of the Members must be democratically elected. Governments or other public authorities shall not interfere in the elections. Representatives of such authorities may however be elected if such election is free and compliant with the provisions of these Statutes. The Board of Directors may take any appropriate decisions for the protection of theindependence of the Sport of Kickboxing in a country, including suspension or exclusion of the Member concerned, in case of governmental interference (through legislative measures or governmental act) putting the independence of the Member in question.
- 6.2.6 The admission of the representative of the National Member as a Full Member is subject to ratification of the decision of the Board of Directors by the General Assembly of the Confederation.

Art. 6.3. APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- 6.3.1 Applicants wishing to be admitted as Provisional Members or Full Members by the Confederation must pay the relevant application fee payment, which in the event of acceptance of the application will be applied as the first year's membership fee.
- 6.3.2 Membership must be firstly confirmed and approved by the Board of Directors of the Confederation. Membership is admissible for the Presidents of the National Members that are already recognized as WAKO's Members in the relevant Continent representatives of National Members subject to compliance with the provision of these Statutes.
- 6.3.3 The application shall include the following mandatory information/documentation of the applicant (if not in Russian and English, to be provided with a Russian and English certified translation) to be provided to the Administrative Office of the Confederation:
 - a. a valid identification of the representative of the applicant;
 - b. a copy of the statutes, regulations and directives of the applicant;
 - c. a chart of the applicant's organizational structure (including staff), with detailed explanations regarding the composition of its governing bodies, and a list of all its members:
 - d. information on the recognition of the National Member represented by the applicant by the National Olympic Committee and or Sport authority of the country concerned;
 - e. information about membership with WAKO;
 - f. information regarding the Sport of Kickboxing activities and relevant events organized by the National Member in the last two years;
 - g. a copy of the audited financial statements of the last two years;
 - h. declaration to accept, recognize and always comply with the Confederation Statutes as well as WAKO's Statutes, rules and regulations in all matters related to sport of Kickboxing as well as all directives and decisions, as adopted or resolved by the Board of Directors of the Confederation;
 - declaration to accept that any disputes have to be exclusively solved in accordance with Article 41 "Dispute Resolution" of these Statutes;

- j. any other document relevant in connection with the application and required by the Board of Directors.
- 6.3.4 The Board of Directors may issue from time-to-time other rules or guidelines in connection with the requirements for admission to (which, in any event, cannot derogate to the provisions of these Statutes), specifying the criteria for admission.
- 6.3.5 The payment of the application fee shall be in the form of a bank check or bank transfer and of such amount as specified by the Confederation. This payment must be effectively received before the admission procedure proceeds.
- 6.3.6 The decision of the Board of Directors of the Confederation regarding the admission shall be communicated in writing to the applicant by the President.
- 6.3.7 The admission is subject to subsequent ratification by the General Assembly of the Confederation.
- 6.3.8 The admission (ratified by the General Assembly) of a new Member shall be communicated to the Members and, for this purpose, notably published on the Confederation website.

Art. 7 - HONORARY MEMBERS

- 7.1 The General Assembly may, upon a proposal by the Board of Directors of the Confederation, grant the title of "Honorary President" or "Honorary Member" respectively to (i) a retiring President or (ii) a retiring Board of Directors member, for the outstanding services rendered to Confederation.
- 7.2 The Honorary President and the Honorary Member may attend the General Assembly and may join debates, but do not have any right to vote, nor any right of proposal for nomination.

Art. 8 - VOTING MEMBERS' RIGHTS

- 8.1 The Full Members are considerate as Voting Members subject to regular payment of their annual affiliation fees as well as any financial obligations toward Confederation and have the right:
 - a. to receive in advance the agenda of the General Assembly;
 - b. to be called to the General Assembly within the prescribed time;
 - c. to take part to the General Assembly and to exercise their right to vote;
 - d. to be informed of the activities and events of Confederation;
 - e. to call for an Extraordinary General Assembly;
 - f. to participate in voting and elections:
 - g. to propose items for consideration regarding the agenda of the General Assembly. Such proposals must be submitted to the Board of Directors through the Administrative Office of the Confederation no later than 45 days prior to the Ordinary General Assembly. Proposals supported by at least 5 Members entitled to vote have to be included in the agenda. Other proposals submitted by National Members are included in the agenda at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
 - h. to nominate candidates to the Presidency of the Confederation:
 - i. to nominate candidates for election to the Board of Directors of the Confederation;
 - j. to exercise any other right arising from these Statutes;
 - k. to participate in any Confederation Asian Championships, events and activities in territory of the Asian Continent.
- 8.2 The exercise of these rights by the Full members is subject to other provisions in these Statutes and the applicable regulations.
- 8.3 The Provisional Members are considered as Non-Voting Members. Subject to the payment of the affiliation fees as well as any financial obligations toward Confederation they have

the right:

- a. to receive the agenda of the General Assembly as provided in these Statutes;
- b. to be called to attend the General Assembly;
- c. to attend the General Assembly with no right to vote, nor to propose items for consideration, nor to nominate candidates for elections;
- d. to exercise any other right of Confederation Members arising from these Statutes and/or regulations (unless specifically reserved to Full Members);
- e. to participate in any Confederation events and activities in accordance with the applicable specific Competitions and activities Rules;
- f. to enjoy any further advantages and benefits provided to Confederation's Members (unless specifically reserved to Full Members).
- 8.4 The exercise of these rights by the Provisional Members is subject to other provisions in these Statutes and the applicable regulations.

Art. 9 - MEMBERS' OBLIGATIONS

- 9.1 All Members of the Confederation, including the Provisional Members, have the obligations to:
 - A. comply with these Statutes as well as any and all regulations, directives and decisions of Confederation bodies at any time and to comply with the decisions of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS);
 - B. have their executive bodies and disciplinary bodies elected by their respective general assembly;
 - C. notify the Confederation, in writing, of any modification in National Member's constitution/statutes, regulations and directives or of the inclusion of any new discipline/style to their national program;
 - D. recognize the Confederation and WAKO as exclusive organizations of reference for the sport of Kickboxing;
 - E. organize their national activities in connection with the Kickboxing Sport in a way which does not compete or contradict with the Confederation's or WAKO's activities
 - F. pay their membership affiliation fee regularly each year to the Confederation in connection with their respective membership status, as determined by the Board of Directors and approved by the General Assembly as detailed in the Fee Bylaw, no later than 31st of March of each year. If the membership fee is not paid by that date, a surcharge set by the Board of Directors of the Confederation will be applicable. If the payment is not made until December 31, a further surcharge as set by the Board of Directors of Confederation will be applicable;
 - G. participate regularly and actively in Asian Championships, Cup, tournament, and all events organize and conduct by the Confederation;
 - H. fully comply with all other duties arising from these Statutes and other regulations.
- 9.2 Moreover, each Member shall not:
 - I. be member of any other national, Continental or international kickboxing organization competing with the Confederation or WAKO (IF);
 - J. have among its members persons who are part of other national orinternational

- Kickboxing organizations competing with the Confederation and WAKO (IF);
- K. permit or allow its members to participate in any other national, Continental or international event(s) organized by kickboxing organizations competing with Confederation and WAKO(IF).

Art. 10 - REVISION OF MEMBERSHIP

- 10.1 In case of modifications of the statutes, rules, regulations and directives by a National Member, or the inclusion of new disciplines/style to its program, the Board of Directors is entitled to review the membership of such Member.
- 10.2 Any revision of the membership of a National Member by the Board of Directors which leads to a specific decision by the latter regarding the membership status of a Member, shall be promptly communicated in writing to the concerned National Member.

CHAPTER II - ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONFEDERATION

Art. 11 - BODIES

- 11.1 The bodies of the Confederation are the following:
 - A. the General Assembly (General meeting of members of the Confederation) is the supreme body of the Confederation;
 - B. the Board of Directors of the Confederation as the executive body;
 - C. the Administration (administrative staffs) as the administrative body;
 - D. the 5 (five) zones developments/coordinators officers as defined in defined by Article 28.1 Section E of these Statues.

Art. 12 - THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 12.1 The Board of Directors is the executive body of the Confederation consisting of minimum of 3 up to maximum of 13 Directors in total among whom at least 1 (one) preferably to be a woman to assure gender presentation and 1 (one) has to be representative of Athletes. The number of the members of the Board of Directors shall be set on proposal of the President at the General Assembly.
- 12.2 The Board of Directors shall be elected by the General Assembly through a vote for each single member. The members of the Board of Directors of the Confederation will stay in their position in duty at least for 4 calendar fiscal years and in case the electoral General Assembly cannot be held at the end of the fourth calendar year for any reason and/or for "force majeure" events (wars, turmoil, natural disasters, pandemic etc.) preventing the free circulation of the affiliated National Members, the election will be held at the next electoral General Assembly deciding for such resolution which shall be convened in due time in accordance with these Statutes as soon as the cause of "force majeure" event is ceased. The positions of the members of the Board of Directors can be renewed.
- 12.3 The members of the Board of Directors are the Presidents or representatives of National Members of the Confederation. However, the President of the Confederation may be a member of a Federation and/or Association which has already a member in the Board of Directors, reserve being made that in no case can a Federation and/or Association have more than two representatives on the Board of Directors.

- 12.4 The General Secretary is nominated by the Board of Directors upon proposal of the President and can be one of the previously elected members of the Board of Directors.
- 12.5 The Medical and Anti-Doping Committee is nominated by the Board of Directors and can be chaired by one of the previously elected members of the Board of Directors.

Art. 13 - THE PRESIDENT

- 13.1 Any president of a National Member or members of the Confederation can stand as candidate to the presidency of Confederation if:
 - A. he is a Full Member of the Confederation for the past 8 (eight) years;
 - B. has never occurred any Confederation's sanction or disqualification.
 - C. The candidature is submitted in writing to the Administrative Office at the latest 45 days prior to the relevant General Assembly.
- 13.2 The candidatures shall be communicated to all the Full Members at least 30 days before the relevant General Assembly. The Provisional Members and the Honorary Members are also informed of the candidatures.
- 13.3 During the election of the President, the out-going President shall, if seeking re- election, surrender the chair to the Vice-president. If the Vice-president is a candidate, an ad hoc chairman is appointed by the Electoral Commission, amongst its members.
- 13.4 The President, whether re-elected or newly elected, takes office immediately upon election and notably chairs the General Assembly.
- 13.5 The President of Confederation will be elected directly by the General Assembly by simple majority of votes of the voting Members for 4 years and until the next electoral General Assembly will take place.
- 13.6 The President of the Confederation will stay in his position in duty at least for 4 calendar fiscal years and in case the electoral General Assembly cannot be held forany reason and or "force majeure" (wars, turmoil, natural disasters, pandemic etc.) at the end of the fourth calendar year preventing the free circulation of the affiliated National Members, the election will take place at the next electoral General Assembly deciding for such resolution in accordance with Article 12.2 above. The position of the President can be renewed.
- 13.7 The President of the Confederation shall chair the General Assembly, the Board of Directors and manage the Headquarters office. He will represent the Confederation for all purposes within its legal existence and before the Courts.
- 13.8 The President is responsible and manages the Administration and oversees the day to day running of the Confederation.
- 13.9 The President represents and commits the Confederation towards third parties.
- 13.10 The President is authorized to make expenditures pursuant to the applicable provision and regulations of the Confederation.
- 13.11 The President shall not be entitled to a salary. He may receive an indemnity as decided by the Board of Directors of the Confederation and is entitled to reimbursement of the reasonable expenses incurred in performing his duties.

- 13.12 The President may delegate certain of his powers. In the absence of the President, the Confederation may be represented by a vice-president nominated by the President.
- 13.13 In any other case (withdrawal, unavailability to perform his functions, etc), the longest serving Vice President shall deputize until the President resumes his functions or, in the impossibility, until the Board of Directors appoints the acting "pro tempore" president as provided in article 16.3 below.
- 13.14 If the President is definitively unavailable a General Assembly having the election of a new president on its agenda shall be organized within 6 (six) months from the date the interim president has begun to exercise its functions of President ad interim. The so appointed new President will continue the mandate of the former President until expiration of the remaining duration of the previous mandate.
- 13.15 The President may choose a Secretary to help and assist him in the Confederation office.

Art. 14 - VICE PRESIDENTS

14.1 Vice-Presidents will be elected for 4 calendar years by the General Assembly assist the President and can replace him in case of absence until the Board of Directors designates an acting "pro tempore" president. The Confederation can have a maximum of two vice-presidents. The same provisions under article 12.2 shall apply mutatis mutandis to the Vice-Presidents.

Art. 15. ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

- 15.1 Full Members can present Confederation Individual Affiliates under their respective jurisdiction as candidates for positions in the Board of Directors, provided that:
 - i. they are Full Member of the Confederation since the last 2 (two) years;
 - ii. have taken part regularly to the Confederation Championships and activities and is up to date with all payments, financial obligations and documentation due to the Confederation at the time of the notice of the call of the General Assembly;
 - iii. the proposed candidates shall not be involved in any conflicting activity with the Confederation activities and any other competing organization active in kickboxing competing with the Confederation;
 - iv. the proposed candidate must have full legal capacity and must never have incurred any Confederation sanction, or disqualification and/or criminal conviction.
- 15.2 Employees of the Confederation or of the Confederation Members, either directly or through a company, for the duration of the employment and for the following 2 (two) years after the termination thereof for any reason cannot be President or directors; conversely, directors, becoming employees of Confederation or of Confederation Members will lose their position as President or directors.
- 15.3 All the candidatures for the position of director shall be exclusively submitted by Full Members in writing to the Confederation Administrative Office at the latest 45 days before the relevant General Assembly.
- 15.4 The validity of the candidatures shall be verified by Confederation Administrative Office and the electoral commission of the General Assembly appointed by the Board of Director of Confederation and confirmed at the latest 30 days before the General Assembly.

Art. 16 - FUNCTIONING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

16.1 The Board of Directors shall meet at least once per year and more often, if necessary, either called by the President or by half of its members.

- 16.2 The Board of Directors shall determine the Agenda of the General Assembly or of any General Extraordinary Assembly.
- 16.3 In case of vacancy of the President's office, the Board of Directors should meet immediately in order to vote by majority 50% + 1 (fifty per cent plus one) who, among the 2 vice presidents, will be substitute the President as a temporary solution. The person so designated as pro tempore substitute of the President shall remain in office until the President is able to resume his position or, in any event, until the next Ordinary General Assembly or Extraordinary General Assembly.
- 16.4 The Board of Directors shall validly deliberate if a representation of greater than fifty (50%) per cent of its members is present. Its decisions shall be taken by a majority of the votes cast and recorded in the minutes of said meeting.
- 16.5 Certain persons who are not members of the Board of Directors may attend the meetings for upon authorization of the President. These persons have no right to vote.
- 16.6 The minutes of each meeting shall be signed by the President or Vice President and the Secretary of the meeting.
- 16.7 The members of the Board of Directors shall not receive any compensation for their work.

Art. 17 - POWERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 17.1 The Board of Directors has all powers in connection to the management and administration of the Confederation and, in particular:
 - A. it may ensure that the Articles and the Rules and Regulations of the Confederation are respected, check their interpretation and take and apply any necessary decision to that regard;
 - B. it may decide upon the affiliation with the Confederation of any National Member or single individuals pursuant to the provisions set forth by Articles 5.2 and 5.3 of these Statutes:
 - C. it may mediate the dispute which may arise among affiliated members when it is requested or if it is necessary due to a critical situation;
 - D. it may decide for suspension and or expulsion of a National Member in conformity with Articles 32.2 and 32.3 of these Statutes;
 - E. prepares and convenes the Ordinary and Extraordinary General Assemblies;
 - F. studies any question which will be submitted to the General Assembly of the Confederation;
 - G. is responsible to ensure that each Board member is accountable for fulfilling the tasks and assignments as directed by these Statutes, General Assembly, decisions of the Board of Directors or the President;
 - H. provides sanctioning in connection with Confederation events;
 - I. determines and proposes to the General Assembly the sanctioning fees as well as the affiliation fees:
 - J. prepares and approves the regulations and By-laws of the Confederation which

rules the functioning of the Confederation in conformity with Kyrgyz Republic Laws, rules and regulations of the competent sport authorities in particular National Olympic Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic, Olympic Council of Asia Charter, rules, regulations and procedures;

- K. it may fix the Confederation yearly fees and criteria of membership of the Confederation;
- L. approves the annual financial statements of the Confederation each year which are then submitted to the General Assembly for the relevant approval;
- M. takes all steps which will be necessary for the organization of Asian and Regional Championships, International meetings/events, Regional, intercontinental, Asian Games, including the selection of referees and judges and the staff to run those events;
- N. may appoint the Technical, Medical, Referee, PR, Press Commission, Legal Committee, Arbitration Committee or any other commission or committee for the Confederation:
- O. is responsible in all matters that are not reserved to other bodies of the Confederation by these Statutes or the regulations and directives of the Confederation;
- P. establishes any committee and appoints its members it deems necessary at any time:
- Q. appoints on the proposal of the President the General Secretary and the Treasurer of the Confederation:
- R. The Board of Directors of the Confederation may at any time add an urgent item to the agenda of the Ordinary General Assembly. The National Members shall be informed as soon as possible.

The Board of Directors may submit any item to decision by the General Assembly by means of written resolution made by circulation. Such procedure must be reasonably justified by the decision of the Board of Directors.

Art.18 – MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS QUORUMS – WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

- 18.1 A meeting of the Board of Directors shall be convened at least once (1) a year anywhere in Asia whenever the Board deems it necessary.
- 18.2 Meetings shall be called by the President at least 30 days in advance of the meeting. In case of urgency, meetings may be called at shorter notice as required by the circumstances.
- 18.3 The notice of call shall specify: the date, the time, the place and the items on the agenda. A meeting can also be held by video-conference (including skype or webcast) in which case the modalities to access the conference shall be specified by the Board of Directors in the notice of call.
- 18.4 The Board of Directors is however duly established and able to adopt resolutions even in the absence of a formal call, provided that all members of the Board of Directors are in attendance and have been informed in writing (mail/letter/fax). The Board of Directors may

- validly deliberate if a majority of its members participates in the meeting or in the circular decision.
- 18.5 The meetings of the Board of Directors may also be held by way of teleconference or videoconference or web cast, provided that the President and the secretary of the meeting, who is appointed by the President among the members of the Board, is present in the same place and that all the attendees can be identified, and they can follow and take part in the discussion of the items on the agenda in real time. Such requirements having been fulfilled, the Board of Directors shall be deemed to have met in the place where the President and or the secretary are in attendance.
- 18.6 The Board of Directors shall be validly established with the presence of the majority (50%+1) of the directors in office and the resolutions of the Board of Directors save for those provided for in paragraph 18.7 below shall be validly adopted with the favorable vote of the absolute majority of the attendees. As representative of his country, the Confederation President will be granted an extra vote or casting vote in case of tied vote.
- 18.7 Resolutions of the Board of Directors regarding suspension and expulsion of a Member, shall be adopted with the favorable vote of 2/3rd (two/third) of the members in attendance.
- 18.8 Board resolutions may also be passed by means of written resolutions (circular resolutions), in writing, by facsimile or by a signed copy sent by e-mail (items to be decided are submitted in writing to the members of the Board of Directors). Board resolutions by means of written resolutions to be passed require the majorities provided in art. 17.6 above.
- 18.9 The minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors are recorded in English and Russian by the secretary of the meeting, appointed among its members by the President, and submitted for approval by the Board of Directors within 1 (one) month of the meeting.
- 18.10The minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors are communicated to the members of the Board of Directors through email by the Administration of the Confederation.
- 18.11No correction of or alteration to the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors will be accepted without written notification to the Administration, duly received and acknowledge, within 10 (ten) days of the date of the circulation of the minutes to the members of the Board of Directors.

Art. 19 - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Art. 19.1 - COMPOSITION

19.1.1 The General Assembly is the supreme body of the Confederation and shall be composed of the Presidents or their representatives of each National Member of the Confederation which has paid the yearly fees to the Confederation and which has reached the status of Full Member. Provisional Members have the right to attend the General Assembly but they have no voting rights. Technical Directors of the Confederation, members of the various Commissions, can attend the General Assembly session if they are invited by the President but they have novoting rights. They can speak if they are authorized by the Chairman of the General Assembly.

Art. 19.2 - POWERS O F THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- 19.2.1 The General Assembly has the power to:
 - A. introduce amendments and additions to the Statutes;
 - B. determine the priority areas of activity of the Confederation, the procedure for

- the use of its priority:
- C. the decision to establish branches and representative offices;
- D. participation in the activities of other legal entities;
- E. reorganization, liquidation and dissolution of the Confederation;
- F. elect the President and the directors:
- G. appoints the Auditor;
- H. appoint the scrutineers;
- I. ratify admission and/or exclusion of Members;
- J. grant, on proposal by the Board of Directors, the title of Individual Honorary Member as per Article 6 of these Statutes;
- K. approve the financial statements;
- L. approve the budget;
- M. approve the President's activity report;
- N. approves the minutes of the meetings of the General Assembly;
- O. decide on proposals submitted by Members or by the Board of Directors in accordance with these Statutes;
- P. exercise any other competence not specifically attributed to another organ or body by these Statutes.

Art. 20 - DELEGATES

- 20.1 Each Provisional and Full Member is represented at the General Assembly by 1 (one) or 2 (two) Delegates. In case of 2 (two) Delegates, the relevant Full Member shall indicate, upon registration of its Delegates, which Delegate shall be authorized to vote on behalf of that Full Member (hereinafter "Main Delegate").
- 20.2 Delegates may be the National Member President and/or other National Member representative(s) being Affiliate(s) of the National Member in question and designated by the National Member President. The Delegates other than the National Member President shall be able to establish their powers by means of a written power-of-attorney (hereinafter "Proxy") in English executed by the President of the National Member.
- 20.3 Members which establish proxies shall provide duly executed Proxies at the latest 3 (three) days before the date scheduled for the meeting of the General Assembly.
- 20.4 Delegates of a National Member of the Confederation must be Confederation Individual Affiliates of that Member and hold the citizenship of the country of the concerned Member. Representation by Delegates of another Member is not authorized.
- 20.5 Delegates may represent one additional Member if an appropriate proxy authorization has been submitted in writing to the Administration prior to start of General Assembly within the date determined by the Board of Director of Confederation.
- 20.6 The Board of Directors shall appoint an Electoral Commission composed of at least three persons. The Electoral Commission shall verify the attendance and the regularity of the Proxies before a General Assembly and participate in the preparation, review, approve and disapprove of the related and relevant documents of the General Assembly when required.

Art. 21 - NOTIFICATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- 21.1 Formal notice will be sent to all Confederation Members by the following medium: regular mail, fax or email no longer than 60 days from the proposed date. In extreme cases (or force majeure) the notification can be shortened at the discretion of Confederation President.
- 21.2 The Ordinary General Assembly agenda shall include without limitation, the following items:
 - a. approval of the agenda;
 - b. appointment of scrutineers;
 - c. approval of the minutes of the preceding Ordinary General Assembly;
 - d. President's activity report (containing the activities since the last Ordinary General Assembly);
 - e. presentation of the financial statements;
 - f. report of the Auditor;
 - g. approval of the financial statements;
 - h. discharge of the Board of Directors;
 - i. presentation and approval of the budget;
 - j. further items, if any, submitted by the Board of Directors or proposals of the Members (including, if any, proposals to amend the Statutes or dissolve the Confederation);
 - k. election of the President and of the directors (if applicable);
 - I. appointment of the Auditor;
 - m. information and participation on the activities of the Confederation, in particular participation of Asian Confederation championships.
- 21.3 For the General Assembly organized by mean of written resolutions, the formal call will be sent to all Confederation Members in conformity with Art. 27 MINUTES WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS of these Statutes.
- 21.4 Full Members entitled to vote may propose items to be put on the agenda. Such proposals must be submitted to the Board of Directors through the Administrative Office no later than 45 days prior to the Ordinary General Assembly. Proposals supported by at least 5 Full Members entitled to vote have to be included in the agenda. Other proposals submitted by Members are included in the agenda at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Art. 22 - VOTING RIGHTS

- 22.1 Each Voting Member who has satisfied the payments of their annual memberships fee and their financial obligations towards the Confederation in full by the date of payment defined by these Statutes and/or any further term decided by the Board of Directors for the relevant meeting of the General Assembly is entitled to vote according to his membership status.
- 22.2 Each Voting Member entitled to vote must regularly pay his affiliation fee every year in order to maintain his right to vote as determined by the Board of Directors of the Confederation.
- 22.3 All decisions shall be deemed passed with the quorums specified in these Statutes on the basis of votes validly cast by the Delegates of the Members who have voting rights pursuant to these Statutes.
- 22.4 Illegible, void, blank or improper ballot votes and abstentions shall not be calculated in the majorities.

- 22.5 The Provisional Members of the Confederation have no voting rights. The Full Members of the Confederation have 1 (one) vote. Suspended Members have not the right to vote and cannot attend the General Assembly (Full and or Provisional Members).
- 22.6 Any National Members representatives who have not satisfied the payments of their annual memberships fee and their financial obligations towards the Confederation in full by the date of payment defined by these Statutes and/or any further term decided by the Board of Directors but have satisfied all financial obligations towards the Confederation before the date of the General Assembly are eligible to participate to the same when such is organized physically, but they do not have the right to vote at the General Assembly neither to speak without the permission of the President.

Art. 23 – QUORUM

- 23.1 The General Assembly will take place and validly deliberate if the representation is minimum 1/3 (one third) of all Members entitled to voting rights.
- 23.2 Each Member, entitled to a vote must submit its membership fee regularly (every year) to maintain its right to vote.
- 23.3 Resolutions of the Ordinary General Assembly and Extraordinary General Assembly shall be deemed duly passed with the favorable vote of a majority of 50% +1 (fifty per cent plus one) of the Members in attendance, to be calculated with respect to the votes cast by the Voting Members only.
- 23.4 When the quorum under paragraph 1 above is not reached in the first call, the Ordinary General Assembly shall be held in second call 72 hours after the first had to be established, with the same agenda. The Ordinary General Assembly shall validly resolve if the representation is minimum 1/3 (one third) of all Members entitled to voting rights which is in attendance, with the favorable vote of a majority of 50% +1 (fifty per cent plus one) of the Members in attendance, to be calculated with respect to the votes cast by the Voting Members only, unless in case the agenda provides for any or the following items: changes to the Statutes and dissolution of Confederation, in which case the relevant resolution shall be deemed duly passed with the favorable vote of 2/3rd (two third) of the Members in attendance, to be calculated with respect to the votes cast by the Voting Members only;
- 23.5 Unless otherwise provided in these Statutes, the vote is normally conducted by a show of hands. Secret ballot shall be applied for the election of the President (if multiple candidates), for the members of the Board of Directors and if requested by at least five Full Members entitled to vote are in attendance for any other resolutions.

Art. 24 - THE ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- 24.1 The General Ordinary Assembly is the supreme body of Confederation and shall be held at least once a year, except in case of "force majeure" (wars, turmoil, natural disasters, pandemics etc.) preventing the free circulation of the Members of the Confederation. In such a case, the Ordinary General Assembly shall be in due time in accordance with these Statutes as soon as the cause of "force majeure" event is ceased.
 - The meetings of the Ordinary General Assembly may be convened in any county in Asia upon proposal of the President and the decision of the Board of Directors of the Confederation.
- 24.2 Its agenda shall be drawn upon proposal of the President and the decision of the Board of Directors in conformity to good business practices and sent to all National Members in conformity to Art. 21 Notification of General Assembly of these Statutes and Art. 22 -

- Voting Right). The place, the date and the agenda shall be set upon proposal of the President and the decision of the Board of Directors of the Confederation.
- 24.3 In the General Ordinary Assembly, the President and the Board of Directors members will report about the moral, structure, legal, financial position and activities of the Confederation.
- 24.4 The General Assembly will deliberate upon the questions on the agenda. The minutes of the Assembly shall be mailed to all Confederation Members.
- 24.5 The General Assembly will discuss and vote for the election of the President of the Confederation and for the members of the Board of Directors at least every (4) four fiscal years and in case the electoral General Assembly cannot be held at the end of the fourth calendar year for any reason and/or for "force majeure" events (wars, turmoil, natural disasters, pandemic etc.) preventing the free circulation of the affiliated National Members, the General Assembly will discuss and vote for the above-mentioned resolutions during the next electoral General Assembly deciding for such resolutions which shall be convened in due time in accordance with these Statutes as soon as the cause of "force majeure" event is ceased.
- 24.6 Decisions passed by the General Assembly shall come into effect immediately upon the close of the General Assembly, unless the General Assembly fixes another date in the future for a decision to take effect.

Art. 25 - THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- 25.1 The Extraordinary General Assembly may be called upon proposal of the President and the decision of the Board of Directors when a matter needs to be addressed by the General Assembly in between Ordinary General Assemblies.
- 25.2 The Extraordinary General Assembly can also be requested by three fourth (3/4) of members of the Confederation entitled to vote, which must send in that case their request to the President of Confederation by registered letter stating the reasons for that Assembly and specifying the matters to be put on the Agenda.
- 25.3 The place, the date and the agenda shall be set by the Confederation Board of Directors.
- 25.4 An Extraordinary General Assembly called based on a Members' request shall be held within 2 (two) months of the relevant request.
- 25.5 The notice of call of the meeting of the Extraordinary General Assembly shall be sent to all Provisional, Full Members and Honorary Members at least 45 (forty-five) days in advance.
- 25.6 The notice of call of the Extraordinary General Assembly shall specify: the place where the meeting is to be held, the date and time of calling and the items on the agenda as well as the reasons for convening an Extraordinary General Assembly. Documentation relating to the agenda of the Extraordinary General Assembly may be provided together with the agenda or at least 30 (thirty) days before the Extraordinary General Assembly. Documents and information relating to the items on the agenda shall be provided together with the agenda.
- 25.7 No items other than those specified in the notice of call may be added to the agenda of the meeting nor shall be discussed at such Extraordinary General Assembly.
- 25.8 The Extraordinary General Assembly meeting, held whether in first or in second call, shall validly resolve with the favorable votes of the Voting Members with the same quorum as per paragraphs 23.3 and 23.4 above.

Art. 26 - MEETINGS

26.1 The President presides over every meeting of the Ordinary General Assembly or the Extraordinary General Assembly and of the Board of Directors meeting. If the President is absent, he shall nominate a Vice President to take his role in the meeting, in any other case the longest serving Vice President shall deputize.

Art. 27 - MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

- 27.1 The minutes of the General Assembly are established under the authority of the President and/or the Chairman of the relevant General Assembly.
- 27.2 The minutes of the meetings are recorded in English and Russian by the secretary of the meeting.
- 27.3 The minutes of the meetings of the General Assembly are communicated to the Provisional, Full and Honorary Members and are subject to approval by the next General Assembly.
- 27.4 The Board of Directors may submit any item to decision by the General Assembly by means of written resolution made by circulation. Such procedure must be reasonably justified by the decision of the Board of Directors.
- 27.5 In the event of a decision by circulation of written resolution as per paragraph 26.4 above:
 - a. the National Members shall be notified by the Administration of the Confederation in writing (i.e. registered letter, fax, e-mail or other means than can provide evidence of the receipt) about the decision of the Board of Directors according to item 27.4 above together with the items to be decided on at least 45 (forty five) days before the date of the taking the planned decision:
 - b. any National Member who is entitled to vote wishing to add a new item must submit it to the Board of Directors no later than 1 (one) month prior to the planned decision;
 - c. at least 15 (fifteen) days prior to the planned decision, the Administration of the Confederation shall send to the Members all documents and/or materials relating to the items planned to take a written resolution as prepared by the Board of Directors as well as any document submitted by a Member in accordance with paragraph b above;
 - d. Full Members who are entitled to vote have to cast their vote by registered letter, fax, e-mail or other means that can provide evidence of receipt of their vote.
 - e. for a decision to be validly passed at least 1/3rd of the Full Members who are entitled to vote must effectively submit their votes.
 - f. the results of the vote are communicated without delay to the National Members. Provisional Members and Honorary Members are informed of the vote and of its outcome.

CHAPTER III: CONFEDERATION STRUCTURE

Art. 28 - ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF CONFEDERATION

- 28.1 Confederation is structured as follows:
- a. 1 President
- b. 2 Vice presidents

- c. 1 Treasurer (appointed among the Board members)
- d. 5 Board members
- e. 5 Zones developments/coordinators officers unless they have already been elected among the Vice Presidents or Board members.
- 28.2 Confederation's 5 (five) zones are the followings:

SOUTH EAST ZONE, SOUTH ZONE, WEST ZONE, EAST ZONE CENTRAL ZONE

- 28.3 The developments/coordinators officers can be members of the Board or chosen by the Board among Confederation members.
- 28.4 The above-named Zones developments/coordinators officers report directly to the Confederation Board of Directors through their officers who have a position on the same Board.
- 28.5 The Zones will abide Confederation constitutions, articles of association and all their decision should be pre-approved by the Confederation Board of Directors and any development program must be pre-authorized by the Confederation Board of Directors.
- 28.6 The Confederation shall collaborate with WAKO within its area of jurisdiction to the best of its ability, adhering to WAKO regulations and standards, recognizing the supreme authority of WAKO in all matters related to the sport of Kickboxing.

CHAPTER IV: AFFILIATION AND ANNUAL INCOME

Art. 29 - AFFILIATION

29.1 Any Asian National Kickboxing Federation and/or Association represented by their respective Presidents and individuals wishing to become a member of the Confederation, must apply to the Confederation Board of Directors which is responsible for the acceptance of the request. No member can be accepted without the payment of the annual fee implemented by the Confederation.

Art. 30 - ANNUAL INCOME

- 30.1 The income of Confederation shall include:
 - A. The income from yearly fees of all its members including the (5) five Asian Zones.
 - B. The income from entry fees of competitors to any open Tournament including Confederation Championships;
 - C. All sanctioning fees paid wherever applicable by promoters/organizers of any Championshipsin Asia including Asian Games, activities;
 - D. The income from possible merchandising in sporting events;
 - E. TV and film rights of its events;
 - F. Possible gifts and free donations;

- G. Sanctioning fees on kickboxing articles manufacturers;
- H. Sponsors;
- I. Public Subsidies.
- 30.2 The calendar of any Asian events should be placed according to WAKO calendar.
- 30.3 Sanctioning and entry fees regarding Asian Championships should be determinate by Confederation's Board of Directors.

Art. 31 - AFFILIATION DUTIES AND FEES

- 31.1 Any Member of Confederation must pay regularly an annual fee implemented by the Confederation.
- 31.2 Each Confederation member must pay to the Confederation the annual yearly fees within March 31st of every calendar year.
- 31.3 The payment of such annual affiliation membership fees is separate whereas the National Members must make the payment of the payment of their annual affiliation fees of WAKO (IF) which must be paid directly to WAKO (IF).
- 31.4 Irregular payment or reiterated not payment of the annual fees, bring to the loss of the right to vote and in the end of membership.

Art. 32 - RESIGNATION - SUSPENSION - EXPULSION

Art. 32.1 - RESIGNATION

- 32.1.1 A Member may resign at any time from the Confederation.
- 32.1.2 Such resignation shall take effect immediately upon receipt by the Confederation of a notice of resignation signed by the legal representative of the relevant Member.
- 32.1.3 Any Member intending to relinquish membership must send the notice of resignation to the Administration of Confederation by means of registered letter with return receipt requested or email or facsimile. Any outstanding affiliation fees must be paid by the resigning Member. Any affiliation fees already paid will not be refunded.

Art. 32.2 - SUSPENSION

- 32.2.1 The Board of Directors, through a decision adopted with the majority provided under Article 18.7 above, may suspend a National Member who seriously violates rules and regulations and its obligations, including the above but not exhaustive:
 - serious violation of the Statutes, regulations or decisions of the Confederation or its bodies;
 - systematic failure to participate actively to the Confederation activities, in particular but not limited to regular participation to the Confederation Championships. This is without prejudice to the specific suspension of the right to vote as provided in these Statutes:
 - behavior detrimental or which can create a material prejudice to the Confederation and its Members:
 - suspension resolved by the Board of Directors of the Confederation by delivery to the relevant National Member of a notice by means of registered letter with return receipt

requested or email or facsimile also through Confederation website.

- 32.2.2 Before deciding on a suspension under paragraph 32.2.1 above, the Board of Directors shall:
 - notify the Confederation National Member concerned of the potential ground(s) for suspension, and of the factual allegations (together with any evidence) underlying such ground(s);
 - grant the Confederation National Member concerned a time limit of no less than 14 (fourteen) days for it to file a written response to the allegations, together with any evidence the Confederation National Member seeks to rely on.
- 32.2.3 The suspension decision of the Board of Directors shall be communicated in due course to the relevant National Member by the President by means of registered letter with return receipt requested or email or facsimile. Moreover, all Confederation Members shall be properly informed on the suspension of the relevant Member.
- 32.2.4 Following the receipt of the suspension decision of the Board of Directors communicated as above, in case the relevant National Member does not comply with the obligations set in suspension decision of the Board of Directors within a period determined within such suspension decision, the Board of Directors shall resolve upon the expulsion of the relevant Member pursuant to the provisions of Article 32.3 below.
- 32.2.5 A suspended National Member shall lose all its membership rights. Other National Members may not entertain sporting contact with a suspended National Member. The Disciplinary Committee may impose further sanctions.
- 32.2.6 Representatives of a National Member which have not paid their annual fees to the Confederation by the required date will be automatically suspended from all Asian activities until complete payment of all amounts due is affected.
- 32.2.7 A Confederation Member that has been suspended as per the above provisions may file an appeal against the decision of the Board of Directors to the Confederation Arbitration Board, in conformity to Article 41 Dispute Resolution of these statutes.
- 32.2.8 A suspension decision can be revoked by the Board of Directors once and subject to Confederation's National Member having remedied the cause of suspension.
- 32.2.9In case the National Member of the Confederation has been suspended as a member of WAKO, the Confederation Board of Directors shall apply the provisions of this article also with respect to the position of the National Member of the Confederation towards the Confederation to the extent that it does not contradict to these Statutes and applicable law of Kyrgyz Republic, and rules and regulations of the competent sport authorities of the Kyrgyz Republic.
- 32.2.10 The National Members which have not paid their annual fees to the Asian Confederation by the required date will be automatically suspended from all Asian confederation activities until complete payment of all amounts due and satisfaction of all financial obligations are effected.

Art. 32.3 - EXPULSION

32.3.1 A suspended Confederation National Member which fails to remedy the cause of the suspension within a reasonable deadline – as determined and communicated by the Board of Directors of the Confederation - following due notice provided under Article 32.2.3 of these Statutes, may be excluded as a Member by a decision of the Board of Directors taken by means of a resolution adopted with the qualified majority provided under Article 18.7, of these Statutes.

- 32.3.2 If a violation is severe enough to justify an exclusion and is not capable of remedy or the Member expressly refuses to remedy it, a National Member may be excluded without previous suspension as provided in Article 32.2 above.
- 32.3.3 Before deciding on an exclusion under paragraphs 32.3.1 or 32.3.2 above, the Board of Directors shall:
 - a. notify the Confederation National Member concerned of the potential ground(s) for exclusion, and of the factual allegations (together with any evidence) underlying such ground(s);
 - b. grant the Confederation National Member concerned a time limit of no less than 14 (fourteen) days for it to file a written response to the allegations, together with any evidence the Confederation Member seeks to rely on.
- 32.3.4 Any exclusion decision by the Board of Directors of Confederation is subject to ratification by the next General Assembly. Until the General Assembly has decided, the Confederation National Member shall be provisionally (or remain, as applicable) suspended. The Confederation National Member concerned shall be given a reasonable opportunity to present its arguments against an exclusion to the General Assembly.
- 32.3.5 The expulsion of a National Member shall be resolved by the Board of Directors of the Confederation, by means of a resolution adopted with the majority provided under Article 18.7 above, for the following reasons:
 - refusal by the relevant National Member to comply with the obligations set in suspension decision within a period of time determinate within such suspension decision;
 - serious violation of the Statutes, regulations or decisions of Confederation or its bodies:
 - any kind of discrimination acts to Confederation, its Executives, Administration and any of its members.
- 32.3.6 A notice of notification of expulsion to a National Member shall be deemed to have been properly served, provided it was sent to the last address indicated by the Member to the Administration of the Confederation.
- 32.3.7 The expulsion decision of the Board of Directors shall be communicated in due course to the National Member by the President by means of registered letter with return receipt requested or email or facsimile. Moreover, all Confederation members shall be properly informed on the expulsion of the relevant Member also through Confederation website.
- 32.3.8 Any exclusion decision by the Board of Directors of the Confederationis subject to ratification by the next General Assembly. Until the General Assembly has decided, the Confederation National Member shall be provisionally (or remain, as applicable) suspended. The Confederation National Member concerned shall be given a reasonable opportunity to present its arguments against an exclusion to the General Assembly of the Confederation.
- 32.3.9 A Confederation National Member that has been excluded from the Confederation as per the above provisions may file an appeal against the decision of the Board of Directors to the Arbitration Panel of the Confederation in conformity to the Article 41 Dispute Resolution of these statutes.
- 32.3.10 In case the National Member of the Confederation has been expelled as a member of WAKO, the Confederation Board of Directors shall apply the provisions of this article also with respect to the position of the National Member of the Confederation towards the

Confederation to the extent that it does not contradict to these Statutes and applicable law of Kyrgyz Republic, and rules and regulations of the competent sport authorities of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Art. 33 - EXPENSES

33.1 Approved expenditure: The President approves all expenditures.

Art. 34 - THE TREASURER

- 34.1 The Board of Directors, within its members, will appoint a Treasurer who is responsible of the control and checking of every single expense made and the accounts of the Confederation.
- 34.2 The Treasurer will check all book-keeping and financial transactions at the end of each fiscal year and will make his report during the Board of Directors Meeting.

Art. 35 - FINANCIAL REPORTS

- 35.1 The President will present a report about the financial position of the Confederation every year to all members of the Board of Directors during their annual meeting. The Treasurer of the Confederation is responsible for the control of each single expenses and he is in charge to report the validity of the book-keeping and financial transactions within the Board of Directors.
- 35.2 The Confederation fiscal year shall start on January 1st and end on December 31st.

Art. 36 - RIGHT FOR TELEVISION, RADIO, PHOTOGRAPHIC, ADVERTISING, SPONSORSHIP AND FILM RIGHTS DURING OF CONFEDERATION EVENTS

- 36.1 Any and all television, radio, photographic, advertising, sponsorship and film rights of Confederation events, belong exclusively to the Confederation.
- 36.2 The Confederation President or his delegate can negotiate these rights with promoters, sponsors and Confederation members.

CHAPTER V: DEGREES AND BYLAWS

Art. 37 - DEGREES

37.1 Confederation will recognize, subject to the approval of Confederation's Technical Committee, as valid qualification the degrees granted officially by Asian National Kickboxing leaders to their own licensed members, such as they are defined by the Board of Directors up to 2nd Degree black belt.

Art. 38 - BYLAWS

38.1 The By-laws of Confederation are reviewed and prepared by the Board of Directors and are ratified or modified by the next following General Assembly.

CHAPTER VI: FINAL PROVISIONS

Art. 39 - INSURANCE - MEMBERS AND ATHLETES

39.1 All Confederation National Members are responsible for and are required to obtain insurance for their associations or federations and athletes including coverage for sports accidents in

- national and international competitions.
- 39.2 Confederation will not take responsibility for any National Member liability.
- 39.3 Confederation and its bodies accept no liability whatsoever towards National Member associations. The burden of proof for establishing any liability of Confederation and/or its bodies shall remain with the Member.

Art. 40 - ARBITRATION BOARD

- 40.1 The Arbitration Board consists of a Chairman and at least 2 other Members appointed by the Confederation Board of Directors for 4 years terms of office.
- 40.2 The Members of the Arbitration Board shall be independent and shall not be a Confederation National Member or Confederation Individual Affiliate. The members shall have a legal education and experience in dispute resolution.
- 40.3 If a Member of the Arbitration Board becomes unavailable, the Board of Directors may replace him or her for the remaining period of his or her term as per articles 40.1.
- 40.4 The Arbitration Board shall act as independent dispute resolution body and resolve disputes submitted in application of these Statutes or other Confederation regulations.
- 40.5 The Arbitration Board, respectively its Members acting as panel members or sole arbitrators shall apply Confederation Statutes, applicable Law of Kyrgyz Republic, and rules and regulations of the competent sport authorities and in particular the National Olympic Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic, Olympic Council of Asia Charter, rules, regulations as well as Olympic Charter. They determine the applicable procedural rules subject to observance of fundamental principles of procedure, including the right to be heard.
- 40.6 The Arbitration Board may issue procedural provisions or directives governing the proceedings in front of panels or sole arbitrators.

Art. 41 - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 41.1 Disputes arising from/or related to decisions issued regarding the application of these Statutes or other Confederation's rules and regulations which cannot be resolved through internal procedures can be brought in front of the Confederation Arbitration Board. For the sake of good order, purely sporting issues (field of play issues) are not subject to challenge in front of the Arbitration Board.
- 41.2 The Arbitration Board shall adjudicate the matters referred to it by National Members and/or Confederation Individual Affiliates.
- 41.3 A non-refundable arbitration fee as determined by the Arbitration Board, must be paid upon submission, in writing, of the dispute to the same.
- 41.4 The Arbitration Board acts either through a panel of three members or a single arbitrator, as decided by the Chairman of the Arbitration Board, who appoints the acting panel or the acting arbitrator from the Member of the Arbitration Board (including him or herself).
- 41.5 An Appeal against decisions of the Arbitration Board may be lodged with the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne (Switzerland) CAS within 30 days of notification of the concerned decision.
- 41.6 Subject to a different decision of the entity which issued the decision or a decision of the CAS, the appeal shall not have a suspensive effect.

- 41.7 Confederation National Members shall ensure that their members, affiliated clubs, athletes and officials comply with the decisions passed by the Arbitration Board and or by CAS.
- 41.8 The National Members shall insert a clause in their statutes or regulations, stipulating that it is prohibited to take disputes in the National Member or disputes affecting athletes, clubs, officials and other association officials to ordinary courts of law, unless the Confederation regulations or binding legal provisions specifically provide for or stipulate recourse to ordinary courts of law. Instead of recourse to ordinary courts of law, provision shall be made for arbitration. Such disputes shall be taken to an independent and duly constituted arbitration tribunal recognized under the rules of the Confederation or to CAS.
- 41.9 The National Members shall also ensure that this stipulation is implemented in the association, if necessary, by imposing a binding obligation on its members. The National Members shall impose sanctions on any party that fails to respect this obligation and ensure that any appeal against such sanctions shall likewise be strictly submitted to arbitration, and not to ordinary courts of law.

Art. 42 - INTERPRETATION

42.1 The authority for settling any dispute arising out of the interpretation of these Statutes shall reside with the Board of Directors of the Confederation for the time being, who shall seek the advice of the General Assembly which taking the final decision. In case of any possible disputes arising from the interpretation of these Statutes, the same shall be submitted to the Arbitration Board of the Confederation by the relevant interested party.

Art. 43 - AMENDMENTS AND MODIFICATION OF THE STATUTES

43.1. Any Amendments or any changes to the Confederation Constitution and Articles of the Association can only be decided by the General Assembly when there are present at least two third (2/3) of its voting members present at the said Assembly.

Art. 44 - DISSOLUTION

- 44.1 The General Assembly having to decide upon Confederation's dissolution, and especially called for that purpose, will include at least two third (2/3) of its voting Members. If that proportion is not reached, the General Assembly is called again a second time in a minimum of two weeks' time.
- 44.2 The General Assembly will have then the right to deliberate whatever may be the number of Confederation Members entitled to vote.
- 44.3 In case of dissolution, the General Assembly will appoint one or several Commissions to close down Asian Kickboxing Confederation.
- 44.4 Confederation assets, if any, in accordance with the law, will be granted to one or more National Members Federations and/or Associations.

Art. 45 - ANTI-DOPING

45.1 Asian Kickboxing Confederation recognizes the WADA, "World Anti-Doping Agency" and World Anti-Doping code as the principal authority for its Anti-Doping policy and shall at the best of its ability implement testing, activities and education through anti-doping regulations and educational programs and procedures to ensure compliance within Confederation's National Members.

Art. 46 - RECOGNIZED JURISDICTION

46.1 The Confederation recognizes as the principal authority in all disputes and matters of arbitration as the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) jurisdiction and accepts the Code of Sports-related Arbitration as defined.

Art. 47 - RESPONSIBILITY OF EXECUTIVES

- 47.1 The executives of Confederation are personally responsible for fulfilling the requirements of the law, the provisions of this Statute, and are also responsible for fulfilling their duties in accordance with this Statute and current legislation.
- 47.2 The executives of Confederation include: The President, Vice presidents, Members of the Board of directors, General secretary and members of the audit commission.

Art. 48 - APPLICABLE LEGISLATION

- 48.1 The legal status of Asian Kickboxing Confederation as non-profit organization, established as a Public Association, its activities, reorganization and liquidation are based on the Constitution of the Kyrgyz Republic and are regulated by the Civil Code of the Kyrgyz Republic, by the law of the Kyrgyz Republic on non-profit organizations and other regulatory legal acts of the Kyrgyz Republic, as well as international treaties that have entered into force in accordance with the procedure established by law, to which the Kyrgyz Republic is a party.
- 48.2 These Statutes are developed, interpreted and operates in accordance with the legislation of the Kyrgyz Republic.

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