

The Articles of Association The African-Chinese People's Friendship Association

Article 1. The name of the association is the African-Chinese People's Friendship Association, abbreviated as ACPFA. It might also be referred to as Africa-China Friendship Association, Africa-China People's Friendship Association and other similar names that are covered and legally protected by the ACPFA's intellectual property rights.

Article 2. ACPFA is a not for profit, non-governmental organisation registered in South Africa and is headquartered in Cape Town with branches, representative offices and or independent organizations in the similar names registered in other African cities and countries.

Article 3. The emblem of the association is composed of a garland of olive branches surrounding the globe with a handshake in the middle that symbolizes the eternal friendship between the African people and the Chinese people; the green and white color represent life, love, peace, hope and the purity of the friendship; the name of the association in English and Chinese language encircles and manifests the content. The emblem forms part of the ACPFA intellectual property rights and branding that may be applied to ACPFA stationery, publications, functions, conferences, events and souvenirs.

Article 4. The aims of the association are to promote people to people relations and friendship between the peoples of Africa and China through programs and projects of cultural exchange, education, philanthropy and any other forms of collaboration that helps to create and foster opportunities for general prosperity.

Article 5. Membership of the ACPFA is open to all individuals, institutions and organizations of African countries and of China by invitation and application. A nominal membership fee, set by the council, will be levied from members.

Article 6. The ACPFA is governed by a council of maximum 19 people that will meet at least 2 times per annum, nominated by its members and elected at an annual general meeting by the members present at the meeting. The Council will have a Chair, a Deputy Chair, a General Secretary and a Treasurer, elected from among its members.

Article 7. The ACPFA may invite notable public figures and professionals to act as Patrons and Presidents of the organisation. These patrons and Presidents will perform ceremonial and other duties from time to time as requested by the council.

Article 8. The council may appoint a Chief Executive Officer and other staff to carry out its day-to-day functions. These may be remunerated at a rate agreed by the council.

Article 9. The ACPFA will be funded through membership levies, donations and funds generated by its events and activities.

Article 10. Functions and powers of the council are to decide on and examine the work report of the Executive Committee, to amend the statutes of the Association as required from time to time, to decide on inviting honorary presidents, honorary advisors and advisors, to elect president, vice presidents and secretary-general, to appoint staff.

Article 11. The president, vice presidents and secretary-general form the Executive Council to attend to the day-to-day work of the association and are responsible for reporting its work to the governing council.

Article 12. The power for the interpretation of this article of association resides in the ACPFA.