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<b>Amendments to articles of the Constitution</b>			
		<p><b>PREAMBLE (new article)</b></p> <p>The International Scout and Guide Fellowship of Africa 'ISGF-Africa' is an organization for adults that supports scouting and guiding. Based on the ISGF ideals, it aims at assisting its members to implement the values learned in the youth movements, in view of an active support to the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and the World Association of Girl Guide and Girl Scout (WAGGGS), services within their</p>	



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		communities, and a continuous personal development.	
		<b>Article 1. NAME (new article)</b> The name of the organisation is International Scout and Guide Fellowship of Africa 'ISGF-Africa'	
		<b>Article 2. HEADQUARTERS (new article)</b> The headquarters of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship of Africa 'ISGF-Africa' is located at.....	
<b>Article 1. MEMBERSHIP</b>  The Africa Region of the ISGF is composed of all the National Scout and Guide Fellowships (NSGFs) of the African countries. Any other NSGF belonging to a country adjacent to the Africa Region may join it on the decision of the Africa Region Conference and with the agreement of the ISGF World Committee	<b>Article 1. MEMBERSHIP</b>  The Africa Region of the ISGF is composed of all the National Scout and Guide Fellowships (NSGFs) of the African countries. Any other NSGF belonging to a country adjacent to the Africa Region may join it on the decision of the Africa Region Conference and with the agreement of the ISGF World Committee. <b>The members of the Central Branch in Africa are also members of the Region.</b>  <i>Rationale: This is to include all members as Part of the Region</i>	<b>Article 1. to be changed into Article 5. MEMBERSHIP</b>  The Africa Region of the ISGF is composed of all the National Scout and Guide Fellowships (NSGFs) of the African countries. Any other NSGF belonging to a country adjacent to the Africa Region may join it on the decision of the Africa Region Conference and with the agreement of the ISGF World Committee  <b>Section1 (new). REQUEST OF MEMBERSHIP</b>  <b>Membership to the ISGF-Africa is open to any that fulfils the criteria and conditions and that introduces such a request to the African Committee. Authority to confer Membership is vested in the African Conference.</b>	<b>Article 1. ADMISSION / MEMBERSHIP</b>  a- <b>The ISGF Africa Region is open to all candidacies of African National Associations recognised by the government of the related country.</b>  b- <b>The ISGF African Region Committee may grant a provisional membership. However, the latter will be submitted to the ISGF African Conference with the agreement of the ISGF World Committee</b>  c- <b>The Conference decides on admission, suspension and cancellation of Membership</b>  d- <b>The ISGF African Region Committee recognises only one National Association per country.</b>



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		<p><b>Section 2 (new). CRITERIA AND CONDITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To be member of a NSGF in Africa,</li> <li>- To have set up a local office of the National Scout and Guide Fellowship.</li> <li>- To have a Constitution and Bye-Laws that abide by the ISGF Constitution and Bye-Laws,</li> <li>- To introduce a request of membership to the African Committee.</li> </ul> <p>-</p> <p><b>Section 3(new). RECOGNITION</b>            Only one NSGF per country is recognised as Member of the ISGF Africa.</p> <p><b>Section 4(new). RESPONSIBILITIES AND RIGHTS OF MEMBERS</b></p> <p>Responsibilities and rights of Members are to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Be up-to-date of its membership fees,</li> <li>- Take part in activities of the African Committee,</li> </ul>	<p><b>PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION (new article)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a- Any African Association wishing to be affiliated to the ISGF-Africa must introduce a request of membership to the General Secretariat along with a statement testifying of its dedication to comply, at any times, with the Constitution, Bye-Laws, directives and decisions of the ISGF Africa</li> <li>b- To the request of membership, will be attached a copy of the Constitution and Bye-Laws of the Association in question. Any amendments thereto must be notified to the ISGF Africa Secretariat within a maximum delay of a thirty (30) day.</li> <li>c- The request of Membership must also be sent along with the amount of the first annual fee, in accordance with the regulation in force.</li> </ul> <p><b>RIGHTS OF MEMBERS (New Article)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a- Members of the ISGF-Africa enjoy the following rights:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- to participate in the Conference.</li> <li>2- to formulate proposals of items to be included in the agenda of the Conference</li> </ol> </li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Contribute to formulating the policy of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship,</li> <li>- Nominate and elect members of the African Committee,</li> <li>- Take part in activities (seminars, training workshop) and other events of the International Fellowship</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3- to nominate a candidate to the ISGF African Region Committee</li> <li>4- to nominate a candidate to the ISGF World Committee</li> <li>5- to participate in activities organised by ISGF in its whole.</li> <li>6- to take advantage of the ISGF technical, financial and development support programs</li> <li>7- to enjoy all other rights arising from this Constitution and Bye-Laws.</li> </ul> <p>b- the exercise of these rights is subject to reserves stemming from other provisions of this Constitution, applicable regulations and decisions made by any authority of the ISGF.</p>
		<p>- Article 6 <b>SUSPENSION, RESIGNATION (New article)</b></p> <p><b>Section 1 (new). Suspension</b>            The African Conference upon proposal of the Africa bureau will be entitled to provisionally suspend the membership of any NSGF that, in its opinion, no longer fulfils the required conditions to be a Member.            In case of a pronounced suspension, the NSGF, at the next Conference, will be able to address its defence, in writing or orally, to the Assembly. The Conference has full</p>	<p><b>SUSPENSION (New Article)</b></p> <p>a- The ISGF African Conference has competence for suspending a Member. Any Member that seriously infringes its obligations may be subject to an immediate suspension by the ISGF Africa Region Committee. If this decision has not been lifted in the meantime, it remains valid and in force until next Conference.</p>



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		<p>authority to cancel or maintain the suspension.</p> <p><b>Section 2(new). RESIGNATION</b></p> <p>A NSGF may resign by written notice to the Secretary General. The resignation notice must reach the Secretariat no later than three (03) months before the African Conference. The resignation, if accepted, takes automatically effect after the Conference and will be recorded as such in the minutes.</p>	<p>b- Any decided suspension by the ISGF African Region Committee must be endorsed by the three-quarters (3/4) of the majority of the vote casts of the Conference. In case the required majority is not met, the sanction is automatically lifted with immediate effect. The resolution submitted to the Conference must clearly indicates the duration of the suspension.</p> <p>c- The suspension results in the automatic loss of related prerogatives to the Membership status. Other Members are not allowed to maintain relationship with the suspended association; otherwise they will be prosecuted by the ISGF African Region Committee.</p> <hr/> <p><b>RESIGNATION (New Article)</b></p> <p>a) Any Member may resign from the ISGF African Region. Resignation notice must be sent to the ISGF Africa Region Secretariat by recorded mail within a delay of thirty (30) days .after its resignation, indicating the reasons of the said resignation.</p> <p>b) The resignation of the association in question will be effective at the</p>



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		<p>A NSGF that ceases to be a Member further to resignation, for whatever the reasons are, will no longer be entitled to benefit of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The advantages and services of the ISGF</li> <li>- The recognition by other Members (NSGF)</li> <li>- The use of the emblem, logo and other ISGF materials.</li> </ul>	<p>next ISGF African Region Committee meeting. However, the African Committee reports immediately to the ISGF World Committee.</p> <p>c) The resigning association will be entitled to reintegrate the ISGF Africa Region only in virtue of a decision of the conference and after having fulfilled all its previous financial obligations to the ISGF Africa Region, the zones and other national associations.</p>
			<p><b>EXCLUSION (New Article)</b></p> <p>a) Any Member may be subject to an exclusion decided by the Conference, in case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• it does not fulfil its financial obligations to the African Region, despite a written reminder sent by the ISGF African Region Committee;</li> <li>• It seriously infringes the Constitution, Bye-Laws, directives and decisions of the ISGF African Region and ISGF World Committees.</li> </ul> <p>b) Any exclusion requires the presence of the absolute majority of the voting Members at the Conference and the three-quarters (3/4) of the majority of the vote casts of the Conference</p>



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<p><b>Article 2. PURPOSE</b></p> <p>The purpose of the Africa Region is to promote, support, maintain and uphold the principles of the ISGF.</p>		<p><b>Article 2 to be changed into Article 4. PURPOSE</b></p> <p><i>An amendment to the article has been introduced by Burkina Faso but it is a question of syntax in the French version of the Constitution with no consequence on the substance of the article and no change is required in the English version.</i></p>	
<p><b>Article 3. AIMS</b></p> <p>The aims of the Africa Region are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support its Sub-Regions.</li> <li>• Foster the development of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship in the Region and support the program and activities of its Members.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage the exchange of ideas, visions and experiences among NSGFs within the Region.</li> <li>• Promote Regional gatherings and co-ordinate schedules of events within the Region.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Article 3. AIMS</b></p> <p>The aims of the Africa Region are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support its Sub-Regions.</li> <li>• Foster the development of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship in the Region and support the programme and activities of its <b>participating organizations</b> (NSGFs and Central Branch). <b>In particular the Region will assist the African groups of the Central Branch to become a NSGF.</b></li> </ul> <p><i><b>Rationale:</b> This will give room to work with all, for growth of ISGF</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage the exchange of ideas, visions and experiences <b>among NSGFs within the Region.</b></li> <li>• Promote Regional <b>Conferences</b>/Gatherings and co-ordinate schedules of events within the Region.</li> </ul> <p><i><b>Rationale:</b> The exchange of ideas should not</i></p>	<p><b>Article 3. AIMS</b></p> <p>The aims of the Africa Region are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support its <b>Sub-Regions.</b></li> <li>• Foster the development of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship in the Region <b>and support the program and activities of its Members.</b></li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage the exchange of ideas, visions and experiences among NSGFs within the Region.</li> <li>• Promote Regional gatherings and co-ordinate schedules of events within the Region.</li> </ul>	





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<p><b>Article 4. LANGUAGES</b>            The official languages of the Africa Region are those laid down in the ISGF Constitution and Bye-Laws</p>		<p><b>Article 4. LANGUAGES to be changed into article 7 (new) the bodies of the ISGF Africa</b></p> <p>The bodies of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship of Africa are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the African Conference (governing and decisional body)</li> <li>- the African Region Committee (executive body),</li> <li>- the Sub-Regions</li> </ul>	
			<p><b>BODIES OF THE ISGF AFRICAN REGION (New Article)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The Conference is the legislative body</li> <li>b) The African Region Committee is the executive body</li> <li>c) The General Secretariat is the administrative body</li> </ul>





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<p><b>Article 5. SUB-REGIONS</b></p> <p>The Africa Region is sub-divided into four Sub-Regions, namely: West, East, Central and South by agreement with the ISGF World Committee</p>	<p><b>Article 5. SUB-REGIONS</b></p> <p><b>The Africa Region is divided into Sub-Regions</b></p> <p><i>Rationale: This will allow future creation of Sub-Regions without having to amend the Constitution</i></p>	<p><b>Article 5 to be changed into Article 9. SUB-REGIONS</b></p> <p><i>An amendment to the article has been introduced by Burkina Faso but it is a question of syntax in the French version of the Constitution with no consequence on the substance of the article and no change is required in the English version</i></p>	<p><b>Article 5. ZONAL UNION</b></p> <p><b>The ISGF African Region Committee by agreement with the ISGF World Committee has divided the African Continent into five (05) zones as follows:</b></p> <p>a) <b>Zone North:</b> Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia.</p> <p>b) <b>Zone West:</b> Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Ivory Coast, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea Conakry, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo.</p> <p>c) <b>Zone Central:</b> Cameroun, Central Africa, Congo Brazzaville, Gabon, Guinea Equatorial, R D Congo, Sao tome E Principe, Chad.</p> <p>d) <b>Zone East:</b> Burundi, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Somalia, Soudan, South Soudan, Tanzania.</p> <p>e) <b>Zone South:</b> South Africa, Angola, Botswana, Comoros, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, The Seychelles, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe.</p>



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			<p><b>RESPONSIBILITIES AND RIGHTS OF ZONAL UNIONS (New Article)</b></p> <p>Each Zonal Union has the right of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Participating in the works of the ISGF Africa Region Conference without voting right.</li><li>b) Organising its own activities with due respect for the ISGF international calendar.</li><li>c) Receiving ISGF assistance and subsidies.</li></ul> <p>In parallel, each Zonal Union is requested to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Adopt Constitution suitable to the Zone as per proposed by the ISGF Africa Region.</li><li>b) Must invite the ISGF Africa Region Committee to the Zonal Conference.</li><li>c) Strictly comply with Constitution, Bye-Laws, directives and decisions of the ISGF African and World committees.</li><li>d) Closely cooperate with the ISGF African Region Committee in all fields in a view of achieving its objectives.</li></ul>



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<p><b>Article 6. AFRICA REGION COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>The Africa Region Committee is the executive body. Its membership consists of one representative from each Sub-Region, appointed by the respective Sub-Region, each with voting rights.</p> <p>The ISGF World Committee shall appoint to the Africa Region Committee one of its own members without voting rights.</p>	<p><b>Article 6. AFRICA REGION COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>The Africa Region Committee is the executive body. Its membership consists of one representative from each Sub-Region, appointed by the respective Sub-Region, each with voting rights.</p> <p><b>However, till the official setting up of the African Sub-Regions, the Conference is the lawful body to elect the Africa Regional Committee with the recommendation of nominating candidates coming from various existing or to be Sub-Regions in order to set up a Regional Committee reflecting the Africa Region’s cultural and geographical particularities. Where one Sub-Region has not put up a candidate, the Regional Committee may institute consultations to request them to put a name or names for consideration. This practice will continue until the Sub regions are in position to elect their own members for the committee.</b></p> <p><i>Rationale: this motion, recommended and accepted by the ISGF legal team with immediate effect, will enable the legitimacy of the election of the Regional Committee during the 5<sup>th</sup> Africa Conference</i></p> <p>The ISGF World Committee shall appoint to the Africa Region Committee one of its own members without voting rights.</p>	<p><b>Article 6. to be changed into article 10.AFRICA REGION COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>The Africa Region Committee is the executive body. It <b>consists of five (05) members, including a representative from each Sub-Region, appointed by the respective Sub-Region. Each member of the Committee has voting rights.</b></p> <p><del>The ISGF World Committee shall appoint to the Africa Region Committee one of its own members without voting rights.</del></p>	



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<p>The Africa Region Committee may appoint a representative to attend the meetings of the ISGF World Committee at their invitation, without voting rights.</p> <p>The Africa Region Committee may co-opt members for specific purposes for a limited period of time, without voting rights</p>	<p>The Africa Region Committee may appoint a representative to attend the meetings of the ISGF World Committee at their invitation, without voting rights.</p> <p>The Africa Region Committee may co-opt members for specific purposes for a limited period of time, without voting rights.</p> <p><b>The normal method of communication used by the Africa Region Committee is to send all correspondence exclusively electronically. Document delivery shall be considered successful in case the respective postmaster of the mail server of the addressee does not return an error message. In case, electronic delivery is not possible due to technical or other reasons; the stipulated documents are to be sent via postal mail.</b></p> <p><i>Rationale: This will remove unnecessary expenses of posting mail</i></p>	<p>The Africa Region Committee may appoint a representative to attend the meetings of the ISGF World Committee at their invitation, without voting rights.</p> <p>The Africa Region Committee may co-opt members for specific purposes for a limited period of time, without voting rights</p>	
<p><b>Article 7. OFFICERS</b></p> <p>The Africa Region Committee shall designate the following main responsibilities among its own four members, one from each sub-region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairman</li> <li>• Vice Chairman</li> <li>• Secretary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Article 7. OFFICERS</b></p> <p>The Africa Region Committee shall designate the following main responsibilities among its own members, if possible one from each Sub-Region :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairman</li> <li>• Vice Chairman</li> <li>• Secretary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Article 7. OFFICERS to be changed into article 11 (new). MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN REGION COMMITTEE</b></p> <p><b>Section 1(new). Composition of the Committee</b></p> <p><b>The Committee consists of:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Chairman,</li> <li>- The Vice-Chairman,</li> </ul>	<p><b>Article 7. COMPOSITION OF THE ISGF AFRICAN REGION COMMITTEE.</b></p> <p>a) <b>The ISGF African Region Committee is composed of five (05) members, elected during the Conference.</b></p> <p>b) <b>These five (05) members meet and elect among them:</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>1- The Chairman</b></p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treasurer</li> </ul> <p>The ISGF World Committee shall be informed of these designations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treasurer</li> <li><b>Central Branch Coordinator</b></li> </ul> <p>The ISGF World Committee shall be informed of these designations.</p> <p><b>Rationale:</b> <i>The Africa Region needs a person to coordinate growth of the Central branches into NSGFs</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Secretary General,</li> <li>The deputy Secretary General,</li> <li>The Treasurer</li> </ul> <p><b>Section 2 (new). THE CHAIRMAN</b></p> <p><b>The Chairman is the licit representative of the ISGF-Africa</b>  <b>He is accountable for :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The implementation of the decisions made by the African conference</li> <li>The notice, the chairmanship and the regularity of the Committee meetings and activities,</li> <li>The joint signature with the Treasurer, and all the receipts of incomes or expenditure,</li> <li>The signature of all acts of deliberation,</li> <li>The relations with other structures or organisations,</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman may entrust the Vice-Chairman with some of his duties.</p>	<p>2- The Secretary  3- The Treasurer</p> <p>The ISGF World Committee shall be informed of these designations.</p> <hr/> <p><b>THE CHAIRMAN (New Article)</b></p> <p>a) The Chairman is the licit representative of the ISGF African Region.</p> <p>b) He recommends the appointment or the revocation of the Secretary General to the ISGF African Region Committee.</p> <p>c) He chairs all sessions of the Conference, of the African Region Committee.</p> <p>d) He is in charge of the implementation of the decisions of the Conference and the ISGF African Region Committee by the Secretary General and the administration that he supervises.</p> <p>e) He is in charge of the relationship between the ISGF African Region and the ISGF World Committee as well as other international organisations.</p> <p>f) The Chairman signs all documents and letters involving the ISGF African</p>



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		<p><b>Section 3(new). THE VICE-CHAIRMAN</b>            In case of absence, illness or death of the Chairman, he substitutes the Chairman until the subsequent African Conference.</p> <p><b>Section 4(new). THE SECRETARY GENERAL</b></p> <p>The general secretariat carries-out all administrative duties of the ISGF-Africa under the leadership of the Secretary General.            His role is to execute the decisions of the African Conference and the African Committee under the leadership of the Chairman.            The Secretary General may entrust the deputy Secretary General with some of his duties.</p> <p><b>Section 5(new). THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL</b></p> <p>In case of absence, illness or death of the Secretary General, he substitutes the Secretary General until the subsequent African Conference.</p>	<p>Region, jointly with the Secretary General.</p> <p>g) In specific circumstances, the Chairman may delegate some of his explicitly listed powers to one of the member of the ISGF African Region Committee or to the Secretary General in compliance with the terms of management that he has laid down.</p> <hr/> <p><b>THE SECRETARY GENERAL (New Article)</b></p> <p>a) The Secretary General is appointed by the ISGF African Region Committee upon recommendation of the Chairman            b) He is the chief administrative officer of the ISGF African Region, as such, he attends all ISGF African Region Committee meetings, without voting rights.</p> <p>c) He may be the licit representative of the ISGF African Region Committee provided the Chairman entrust him with the required specific entitlement.</p> <p>d) He manages the administration of the ISGF African Region, including the implementation of the decisions of the African Region Conference and Committee.</p> <p>e) After consultation with the Chairman, he draws up the agenda</p>



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		<p><b>Section 6(nouveau). THE TREASURER</b>            He provides accounting, asset management and fundraising for the Committee. He draws-up and signed the financial documents jointly with the Chairman.</p> <p><b>Section 7(nouveau). LANGUAGE AND PROVENANCE.</b>            The Chairman and its Secretary General cannot come from the same Sub-Region or from the same language group. If one is an English-speaking person, the other is a French-speaking person and vice versa. This applies to the Vice-Chairman and the deputy Secretary General as well.</p>	<p>of the ISGF African Region Conference and meetings.</p> <p>f) He drafts the minutes of the Conference and the ISGF African Region Committee meetings.</p> <p>g) He is in charge of the correspondence and the Public Relations.</p> <hr/> <p><b>THE TREASURER (New Article)</b></p> <p>a) The Treasurer is the liable funds manager of the Organisation</p> <p>b) the Treasurer draws up the draft budget required for the efficient running of the organisation and the implementation of the actions of the latter. He submits the financial options to the ISGF African Region Committee for decision. Once decisions are made, he monitors the budget. This position requires a specific method and some management skills</p> <p>c) He is the warrantor of the accounting management of the ISGF African Region.</p> <p>d) He assures the good keeping of the transaction records (expenditure-incomes)</p>





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			<p>e) He draws-up grant applications and send them to the competent agencies.</p> <p>f) He performs the expenditure operations, as agreed, under the responsibility of the Chairman of the ISGF African Region Committee (expenses refund, payment of invoices) and takes care of income streams (fees, grants, donations and legacies)</p> <p>g) He ensures the liaison between the organisation and the bank officer.</p> <p>h) On a periodical basis, he presents the financial situation to the African Region Committee.</p> <p>i) He draws up the annual financial report to be submitted to the African Region Committee and to the ISGF African Conference. If necessary, in the frame of the accounting obligations, he submits the statement of accounts to auditors before the Conference</p> <p>j) The Treasurer draws up the annual draft budget and presents it to the ISGF African Region Committee for final approval.</p>
			<p><b>HONORARY MEMBERS (New Article)</b></p> <p>a) The ISGF African Conference may confer, upon proposal of the ISGF</p>



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			<p>African Region Committee, the status of Honorary Chairman, Honorary Vice-Chairman or Honorary Member to its members and/or to prominent figures for service rendered to the ISGF African Region.</p> <p>b) The Chairman of the ISGF African Region Committee may decide to invite the Honorary chairman and/or Honorary Vice Chairman(en) to attend the ISGF African Region Committee meetings, without voting rights.</p>
			<p><b>PREROGATIVES OF THE ISGF AFRICAN REGION COMMITTEE (New article)</b></p> <p>a) The ISGF African Region Committee is responsible for the execution of the policy and decisions of the Conference as well as the management of the administration of the African Region.</p> <p>b) The ISGF African Region Committee decides on any other matters, which lie outside the Conference's or any other body's competence, in accordance with the Constitution and Bye-Laws.</p> <p>c) Each member of the ISGF African Region Committee is entitled to</p>



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			<p>suggest items to be included in the agenda of the ISGF African Region Committee.</p> <p>d) The ISGF African Region Committee may delegate the exercise of some of its prerogatives to its members, individually, clustered as a committee and/or to the bureau, or the Secretary General in compliance with the terms of management that it has laid down.</p>
<p><b>Article 8. TERM OF OFFICE</b></p> <p>The term of office of a Committee member shall be three years, commencing immediately after the Africa Region Conference and finishing at the end of the next Conference. No member shall serve for more than two consecutive terms.</p>		<p>Article 8. TERM OF OFFICE to be changed into Article 12. TERM OF OFFICE OF ELECTED MEMBERS</p> <p>Each member of the Committee is elected for a three (03) year term, renewable only once. None of the elected member are allowed to serve more than two (02) consecutive terms.</p> <p>The term of office <del>of a Committee member shall be three years,</del> commencing immediately after the Africa Region Conference and finishing at the end of the next Conference. <del>No member shall serve for more than two consecutive terms.</del></p>	<p>Article 8 et 9 combined in Article. ELECTION, REQUIRED MAJORITY, VOTING, MANDATE</p> <p>a) Elections are held by secret ballot.  b) Any national association, member of the ISGF African Region, may submit a candidacy.  c) The National association must announce the names of the candidates to the African Region Committee at least sixty (60) days before the date of election. The Committee is renewed by two (2) or three (03) members, depending on the situation, for a three (03) year term, renewable once.</p>
<p><b>Article 9. MEETINGS AND VOTING</b></p>		<p>Article 9 to be changed into Article 13. MEETINGS AND VOTING</p>	<p>d) Each national association may be represented to the Conference by a maximum of three (03) delegates,</p>



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<p>The Africa Region Committee shall meet according to the needs of the Region but must meet at least once a year. The meetings should be held in the Sub-Regions by rotation if possible.</p> <p>The Africa Region Committee may approve its own rules of procedures.</p> <p>Each voting Committee member has one vote and the Chairman has an additional casting vote if there is a tie.</p>		<p><b>The Regional Committee meet at least once a year and according to the needs. Meetings take place in the Sub-Regions by rotation. Each member of the Committee has a voting right.</b></p> <p><b>A member may give its proxy to another member for voting. None of the members can receive more than one (01) proxy.</b></p>	<p>entitled to take part in discussions, with voting rights.</p> <p>e) <b>Each Zonal Union may be represented by its Secretary General and possibly by one (01) other member, entitled to take part in discussions, without voting rights.</b></p> <p>f) <b>The African Region Committee finances the travel and accommodation costs of one delegate per national association.</b></p> <p>g) <b>The list of the names of the delegates of each national association, ranked from one (01) to three (03) for the exercise the voting right, must be communicated to the General Secretariat before the opening of the Conference. If a delegate, ranked first, is not in the Conference hall, he is replaced by another delegate for the exercise of the voting right in accordance with the ranked list previously announced.</b></p> <p>h) <b>The Chairman of the ISGF African Region Committee chairs the work of the Conference. If he is absent, the choice is made in accordance with the order of precedence of the members of the Committee.</b></p>



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) The Session Chairman ensured the application of this Constitution. He opens and closes the sessions. He gives the floor and conducts the discussions</li> <li>j) The Session Chairman maintains order and may take actions against those who disturb the work (warning, reprimand and exclusion from the hall). In the event of dispute, the Conference makes the decision with immediate effect and without prior discussion.</li> <li>k) Official translators ensure the simultaneous translation of the discussions in the official languages of the Conference (English and French).</li> <li>l) At the beginning of the voting, the Conference appoints the tellers in charge of assisting the Secretary General during the voting process such as counting of votes, the distribution of the ballot forms, etc.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Article 10. AFRICA REGION CONFERENCE</b></p>	<p><b>Article 10. AFRICA REGION CONFERENCE</b></p>	<p>Articles 10 to be changed into article 7 (new). <b>THE AFRICAN CONFERENCE</b></p> <p>The African Conference consists of all Members that fulfil the responsibilities and rights of the organisation. It is the governing and decisional body and it is held each three</p>	<p><b>Article 10. THE CONFERENCE</b></p> <p>a) The Conference is the supreme body of the ISGF African Region. It defines the general policy and takes required decisions for its implementation.</p>



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<p>The Africa Region Conference is the governing body of the Africa Region. The Conference shall be held every 3 years. Its purpose is to discuss current situations and to make decisions according to the aims of article 3 of this Constitution.</p> <p>Each NSGF of the Africa Region shall be entitled to send voting delegates to the Conference.</p> <p>Any NSGF which fails to pay its annual region fees up to and including the end of the financial year preceding the Conference shall forfeit its right to vote until payment has been received,</p>	<p>The Africa Region Conference is the governing body of the Africa Region. The Conference shall be held every 3 years. Its purpose is to discuss current situations and to make decisions according to the aims of article 3 of this Constitution.</p> <p>Each NSGF of the Africa Region shall be entitled to send voting delegates to the Conference.</p> <p><b>Each NSGF and the total membership of the Central Branch in the Region shall have four votes, which they can use as they think fit, irrespective of the number of their delegates attending.</b></p> <p><b>Delegates representing the Central Branch at an African Region Conference shall be elected immediately prior to the commencement of the Conference by, and from among, participating Central Branch members.</b></p> <p>Any NSGF which fails to pay its annual region fees up to and including the end of the financial year preceding the Conference shall forfeit its right to vote until payment has been received, unless the Africa Committee has</p>	<p><b>(03) years in a country member as decided by itself.</b></p> <p><b>Section 1 (new)</b>            The Africa Region Conference is the governing body of the Africa Region. <del>The Conference shall be held every 3 years.</del></p> <p><b>Section 2 (new )</b>            Its purpose is to discuss current situations and to make decisions according to the aims of article 3 of this Constitution.</p> <p>Each NSGF of the Africa Region shall be entitled to send voting delegates to the Conference.</p> <p><b>Section 3 (nouveau)</b>            Any NSGF which fails to pay its annual region fees up to and including the end of the financial year preceding the Conference shall forfeit its right to vote until payment has been received, unless the Africa Committee has granted</p>	<p>b) The Conference may be an ordinary or an extraordinary meeting.</p> <p>c) The Conference consists of :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Representatives of the national affiliated associations.</b></li> <li>- <b>Members of the African Region Committee</b></li> <li>- <b>Honorary Chairman(en), Vice-Chairman(en), Members</b></li> <li>- <b>Delegates from Zonal Unions.</b></li> </ul> <p>d) <b>The African Conference, as an ordinary meeting, meets once (01) every three (03) years without fail</b></p> <p>e) <b>The ISGF African Committee decides on the place and dates of the Conference. This information is noticed, in writing, to Members at least 120 days before the set date of the Conference.</b></p> <p>f) <b>The official invitation is sent, in writing, at least sixty (60) days before the set date of the Conference. The agenda of the Conference is sent along with the invitation.</b></p> <p>g) <b>All documents relative to the Conference are sent to Members at least thirty (30) days before the set date of the Conference.</b></p>



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<p>unless the Africa Committee has granted remission or postponement of payment of the fees.</p> <p>All Central Branch members of the Africa Region shall be invited to the Conference without voting rights.</p> <p>The invitation, provisional agenda and proposals for other agenda items must be sent to the NSGFs at least three months in advance of the Conference.</p> <p>The Africa Region Conference shall be prepared by a NSGF in collaboration with the Africa Region Committee, using guidelines available from the ISGF World Bureau.</p> <p>The quorum for the Africa Region Conference shall be half plus one of the Members of the Africa Region.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Conference shall be appointed by the Conference upon the proposal of the Africa Region Committee.</p> <p>Voting procedures shall be as agreed for World Conferences of the ISGF, unless otherwise agreed at the Africa Region Conference by a two-thirds</p>	<p>granted remission or postponement of payment of the fees.</p> <p>The invitation, provisional agenda and proposals for other agenda items must be sent to the NSGFs at least three months in advance of the Conference.</p> <p>The Africa Region Conference shall be prepared by a NSGF in collaboration with the Africa Region Committee, using guidelines available from the ISGF World Bureau.</p> <p>The quorum for the Africa Region Conference shall be half plus one of the Members of the Africa Region.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Conference shall be appointed by the Conference upon the proposal of the Africa Region Committee.</p> <p>Voting procedures shall be as agreed for World Conferences of the ISGF, unless otherwise agreed at the Africa Region</p>	<p>remission or postponement of payment of the fees.</p> <p><b>Section 4 (nouveau)</b>            All Central Branch members of the Africa Region shall be invited to the Conference without voting rights.</p> <p>The invitation, provisional agenda and proposals for other agenda items must be sent to the NSGFs at least three months in advance of the Conference</p> <p>The Africa Region Conference shall be prepared by a NSGF in collaboration with the Africa Region Committee, using guidelines available from the ISGF World Bureau.</p> <p><b>Section 5 (nouveau)</b>            The quorum for the Africa Region Conference shall be half plus one of the Members of the Africa Region</p> <p><b>Section 6 (nouveau)</b>            The Chairman of the Conference shall be appointed by the Conference upon the proposal of the Africa Region Committee.</p> <p><b>Section 7 (nouveau)</b>            Voting procedures shall be as agreed for World Conferences of the ISGF, unless otherwise agreed at the Africa Region Conference by a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote.</p>	





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<p>majority of those present and entitled to vote.</p>	<p>Conference by a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote.</p> <p><b>Rationale:</b> <i>This will make the voting similar to the one used by the World Committee</i>  <i>This is in line with ISGF Bye-Law 4- Central Branch Election Of Representative</i></p>		
<p><b>Article 11. FINANCES</b></p> <p>Each African NSGF shall pay an annual fee to the Region of an amount to be agreed at each Africa Region Conference.</p> <p>Accounts for each Africa Region Conference shall be kept by the Organising Committee, finalised within 12 months, and submitted to the Africa Region Committee.</p> <p>The budget necessary for administrative expenses shall be approved by the Africa Region Committee and by the Sub-Regions if they are concerned.</p> <p>Each Committee member shall pay his/her own expenses for attendance at meetings or else be supported by his/her own NSGF.</p>		<p><b>Article 11 to be changed into Article 14. FINANCES</b></p> <p><b>Section 1 (new)</b>            Each African NSGF shall pay an annual fee to the Region of an amount to be agreed at each Africa Region Conference.</p> <p>The budget necessary for administrative expenses shall be approved by the Africa Region Committee and by the Sub-Regions if they are concerned.</p> <p>Each Committee member shall pay his/her own expenses for attendance at meetings or else be supported by his/her own NSGF.</p> <p>The Africa Region Committee shall be responsible for keeping the accounts of the Africa Region.</p> <p>The accounts shall be audited annually and presented to the Africa Region Committee and to the World Committee. NSGFs shall receive <del>triennial accumulated accounts</del> <b>triennial financial statement</b> three months before the</p>	



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<p><b>Article 12. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION</b></p> <p>Proposals for amendments to this constitution must be received by the Africa Region Committee three months prior to the upcoming Africa Region Conference.</p> <p>Any amendment to this Constitution must be agreed upon by the Africa Region Conference, due notice of it having been given in advance.</p> <p>Voting on amendments shall be by a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote.</p> <p>Amendments adopted by the Africa Region Conference shall become effective following their approval by the ISGF World Committee. Beyond a six months period without reaction of</p>	<p><b>Article 12. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION</b></p> <p>Proposals for amendments to this constitution must be received by the Africa Region Committee a minimum of <b>six months</b> prior to the upcoming Africa Region Conference.</p> <p>Any amendment to this Constitution must be agreed upon by the Africa Region Conference, due notice of it having been given in advance.</p> <p>Voting on amendments shall be by a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote. Amendments adopted by the Africa Region Conference shall become effective following their approval by the ISGF World Committee. <del>Beyond a six months period without reaction of the World Committee, the approved amendments come into force.</del></p>	<p><b>Article 12 to be changed into Article 15. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION</b></p> <p>Proposals for amendments to this constitution must be received by the Africa Region Committee three months prior to the upcoming Africa Region Conference.</p> <p>Any amendment to this Constitution must be agreed upon by the Africa Region Conference, <del>due notice of it having been given in advance.</del></p> <p>Voting on amendments shall be by a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote.</p> <p>Amendments adopted by the Africa Region Conference shall become effective following their approval <del>by the ISGF World Committee.</del> <b>Beyond a six months period without reaction of the World Committee, the approved amendments come into force.</b></p>	



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<p>the World Committee, the approved amendments come into force.</p>	<p><b>Rationale:</b> <i>Amendment proposal period changed from 3 months to 6 months. To give time for Circulation</i>  <i>The last paragraph on Amendments removed, as the Region cannot foresee World Committee commitments.</i></p>		
		<b>RATIONALE</b>	
			<p>We proposed twelve (12) new articles and six (06) amendments to current articles, 1-5-7-8-9 and 10, of the ISGF Africa Region constitution. These new articles, amended and approved will support the reinforcement of the cooperative links between other national associations and it will offer more visibility to the International Scout and Guide Fellowship (ISGF).</p>