

CERTIFIED TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN

Rules of “Äthiopienhilfe e.V.” (Registered “Aid for Ethiopia” Association)

§ 1 Name, registered office, financial year

After its entry into the Register of Associations, the Association shall bear the name "Äthiopienhilfe e.V." and have its registered office in 01237 Dresden, Altreick 21. It is to be entered in the Register of Associations at Dresden Local Court. The financial year shall be the calendar year.

§ 2 Purpose of the Association

- 1.) Based on fundamental Christian values, the work of the Association is directed at helping the people in Ethiopia in their needs, regardless of their race, social background and ideology, by giving them practical and material support, by responsible social commitment and by training.
- 2.) This aim is to be achieved by:
 - a) establishment and operation of facilities suited for the continual maintenance and education of, and care for, especially disadvantaged and afflicted children and young people, e.g. an orphanage and day-care units for street children
 - b) help for the starving, for refugees and people in other serious difficulties, in particular by providing medicine, everyday and medical necessities, and foodstuffs
 - c) fighting against poverty in particular by the creation of education and training facilities, improvement of the sanitary conditions and potable water quality in order to prevent diseases, by offering to the people information on health care, AIDS prevention and birth control, assistance in the creation of their livelihood
 - d) basic information on Christianity as a basis for finding one's own identity and for sound future prospects
 - e) development of multipliers in all mentioned fields
- 3.) A group of supporters and sponsors is to be found to reach these goals. Persons can be employed to implement the individual tasks. Cooperation with partner organisations in Ethiopia is to be developed and fostered.

§ 3 Charitable status and use of funds

- 1.) The exclusive and immediate purposes of the Association are charitable as defined in the section on tax-privileged purposes in the Tax Code.
- 2.) The Association does not pursue own interests; its own profitability does not take first place.
- 3.) The members do not, in their capacity as members, receive any financial allocations from the Association's funds. They do not receive any shares in the Association's assets on leaving the Association or on dissolution of the latter.
- 4.) No person must be given an advantage by expenses other than for the purpose of the Association, or by disproportionately high remuneration. The funds of the Association may only be used for the purposes defined in the Rules of Association.

§ 4 Membership

- 1.) Individuals and legal entities who further the purpose of the Association can become members of the Association, regardless of their nationality and age. If a young person wants to become a member, the written approval of his/her statutory representative is required.

- 2.) Members are formally admitted. A written application for admission has to be addressed to the Committee.
- 3.) The committee shall decide on each application by simple majority. No reasons to be given for the rejection of an application for admission.
- 4.) Membership expires by withdrawal, death, expulsion, or cessation of the Association. Any withdrawal has to be notified to the Committee in writing. Expulsion can be effected by incontestable resolution of the Committee, in particular in the event that the behaviour of a member is adverse to the purpose or the reputation of the Association. The respective person has to be heard. He/she is to be informed in writing about the reasons for expulsion.

§ 5 Executive bodies of the Association

The Association has the following executive bodies:

1. the General Assembly of members
2. the Committee

§ 6 The general Assembly of Members

- 1.) The General Assembly of Members represents the entirety of registered members of the Association; it is their supreme decision-taking body and should meet at least once in a year for an ordinary meeting (annual general meeting). The Committee shall inform about the date, place and time of such meeting at least two weeks in advance, as well as about the preliminary agenda.
- 2.) The committee can summon an extraordinary General Assembly of Members for good reason at any time with eight days notice. Besides, an Extraordinary General Assembly of Members has to be summoned on request of 2/5 of the voting members.
- 3.) The General Assembly of Members has the following functions:
 - a) election of the Committee
 - b) acceptance and formal approval of the Committee's report on activities
 - c) appointment of a cash auditor for the current financial year
 - d) decisions on modifications in the Rules of Association
 - e) decision on the dissolution of the Association
 - f) general approval of the activities of the Committee
- 4.) The General Assembly of Members shall decide by simple majority of the voting members present on
 - a) the election of the Committee
 - b) the election of the person who takes down the minutes
 - c) the formal approval of the activity of the Committee.

The election of the Committee, like all other vote-taking, shall be effected by show of hands. Upon request of 2/5 of the voting members the vote is to be taken by secret ballot.
- 5.) The General Assembly of Members shall decide with a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of the voting members present on
 - a) modifications in the Rules of Association
 - b) the dissolution of the Association

Any member can be represented at the General Assembly of Members by another member or by his/her spouse. Such representation requires a written proxy that is to be presented to the Assembly.
- 6.) The General Assembly of Members has to be recorded and the record signed by at least one member of the Committee and two other members.

§ 7 The Committee

- 1.) The Committee consists of three members. It represents the Association inside and

outside of court and does its everyday business insofar as the latter has not been allocated to the General Assembly of Members under the rules of Association.

- 2.) The General Assembly of Members elects the members of the Committee for a period of three years. Re-election is permissible.
- 3.) Each member of the Committee is entitled to act as sole representative.
- 4.) The meetings of the committee have to be recorded and the record signed by two members of the Committee.
- 5.) It could be paid compensation for expenses or emoluments to the members of the committee.

§ 8 Funds of the Association

The Association raises the funds for the implementation of its tasks by

- a) contributions in cash and in kind
- b) income from collections and charity events
- c) membership fees

Every members shall decide the height of his/her monthly membership fee and inform the Committee in writing.

- d) other donations.

§ 9 Liability

Only the assets of the Association shall be liable for commitments undertaken on behalf of the Association. Liability on the part of individual members of the Association and of the Committee on grounds of their membership in the Association or their position in the Committee is ruled out internally, unless the liability incurred is the result of purposeful action or gross neglect.

§ 10 Annual report

The income and expenses of the Association as well as its accounting are to be audited by a cash auditor after the closing of each financial year. The cash auditor shall his findings to the General Assembly of Members.

§ 11 Dissolution of the Association

The dissolution of the Association can only be decided at a General Assembly of Members. The Assembly shall constitute a quorum if at least 50% of its voting members are present or represented according to § 6.5.

In the event that the Association is dissolved or its tax-privileged purposes do no longer exist, the assets of the Association devolve onto the "Christliches Zentrum Herrnhut e.V." (register of associations number 265 at Löbau Local Court). Resolutions concerning the future use of the assets may only be implemented after approval by the tax office.

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