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I. General Provisions

1.1 This Statute fixes the procedure for establishing, exercising powers, organizing activities and dissolving the non-governmental organization Ukrainian Peace Council (hereinafter "NGO UPC, the Organization").

1.2. NGO UPC is the peacekeeping, non-governmental organization whose activities are governed by the Constitution of Ukraine, the Civil Code of Ukraine, the Tax Code of Ukraine, the Law of Ukraine "On Public Associations", the Law of Ukraine "On State Registration of Legal Entities, Individual Entrepreneurs and Public Organizations", the United Nations Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, this Statute, and other active legislation of Ukraine. Its activities apply to the entire territory of Ukraine.

The legal basis for the activities of the NGO UPC is also the regulatory documents and general decisions adopted by the Organization within their statutory powers and shall be mandatory for all members.

1.3. NGO UPC may choose the areas of its activity and act on the principles of voluntary participation, equality, self-government, free choice of the territory of activity, equality before the law, absence of property interests of its members (participants), transparency, openness and publicity, uniting people of various social strata, nationalities, professions, political and religious convictions to advance and protect the legitimate interests of its members in defending peace, human rights and freedoms, meeting public, particularly the economic, social, cultural, educational interests of its members and/or other persons, ensuring conditions for free communication as well as achieving a higher level of understanding and social harmony both in Ukraine and abroad.

1.4. NGO UPC considers its activities as an integral part of the global peacekeeping movement, declares its constant readiness and openness to be an active partner and participant in various forms and frameworks of international cooperation through the UN, other non-governmental organizations, national and international peacekeeping movements and foundations on the basis of public diplomacy.

1.5. NGO UPC is the non-profit organization whose main purpose is not to make a profit.

1.6. Organization's name:

Full name:

- Громадська організація «Українська Рада Миру»,

Organization's acronym:

- ГО «УРМ».

1.7. Organization's name (English):

Full name: - Ukrainian Peace Council

Acronym: - UPC.

1.8. NGO UPC achieves the status of a legal entity from the moment of its state registration in accordance with current legislation, has an individual balance sheet, accounts including foreign currency accounts in banks, its own seal, a stamp of the established sample with its name and emblem, may have stamps, letterheads, other details approved by the Presidium, as well as symbols approved by the Presidium and registered in accordance with the established procedure, and may, on its own behalf, enter into agreements, contracts, acquire property and personal non-property rights, meet obligations, be the plaintiff and defendant in a court of general jurisdiction, commercial court and arbitration court, as well as take other actions in accordance with its purpose and tasks.

1.9. From the moment of state registration, the UPC has the exclusive right to use its name, including the name in a foreign language.

1.10. The activities of NGO UPC are of a public nature, which is manifested in its interaction with public authorities, organs of local self-government, enterprises, institutions, organizations of various forms of ownership, as well as in the formation of partnerships with other public organizations, movements, foundations registered in Ukraine or abroad, citizens of Ukraine, foreigners and/or stateless persons.

1.11. NGO UPC exercises all the powers of the owner in accordance with the purpose of its activities.

1.12. NGO UPC shall be liable for its obligations with its property.

The state and its organs shall not be liable for the obligations of the UPC, which, in turn, shall not be liable for the obligations of the state and its organs.

1.13. NGO UPC is not liable for the obligations of its members, participants and legal entities established by it. Members, participants and legal entities established by NGO UPC are not liable for the obligations of NGO UPC, unless they assume these obligations.

II. Purpose and areas of activity:

2.1. The main purpose of the NGO UPC is:

2.1.1. To unite the efforts of the public to safeguard peace and harmony in Ukraine and abroad by engaging in cultural, educational, scientific, environmental, health, sports, and social activities in accordance with the procedure established by current legislation.

2.2. The main areas of activities of NGO UPC are:

2.2.1. To promote the formation of a public outlook against the spread of militaristic ideas in Ukraine and abroad, and actions that may provoke ethnic, religious, social, political or environmental conflicts.

2.2.2. To promote the achievement of the main program objective of the national peace movement through the concerted efforts of the public: "Peace in our home and peace in the whole world", as well as the following program objectives: "Peace in conditions of freedom and democracy"; "Peace and social justice"; "Peace and culture"; "Peace and human rights"; "Education in the spirit of peace"; "Peace and environmental safety"; "Peace for children and family"; "Peace and sport"; "Peace and education"; "Science and development of society".

By a decision of the Presidium, the list and number of programs may be changed in accordance with the areas of statutory activities.

2.2.3. To promote the organization and implementation of programs that provide an effective mechanism for environmental safety, improvement of environmental factors, as well as solve problems related to human ecology;

2.2.4. To promote the establishment of constitutional principles and laws of a peaceful, non-nuclear, civilized state in Ukraine;

2.2.5. To establish relations with various international public and non-governmental organizations, movements, assemblies, and foundations in order to fulfill its statutory tasks;

2.2.6. To engage in nonprofit activities aimed at promoting the development of culture by familiarizing Ukrainian citizens with the cultures of the peoples of the world and foreigners with the culture of Ukraine, as well as by preserving Ukraine's cultural heritage;

2.2.7. To participate in the implementation of national and international scientific and educational programs, rendering various assistance to students, creative youth without the purpose of making a profit;

2.2.8. To engage in nonprofit activities aimed at promoting the development of Ukraine's achievements in the areas of politics, science, culture, art, and sports. To assist at the nomination of prominent political, cultural, scientific, sports and artistic figures as candidates for prestigious Ukrainian and international awards;

2.2.9. To engage in nonprofit activities aimed at providing all kinds of assistance to socially vulnerable groups of the population, the sick, war veterans, victims of armed conflicts, victims of man-made and environmental disasters, scientists, cultural and sports figures, and members of the peacekeeping movement; to assist in organizing the health improvement of children and youth both in Ukraine and abroad without the purpose of making a profit;

2.2.10. To promote, through the efforts of the public, the observance of personal, political, social, economic and other human rights and freedoms set forth in the Constitution of Ukraine;

2.2.11. To participate in the development of citizens' security system through active public activities against violence, terrorism and weapons of mass destruction;

2.2.12. To engage in non-profit activities aimed at promoting the education of children, young people and other citizens of society in the spirit of respect for universal values, non-violent psychology, patriotism, national consciousness, respect for the cultural heritage of their country;

- 2.2.13. To promote the realization of the ideals of the United Nations and the ideals of universal peace, justice and prosperity for all mankind in particular;
- 2.2.14. To support and arrange events that contribute to the enhancement of Ukraine's prestige on the international arena;
- 2.2.15. To engage in non-profit activities aimed at supporting and arranging events that contribute to ensuring environmental safety in Ukraine;
- 2.2.16. To participate in conducting scientific research, independent expert examinations on political, social, environmental issues in accordance with the statutory activities of NGO UPC;
- 2.2.17. To comprehensively contribute to the elimination of the consequences of the Chornobyl disaster, which are related to the rehabilitation of Ukrainian citizens (children, youth, etc.), restoration of the ecological environment;
- 2.2.18. To assist at the organization of recreation and health improvement of Ukrainian children, both in Ukraine and abroad, without the purpose of making a profit;
- 2.2.19. To promote the spiritual, cultural and educational development of Ukrainian citizens;
- 2.2.20. To perform actions aimed at promoting the renunciation of the policy of hostility, stereotypes and prejudices;
- 2.2.21. To participate in the formation of international public opinion aimed at the prohibition of weapons of mass destruction;
- 2.2.22. To organize and carry out projects and programs in accordance with the areas of statutory activities;
- 2.2.23. To study and analyze the cases of violations of civil rights and freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution and other legislative acts in Ukraine as well as to assist in their restoration and protection, involving representatives of governmental and non-governmental organizations, international experts in human rights monitoring;
- 2.2.24. To cooperate with governmental and non-governmental organizations of Ukraine, to participate in Government's programs that comply with the statutory activities of NGO UPC;
- 2.2.25. To participate in the creation of mechanisms for public control over the activities of state organs in the field of foreign and domestic policy, military policy related to peace and security;
- 2.2.26. To promote various advertising and PR (public relations) campaigns that bolster a positive image of Ukraine and NGO UPC, to arrange memorable events related to the activities of NGO UPC;
- 2.2.27. To invite representatives of international media to Ukraine and organize relevant programs of their stay, which will help to collect more detailed information about our country and familiarize the world community with it;
- 2.2.28. To facilitate the solution of a complex of problems of spiritual and cultural development of Ukrainian expatriates in the countries of their citizenship, preservation of ethnic identity and establishment of communication with Ukrainian citizens and public associations;
- 2.2.29. To create conditions for free communication between prominent political and public figures, entrepreneurs, representatives of different religions, scientists, artists, educators and athletes to reach mutual understanding between countries and peoples;
- 2.2.30. To systematically study the public opinion (will) of the general public in Ukraine and abroad on vital issues of peace defense and environmental safety;
- 2.2.31. To facilitate Ukraine's raising funds required for the development of education, science, culture, and sports; implementation of programs aimed at social protection of the population, ensuring its constitutional rights by supporting health insurance programs, financing new technogenic and environmentally friendly technologies, including those designed to improve working conditions and safety.

2.3. In order to fulfill the above purpose and objectives, in accordance with the procedure established by legislation, NGO UPC may:

- 2.3.1. conceive and carry out projects and programs, independently or jointly with governmental and non-governmental organizations, both Ukrainian and international, in accordance with statutory activities, without the purpose of making a profit;

2.3.2. promote or arrange Ukrainian and international charitable events: exhibitions, contests, festivals, concerts, performances, auctions, other educational, scientific, cultural and sports events, create web pages, without the purpose of making a profit;

2.3.3. participate in the organization and financing, as well as independently hold scientific and practical, educational, socio-political, methodological and other conferences, seminars, competitions, lectures, round tables, consultations, creative events, tournaments, contests, promotions and other events, including international ones, related to the statutory activities of the Organization, involving representatives of the public, government and local authorities, experts in various fields of public life, including international policy;

2.3.4. organize or participate in international volunteer programs in accordance with the statutory tasks;

2.3.5. organize and participate in the celebration of remarkable dates of supporters of peace, as well as those related to political, cultural, international, etc. events, involving governmental and non-governmental organizations, educational, scientific and cultural institutions, including regular and solemn events, Days of Peace, grand meetings of the NGO UPC Presidium;

2.3.6. organize and hold independently, as well as together with domestic and foreign partners, peace cruises, teleconferences, round tables, meetings that will promote mutual understanding, establish friendly relations between participants, citizens of other countries;

2.3.7. join Ukrainian and international non-governmental organizations, establish, develop and maintain business contacts with international institutions under the Council of Europe, the EEC, political and analytical centers, investment and charitable funds, political parties, municipal and veterans' organizations, other organizations and enterprises, using communication means, the Internet, meetings, conferences, seminars, festivals, exhibitions;

2.3.8. freely disseminate information about its activities, promote its purpose (purposes), popularize its name, statutory activities, symbols by involving various Ukrainian and international institutions in various non-commercial PR (public relations) campaigns, using the capabilities of the Ukrainian and international mass media, printing publications, propaganda and advertising materials related to the statutory objectives of NGO UPC, web pages, without making a profit;

2.3.9. establish, award prizes, scholarships and honorary titles of NGO UPC, as well as facilitate their granting;

2.3.10. promote patronage, sponsorship and charitable activities;

2.3.11. promote charitable health insurance;

2.3.12. facilitate the collection of voluntary donations, non-refundable financial assistance and contributions in cash and in the form of tangible and intangible assets from citizens of Ukraine, foreigners, stateless persons, legal entities (residents and non-residents), foreign countries, domestic and international organizations and institutions, without the purpose of making a profit;

2.3.13. establish or participate in the foundation of mass media (publishing houses, radio and television programs, channels, create or establish non-commercial information and cultural publishing and printing centers)

2.3.14. engage, in accordance with the procedure established by current legislation, in necessary entrepreneurial activity directly or through the establishment of legal entities (companies, enterprises) if such activity complies with the purpose(s) of NGO UPC and contributes to its achievement.

2.3.15. assume and exercise all the powers of the owner (possession, use, disposal) in terms of the property, including appliances, furniture, equipment, machinery, inventory, low-value non-current assets, buildings, structures, vehicles, land plots, intangible assets, funds, securities, bank deposits, other passive income and property transferred to NGO UPC, as well as property built and acquired by the NGO UPC both in Ukraine and abroad in accordance with the procedure established by law to enforce statutory provisions and maintain the organization, without making a profit;

2.3.16. participate on a voluntary basis or establish public unions, enterprises and organizations, including joint and international ones of various organizational and legal forms and forms of ownership provided for in legislation, to engage in economic, commercial and non-commercial activities in Ukraine and abroad; participate in the creation of their authorized capital (including funds, property, equipment, etc.), conclude agreements on cooperation and mutual assistance;

2.3.17. establish their separate subdivisions on the territory of Ukraine without the status of a legal entity;

2.3.18. represent and protect the rights and legitimate interests of its members or other persons in any organs of state power, including courts, law enforcement agencies, organs of local self-government, enterprises, institutions and organizations of all forms of ownership and jurisdiction;

2.3.19. enter into contracts and agreements - in accordance with the established procedure - with Ukrainian and international organizations, companies, enterprises, scientific institutions, various legal entities and individuals, required for the fulfillment of statutory tasks;

2.3.20. be a party to civil relations governed by law, acquire property and non-property rights in accordance with the legislation.

2.3.21. ideologically and organizationally support other associations of citizens, assist at their establishment and activities;

2.3.22. publish scientific and methodological outcomes of the activities of NGO UPC; conduct information and explanatory work.

2.3.23. receive public information in the possession of public authorities and other public information managers in accordance with the established procedure;

2.3.24. participate in the implementation of the state regulatory policy in accordance with the legislation of Ukraine;

2.3.25. apply to organs of state power, organs of local self-government, their officials and employees, submitting proposals (comments), applications (petitions) and complaints, in accordance with the procedure established by legislation;

2.3.26. receive public information in the possession of public authorities and other public information managers in accordance with the procedure established by legislation, which is necessary for fulfillment of its purpose and tasks;

2.3.27. participate, in accordance with the procedure established by legislation, in the elaboration of draft legal acts issued by government authorities, organs of local self-government and related to the scope of activities of NGO UPC as well as to the important issues of state and public life;

2.3.28. participate in the work of advisory, consultative and other subsidiary bodies established by state authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, organs of local self-government, in accordance with the procedure established by legislation, to hold consultations with public associations and draft recommendations with respect to issues about activities of NGO UPC;

2.3.29. receive assistance in the form of funds or property provided gratuitously in the form of membership fees, non-refundable financial assistance, donations, grants as well as independently decide on their use in accordance with the provisions of the present Statute and the legislation of Ukraine;

2.3.30. receive buildings, equipment, vehicles and other property necessary for the fulfillment of the statutory tasks of NGO UPC on the terms of lease or temporary free use;

2.3.31. open accounts in national and foreign currencies at banks;

2.3.32. provide gratuitous help in rendering services, performing work, and supplying free meals for the benefit and in the interests of people in order to improve the financial situation, treatment, nutrition, socio-psychological and physical rehabilitation of the persons:

1. who have suffered from:

- armed conflicts, including war veterans, families of the deceased, refugees, victims of war;
- environmental and man-made disasters, natural disasters, the Chernobyl disaster;

2. low-income groups of Ukraine's population;

3. orphans, sick children, children from disadvantaged and low-income families, children in boarding schools, educational, medical and health care institutions;

4. patients, including mentally ill, who are in hospitals, boarding schools, shelters, etc;

5. veterans of the peacekeeping movement, cultural, scientific, sports, educational, political and public figures;

6. promote assistance to institutions (boarding houses of various types, social, educational, medical and healthcare institutions) in the form of free food, certain products, as well as improve the nutritional conditions for persons staying in these institutions;

2.3.33. determine forms, volumes and amounts of material assistance (in cash and other forms, including in-kind) to those who need it;

2.3.34. participate in the establishment of social welfare institutions for citizens of Ukraine;

2.3.35. facilitate the attraction of investment projects, grants, humanitarian, technical, financial assistance to Ukraine aimed at construction, renovation, support of environmental enterprises, measures to improve the ecological environment in Ukraine, mass media, cultural, information, publishing and printing centers, new technologies.

2.3.36. exercise other rights provided for in the legislation of Ukraine.

III. Procedure for granting and suspending membership; rights and obligations of NGO UPC members

3.1. Membership in NGO UPC is voluntary, it may be individual and honorary.

3.2. Individual members can be individuals who have reached the age of 16 and are citizens of Ukraine, foreigners or stateless persons staying legally in Ukraine, recognize the Statute of NGO UPC and contribute to its activities aimed at achieving the purpose and tasks of the Organization. Underage persons may not be elected to the steering and controlling bodies of NGO UPC.

Honorary members of NGO UPC may be Ukrainian or foreign citizens who have major achievements in the realm of political, public, scientific, educational, cultural, sports, entrepreneurial activities, or who have made a weighty contribution to peacekeeping and charitable activities.

3.3 No one shall be forced to join the Organization. Membership or non-membership in the Organization shall have no ground for restricting the rights and freedoms of any person or for granting any benefits and advantages to him/her by public authorities, other state bodies, organs of local self-government.

3.4. All members of NGO UPC are equal in the exercise of their rights and obligations.

3.5. Activists of other non-governmental organizations, political and business circles, who are not NGO UPC members but they actively cooperate with it, may be elected to the NGO UPC Presidium on an honorary basis.

3.6. Membership in NGO UPC is granted on the basis of a written application to the Chairperson and by the decision of the Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium, which is made within one month from the date of submission of the application. The Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium of NGO UPC has the right to refuse membership in the Organization to a person. The Presidium, the Bureau of the Presidium of NGO UPC have the right to delegate the right to grant membership to separate subdivisions of NGO UPC or other statutory bodies.

3.7 Applications shall be submitted to the separate subdivisions of NGO UPC, the Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium of NGO UPC.

3.8. Members of NGO UPC may:

- participate in the activities of NGO UPC, directly or through their representatives;
- elect and be elected to the steering bodies of NGO UPC and its structural subdivisions;
- offer suggestions to all bodies of NGO UPC about issues related to its activities;
- receive information about the activities of NGO UPC, directly or through their representatives;
- withdraw freely from NGO UPC upon his/her own written application;
- participate in the work of permanent and temporary commissions established by a decision of the authorized bodies of the Organization;
- make inquiries and submit proposals on issues related to the activities of the Organization to NGO UPC bodies, and receive replies;
- appeal against decisions, actions, inaction of the steering bodies of NGO UPC, submit applications, lodge objections and complaints against their decisions to the Presidium and demand consideration of complaints and applications at the Conference;
 - apply to NGO UPC bodies for assistance in protecting their rights and legitimate interests;
- uphold and disseminate freely ideas and proposals about the issues discussed by NGO UPC until decisions on these issues are made;

- exercise other rights provided for in the present Statute and in-house regulations.

3.9. 3.9. Members of NGO UPC shall:

- observe the provisions of the Statute, implement the decisions of the steering bodies of the URM NGO;

- promote the work and statutory activities of NGO UPC both in Ukraine and abroad;

- prevent actions that cause material or moral damage to NGO UPC;

- contribute to the fulfillment of the tasks of NGO UPC;

- timely pay admission and membership fees in the amounts and within the terms established by the NGO UPC Presidium; members of the Organization under the age of 18 do not pay admission and membership fees.

3.10. Membership in UPC is terminated in the following cases:

3.10.1. withdrawal from the Organization of his/her own free will;

3.10.2. expulsion from the Organization, by the decision of the Presidium, due to violation of the requirements of the present Statute, committing actions that are detrimental to NGO UPC, or if member's activities contradict the purpose and tasks of NGO UPC, or if the member has lost contact with the Organization without good reason or for systematic non-payment of membership fees;

3.10.3. death of a NGO UPC member.

3.10.4. withdrawal from NGO UPC is made upon a written application of a member of the Organization to the Chairperson of NGO UPC. Membership in the public organization shall be suspended from the date of the submission of such an application and shall not require additional decisions.

3.11. Grounds for expulsion from the membership in NGO UPC:

- repeated violations of the requirements of the Statute;

- non-participation in the activities of NGO UPC in person or through a representative for at least 12 (twelve) months;

- non-payment of membership fees during the past year.

3.11.1. expulsion shall be decided by the NGO UPC Presidium by the majority of votes of its members.

3.11.2. a UPC member shall not vote when UPC considers issues related to the execution of a transaction as well as to a dispute between the member and the Organization.

IV. Steering and executive bodies of NGO UPC

4.1. NGO UPC is administered on the principles of democracy, transparency, the electivity of steering bodies, subordination and executive discipline, taking account of the regulatory documents of the Organization.

4.2. There are established as steering bodies of the NGO UPC:

- Conference of Members of the Organization
- Presidium
- Bureau of the Presidium
- NGO UPC Chairperson.

4.3. Meetings of the steering bodies of NGO UPC (Conference, Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium) may be held both with the direct participation of members (their authorized representatives by proxy) and via the Internet, using audiovisual computer programs, online conferences.

The decision on the manner of holding a meeting is made by the Chairperson, First Deputy, full-time deputy, notifying the members of NGO UPC of the decision no later than 10 days before the date of a meeting (Conference, Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium).

Any meeting of steering bodies shall be recorded in the minutes. The manner of the meeting shall be specified in the minutes: if the meeting was held via the Internet, the minutes shall specify which computer program was used to hold the meeting.

4.4. Conference

4.4.1. The supreme steering body of NGO UPC is the Conference of its members.

4.4.2. The Conference is attended by UPC members in person or through an authorized representative by proxy. Each member of UPC has one vote. The Conference shall be deemed valid if the majority of Organization's members are present.

4.4.3. Regular Conferences shall be convened at least once every five years by the UPC Presidium. The relevant decision, indicating the date, time, place and items on the agenda, shall be notified to UPC members no later than 30 days before the date of the Conference. The Conference discusses the issues submitted for its consideration by the Presidium, the Chairperson of the Organization, as well as the members of the Organization.

Representation quotas and the procedure for electing delegates to the Conference, as well as the date, place, time and agenda shall be determined by the Presidium of NGO UPC.

4.4.4. Extraordinary Conferences shall be convened by the Presidium in the case of circumstances affecting the vital interests of the Organization, as well as in other cases provided for in this Statute and the legislation of Ukraine, within 30 days from the date of occurrence of the relevant circumstances. In this case, the decision of the NGO UPC Presidium, indicating the date, time, venue and items on the agenda, shall be notified to the members of the Organization no later than 14 days before the date of the Conference.

4.4.5. No less than one tenth of the members of the Organization shall have the right to apply to the Presidium for convocation of an extraordinary Conference. If the request of the members of the Organization to convene the Conference is not granted, these members may convene the Conference themselves.

4.4.6. The powers of the NGO UPC Conference include:

4.4.6.1. determination of concepts, perspective guidelines of NGO UPC activities, ways and forms of solving statutory purposes and tasks, approval of its plans and reports on their fulfillment;

4.4.6.2. introducing and approving amendments to the constituent documents of NGO UPC, information about the Organization;

4.4.6.3. approval of samples of seals, stamps, symbols and other templates of Organization's details;

4.4.6.4. decision on the termination of the activities of UPC, and taking related measures;

4.4.6.5. election of a liquidation commission, approval of a liquidation balance sheet;

4.4.6.6. election for a term of five years and recall of a Chairperson, the Presidium and the auditing committee of NGO UPC or certain members of the Presidium and the auditing committee;

4.4.6.7. approval of changes in the composition of the Presidium and the auditing committee of NGO UPC, which are made by the Presidium in accordance with the procedure established by the present Statute;

4.4.6.8. adoption and approval of the time-limit of the Conference;

4.4.6.9. awarding the title of "Honorary Member of UPC" on the nomination of the Presidium;

4.4.6.10. disbandment of separate subdivisions of NGO UPC;

4.4.6.11. decision on the transfer of part of its powers to the Presidium of NGO UPC;

4.4.6.12. establishing the procedure and methods for exercising the right of ownership and exercising control thereof;

4.4.6.13. resolving any issues of the statutory activities of the UPC.

4.4.7. The decisions of the Conference shall be deemed adopted if a majority of the participants present at the Conference voted for them, unless the Conference establishes a different procedure. Regarding issues set forth in clauses 4.4.6.2. and 4.4.6.4., a Conference resolution shall be deemed adopted if at least three-fourths of the present participants of the Conference vote for it. In addition, three-fourths of the votes of the members of the Organization may decide on the alienation of the property of the Organization in the amount of fifty percent or more of the property of the Organization.

4.4.8. The Conference shall be chaired by a member elected by the Conference as Chairperson of the Conference. The proceedings of the Conference shall be recorded in minutes. The minutes shall be kept by the Secretary of the Conference, who is elected by the Conference, and signed by the Chairperson and the Secretary of the Conference.

4.4.9. The Conference adopts resolutions that shall be drawn up in the form of minutes. Resolutions adopted by the Conference in compliance with the requirements of the present Statute, in-house documents and legislation of Ukraine shall be binding on all other steering bodies of the Organization and members of the Organization.

Resolutions passed by the Conference shall take effect from the moment of their adoption, unless otherwise determined by the Conference.

4. 5. Presidium of NGO UPC.

4.5.1. For a period between the Conferences, the steering body of the NGO UPC shall be the Presidium, which is formed from among NGO UPC members elected to it by the NGO UPC Conference for a term of five years, and the Presidium is exercising administrative functions in its current organizational activities.

4.5.2. The Presidium is accountable exclusively to the NGO UPC Conference and organizes the implementation of its resolutions. The Presidium shall act on behalf of the Organization within the limits provided for in this Statute, in-house documents and current legislation.

4.5.3. The Chairperson of the Presidium is the Head of the Organization elected by the Conference.

4.5.4. The structure of the Presidium and its composition shall be approved by the Conference. The procedure for electing NGO UPC members to the Presidium is carried out by open ballot, in which each Conference delegate has one vote. Members of the Presidium are accountable to the Conference and are responsible for the activities of the Organization and the proper performance of their duties. The Presidium reports to the members of the Organization at the Conference of the Organization.

4.5.5. The Presidium has no fixed number of members..

4.5.6. For the period between the Conferences, the Presidium shall have the sole power to elect new members to it, as well as to remove already elected members, with mandatory reporting on this at the next Conference of NGO UPC.

4.5.7. The Presidium may not independently elect more than 30 percent of the members of the number elected by the Conference.

4.5.8. The Presidium, upon the proposal of the Chairperson, may elect his/her deputies from among its members. At least one Deputy Chairperson of NGO UPC shall be a full-time employee of NGO UPC.

4.5.9. Honorary members may be elected to the Presidium by the Conference or by the Presidium.

4.5.10. A member of the Presidium may not simultaneously be a member of the auditing committee.

4.5.11. Underage or incapable persons may not be elected to the Presidium.

4.5.12. The Presidium engages in its activities by holding regular and extraordinary meetings.

4.5.13. All issues within the competence of the Presidium shall be resolved collectively at meetings of the Presidium.

4.5.14. Regular meetings of the Presidium shall be convened by the Chairperson or, on his/her behalf, by the Deputy Chairperson and shall be held as necessary, but at least once in every year.

4.5.15. The members of the Presidium shall be notified of a regular meeting, date, place and time thereof, as well as of the items on the agenda, 10 days prior to the meeting.

4.5.16. Extraordinary meetings of the Presidium shall be convened by the Chairperson of the Organization on the initiative of one third of the members of the Presidium or directly at the request of the majority of the members of the Presidium. A Bureau of the Presidium shall be competent if the majority of its members are present.

4.5.17. The Secretariat shall ensure the activities of the Presidium, arrange its meetings, as well as keep minutes and document the results of the meetings of the Presidium.

4. 5.18. The Secretariat shall notify the members of the Presidium of the draft agenda, date, time and place of the next meeting.

4.5.19. The form of notification shall be chosen by the Secretariat (by any means of communication: facsimile, video conferencing, chat, Internet, telephone message, registered or certified letter, etc.)

4.5.20. Meetings of the Presidium shall be chaired by the Chairperson, and in the absence of the Chairperson, on his/her behalf, by one of his/her deputies.

Meetings of the Presidium shall be attended by its members in person or through an authorized representative by proxy. Decisions of the Presidium shall be adopted by voting by a majority of votes of those present. Each member of the Presidium has one vote. In case of a tie, the Chairperson of the Organization shall have a casting vote.

A Bureau of the Presidium shall be deemed competent if at least half of its members are present, including written proxies from other members authorizing to represent them and vote.

4.5.21. A Bureau of the Presidium shall be deemed incompetent if both the Chairperson and a full-time deputy are absent.

4.5.22. On the initiative of the Chairperson, resolutions of the Presidium may be adopted without convening it by means of questioning individually the members of the Presidium about their decision on the issues submitted for consideration by the Presidium. The members of the Presidium may deliver their decisions orally or in writing. These decisions shall be recorded in the minutes.

4.5.23. Heads of separate subdivisions of UPC or their appointed deputy may participate in meetings of the Presidium without the right to cast a deciding vote.

4.5.24. Each member of the Presidium may take the initiative to make decisions on any issues within the competence of the Board.

4.5.25. The results of the meetings of the Presidium shall be formalized by resolutions signed by the Chairperson, First or full-time Deputy Chairperson. The progress of the meeting, issues proposed for consideration and discussed at it shall be recorded in the minutes. The minutes of Presidium meetings shall be kept by the Secretariat.

4.5.26. The Presidium shall have the following powers:

1. To organize the implementation of the decisions of the Conference.
2. To convene the Conference and draw up its agenda, prepare materials for the agenda, preliminary review of all issues within the competence of the Conference and prepare draft resolutions on these issues for the meeting; to set the date of the Conference and the quotas of representation in the Conference.
3. To draft and submit recommendations to the Conference with respect to establishing the guidelines for Organization's activities, approving plans and reports on their implementation, and other suggestions concerning Organization's activities.
4. To approve current plans of NGO UPC activities and measures necessary for their implementation.
5. To prepare annual reports on the activities of NGO UPC, including those on the attraction and use of funds and property of the Organization; to prepare reports on the implementation of programs and projects of the Organization and submit to the Conference for approval.
6. To report to the Conference on the work of the Presidium for a period under review, acting as Deputy Chairperson for and on behalf of the Chairperson.
7. To establish the number of candidates for Deputy Chairperson upon the proposal of the Chairperson, determine their powers and approve them.
8. To approve samples of seals, stamps, letterheads, symbols, certificates, honorary rewards, awards, diplomas, etc., and report to the next Conference.
9. To make decisions on the establishment and liquidation of organizations of NGO UPC.
10. To make decisions, on behalf of the organization, about the establishment and liquidation of enterprises, institutions, organizations, other commercial and non-profit entities.
11. To make decisions on the NGO UPC entry into and its withdrawal from charitable foundations, unions, associations, etc.
12. To adopt Regulations for NGO UPC awards, programs, projects, areas of statutory activities, distribution of receipts.
13. To approve the report of the Secretariat on the receipts and use of funds for the organization's activities.
14. To approve estimates for administrative and management expenditure, projects and programs.
15. To design measures to promote and popularize the activities of NGO UPC, extend its influence on and enhance its prestige among the Ukrainian and world public.
16. To design measures aimed at implementing the decisions of the Conference, work out the strategy and tactics of NGO UPC, make statements on its behalf.
17. To establish public committees on the main activities of NGO UPC and coordinate their work:
 - elect persons who head the public committees;
 - public committees of NGO UPC shall engage in their activities on the basis of standard regulations for public committees, which are approved by the Presidium or Bureau of the Presidium of NGO UPC;

- the list of public committees shall be approved by the Presidium of NGO UPC;
- Heads report the activities of the committees to the Presidium or the Bureau of the Presidium of NGO UPC;

18. To consider the question about admission of new members to the NGO UPC or suspension of membership.

19. To determine the amount and frequency of payment of admission and membership fees.

20. To award the title "Honorary Member of NGO UPC".

21. To hear information about the activities of separate subdivisions.

22. To approve additions to the structure, duties and work of the Secretariat of NGO UPC, as well as to form other executive bodies if the need arises.

23. To organize practical work on peacemaking events (Peace Days, remembrance vigils, conferences, symposiums, festivals, competitions, cruises and peace marches, concerts, campaigns of solidarity, protests, international fairs, film festivals, exhibitions, auctions, etc.)

24. To establish permanent or temporary executive, working and advisory bodies of NGO UPC, determine their competence and approve their structure, appoint and dismiss their heads. Staff members of executive, working and advisory bodies shall be subject to current legislation on labor, social security and social insurance.

25. To organize the Bureau of the NGO UPC Presidium, whose members are elected by the Presidium, in order to solve the current issues of NGO UPC activities between the meetings of the Presidium.

26. To delegate part of its powers to the Bureau of the Presidium.

27. Members of the NGO UPC Presidium may participate in meetings of the Bureau of the NGO UPC Presidium and have the right to vote.

28. To elect members to the Presidium and remove members from it if the need arises, but no more than 30 percent of the total number of members of the Presidium elected to it by the Conference, reporting this to the next Conference without fail.

29. To approve in-house regulations.

30. To appoint an acting Chairperson for a term until the next Conference in case of the resignation of the NGO UPC Chairperson.

31. In case of recall or dismissal of the full-time Deputy Chairman, to agree, upon the proposal of the NGO UPC Chairperson, on the appointment of another member of the NGO UPC Presidium.

32. In case of withdrawal of a member from the Bureau of the Presidium, to replace him/her on the Bureau by another member of the Presidium.

33. To reverse the decisions of the steering bodies and executive officers of separate subdivisions.

34. To establish a liquidation commission, which shall take all appropriate measures in case of the NGO UPC liquidation.

35. To exercise certain functions in terms of property management by decision of the Conference.

36. To resolve other issues except those within the exclusive competence of the Conference.

4.6. Bureau of the NGO UPC Presidium

4.6.1. the Bureau of the NGO UPC Presidium manages activities within a period between the meetings of the Presidium.

4.6.2. The Bureau of the Presidium shall be composed of the members of the NGO UPC Presidium in the number determined by the Presidium, but no less than five persons.

4.6.3. Members of the Bureau of the Presidium are elected by the Presidium for a term of five years.

4.6.4. The Bureau of the Presidium shall include the First Deputy Chairperson and the full-time Deputy Chairperson of NGO UPC.

4.6.5. Meetings of the Bureau of the Presidium shall be convened by the First Deputy Chairperson or the full-time Deputy Chairperson as necessary and shall be valid if more than half of the members of the Bureau are present. Meetings of the Bureau of the Presidium may be held both with the direct participation of members (their authorized representatives by proxy) and via Internet communication, using audiovisual computer programs for online conferences.

The decision on the manner of holding this meeting shall be made by the Chairperson, First Deputy Chairperson, and full-time Deputy Chairperson who notify the members of the Bureau of the Presidium about the decision no later than 10 days before the date of the meeting.

4.6.6. A meeting of the Bureau of the Presidium shall be deemed incompetent if the First Deputy Chairperson and the full-time Deputy Chairperson are not present at the meeting.

4.6.7. Members of the NGO UPC Presidium may participate in the meetings of the Bureau of the Presidium and have the right to vote.

4.6.8. Decisions of the Bureau of the Presidium may be made both at its meetings and by polling its members.

4.6.9. Decisions of the Bureau of the Presidium shall be made by open ballot, by a simple majority of votes of its members present at the meeting, taking account of the votes of the members of the NGO UPC Presidium who are not members of the Bureau of the Presidium.

4.6.10. The results of the meetings of the Bureau of the Presidium shall be formalized by decisions signed by one of the Deputies of the Chairperson.

4.6.11. The Bureau of the Presidium shall report the implementation of its decisions to the Presidium.

4.6.12. The Bureau of the Presidium shall have the following powers:

- To organize the implementation of the decisions of the Conference and the Presidium of NGO UPC;
- To manage efficiently the activities of the organization;
- To approve Regulations and in-house acts required for the current work;
- To consider and approve projects and programs, certain areas of statutory activities, distribution of receipts, reporting this to the next meeting of the Presidium without fail;
- To approve estimates of administrative and economic expenditure, projects and programs, reports of the Secretariat on the use of funds;
- To make decisions on the entry of NGO UPC into and its withdrawal from charitable foundations, unions, associations, etc;
- To design and approve measures to promote and popularize the activities of the Organization, extend its influence and enhance its prestige among the world and Ukrainian public;
- To make statements on topical issues in accordance with statutory activities;
- To design and approve measures aimed at carrying out the decisions of the Conference and the Presidium, work out the strategy and tactics of NGO UPC, make statements on its behalf;
- To adopt addenda to the duties and work of the Secretariat if necessary;
- To organize practical work on peacemaking events (Peace Days, remembrance vigils, conferences, symposiums, festivals, competitions, cruises and peace marches, concerts, campaigns of solidarity, protests, international fairs, film festivals, exhibitions, auctions, etc.)
- To establish permanent or temporary working bodies of NGO UPC, determine their competence and approve their structure, appoint and dismiss their heads;
- To delegate a part of its powers to the First Chairperson and the full-time Deputy Chairperson of NGO UPC;
- To represent NGO UPC in relations with other governmental and non-governmental organizations;
- To control the activities of the Secretariat;

- To approve samples of seals, stamps, letterheads, other details, symbols, certificates, awards, diplomas, honorary rewards, etc., reporting this to the next meeting of the Presidium without fail;
- To ensure financial and economic activities of the organization;
- To exercise other powers of the Presidium within the limits determined by it.

4.7. NGO UPC Chairperson

4.7.1. The NGO UPC Chairperson shall manage efficiently the affairs, property and funds of the Organization within the limits established by the present Statute, the Conference and the Presidium as well as ensure the implementation of their decisions within his/her competence and authority.

4.7.2. The NGO UPC Chairperson shall be elected from among the most active, influential and respected members of the UPC for a term of five years and dismissed by the Conference. The Chairperson serves ex officio as head of the Presidium and its member and shall have the right to submit proposals to the Conference and the Presidium of the Organization on any aspect of Organization's activities.

4.7.3. The Chairperson may not be a full-time employee of NGO UPC.

4.7.4. The Chairperson has deputies, at least one of whom is a full-time employee.

The Deputies of the Chairperson are members of the Presidium. The powers, duties and rights of the deputies shall be determined by the Presidium upon the proposal of the Chairperson.

4.7.5. The NGO UPC Chairperson shall have the following powers:

- To act on behalf of the Organization without proxy and represent the NGO UPC in all foreign relations;
- To represent NGO UPC in relations with legal entities and natural persons, including organs of state power and administration, public non-governmental and charitable organizations of Ukraine and other countries;
- To act as manager of Organization's funds and property, conclude and sign business and other agreements, contracts on behalf of the Organization, issue proxies to perform actions and have representation on behalf of the Organization;
- To head the Presidium, convene its meetings and preside over them;
- To make statements on behalf of NGO UPC;
- To submit proposals for the number of Deputies of the Chairperson to the Presidium for approval;
- To submit proposals for all issues of UPC activities to the Conference and the Presidium for consideration;
- To issue orders on all issues related to the UPC activities , which do not contradict the decisions of the Conference and the Presidium;
- To resolve other issues of Organization's activities in accordance with the purpose and main tasks of its operations, which lie within its competence by the in-house documents of the Organization and the present Statute, make other decisions on these issues or perform other actions except those within the competence of other steering bodies of the Organization, the Presidium and the Conference;
- To report his/her work and operations of the Presidium to the Conference of the Organization at regular Conferences;
- To formalize the decision of the Chairperson of the Organization in the format of orders or instructions;

- To present a report at a regular Conference. The ad-hoc report shall be made at the request of at least one third of NGO UPC members;
- The Chairperson may delegate a part of his/her powers to deputies.

4.7.6. The Chairperson of the Organization may be removed from office by a decision of the Conference on the initiative of a majority of the members of the Presidium before the expiration of the term for which he or she was elected in the following cases:

- at his/her own request on the basis of a written application submitted to the Presidium;
- in case of repeated violation of the requirements of the Statute of the Organization;
- if his/her actions caused material or moral damage to NGO UPC.

4.7.7. In case the Chairperson of the Organization cannot assume his/her duties for more than 6 (six) months, the NGO UPC Presidium shall convene an extraordinary Conference to discuss the situation and a question concerning Organization's administration.

4.8. First Deputy Chairperson of NGO UPC:

- is approved by the NGO UPC Presidium on the proposal of the Chairperson;
- is a member of the Presidium and the Bureau of the Presidium;
- has the right to sign financial documents of NGO UPC, as well as to approve projects and programs, areas of statutory activities, estimates of receipts and expenditure for the maintenance of the organization, staffing, distribution of receipts, other regulations, after the decision of the Presidium or the Bureau of the Presidium of NGO UPC;
- acts on behalf of the Organization on the instructions of the Chairperson without proxy, represents it before legal entities and natural persons in Ukraine and abroad, participates in international events held in Ukraine and abroad, promotes the establishment of international relations;
- manage the work of NGO UPC;
- may not be a full-time employee of NGO UPC;
- makes statements on the topical issues of NGO UPC statutory activities on the instructions of the Chairperson;
- coordinates the activities of the Organization in accordance with the decisions of the Conference, the Presidium and the statutory tasks;
- signs statements, other acts of NGO UPC statutory activities on the instructions of the Chairperson;
- may act as the manager of projects and programs implemented by NGO UPC;
- coordinates the activities of public committees;
- may exercise a part of the powers of the Chairperson on his/her instructions;
- is appointed and dismissed from office upon the proposal of the Chairman and by the decision of the NGO UPC Presidium;
- The NGO UPC Presidium may confer other powers.

4.9. Deputy Chairperson of NGO UPC (full-time) - Director:

- is approved by the Presidium on the proposal of the Chairperson;
- is a full-time employee of NGO UPC;
- is a member of the Presidium and the Bureau of the Presidium;

- is guided in its activities by the decisions of the Conference, the NGO UPC Chairperson, the Presidium, the Bureau of the Presidium, the current legislation of Ukraine, the Statute, and other in-house regulations;
- organizes Secretariat operations;
- administers the work of NGO UPC and the staff of the Secretariat;
- may sign financial documents of NGO UPC, as well as approve projects and programs, areas of statutory activities, estimates of receipts and expenditure for the maintenance of the organization, reports on the implementation of projects and programs, staffing, distribution of receipts, other regulations, after the decision of the Presidium or the Bureau of the Presidium;
- acts without proxy on behalf of the Organization, represent it before legal entities and natural persons in Ukraine and abroad, participate in international events held in Ukraine and abroad, promote the establishment of international relations;
- makes statements on topical issues of NGO UPC statutory activities on the instructions of the Chairperson;
- coordinates NGO UPC activities in accordance with the decisions of the Conference, the Presidium, the Bureau of the Presidium and NGO UPC statutory tasks;
- signs statements and other acts of NGO UPC statutory activities on the instructions of the Chairperson;
- may act as a manager of projects and programs implemented by NGO UPC;
- coordinates the activities of public committees;
- may exercise a part of the powers of the Chairperson on his/her instructions;
- opens current and other accounts in hryvnia or foreign currency with banks and credit institutions;
- issues instructions, orders, regulations, rules and other in-house acts and documents within its competence, which are binding on all staff members of NGO UPC;
- administers the property of UPC, including funds, within the limits of his/her authority;
- concludes contracts and agreements on behalf of UPC;
- organizes document processing, record keeping, accounting and reporting of the Organization.
- hires, transfers, suspends and dismisses employees of the Organization, provides incentives for and imposes penalties on them, approves job responsibilities of Organization's employees.
- signs financial, tax, statistical documents and reports;
- reports the use of funds for the maintenance of the organization and statutory activities to the Presidium, the Bureau of the Presidium;
- submits quarterly and annual financial reports to the Presidium and the Bureau of the Presidium for approval;
- makes other decisions required to achieve the purposes of NGO UPC, except those that lie within the exclusive competence of the Conference, the Presidium, the Bureau of the Presidium, according to the Statute;
- is appointed and removed from office upon the proposal of the Chairman and by the decision of the NGO UPC Presidium;
- may submit proposals for statutory, financial and economic activities of NGO UPC to the Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium for consideration;
- may delegate a part of his/her powers to the staff of the Secretariat, with the concurrence of the Chairperson or the Bureau of the Presidium;
- The NGO UPC Presidium may confer other powers.

4.10. The Secretariat

4.10.1. The executive body of NGO UPC is its Secretariat, which directly engages in the current activities of NGO UPC; its structure and staffing is determined by the Presidium.

4.10.2. The Secretariat shall be directly administered by the NGO UPC Deputy Chairperson (full-time Director).

4.10.3. Staff members of the Secretariat shall be employed and dismissed by the NGO UPC Deputy Chairperson (full-time Director).

4.10.4. The Secretariat may include non-staff employees (under labor contracts, agreements, etc.).

4.10.5. The Secretariat shall deal with all matters of NGO UPC current activities, except those within the exclusive competence of the Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium.

4.10.6. The Secretariat:

- ensures the operations of steering bodies, organizes the implementation of their decisions; drafts estimates for funds, regulations, projects, in-house acts of NGO UPC;
- engages in the current financial and economic activities of the Organization in accordance with the decisions of the Presidium, the Bureau of the Presidium, and by Law;
- organizes accounting and reporting of NGO UPC, preparation of reports on Organization's budget performance;
- deals with other matters related to the current activities of NGO UPC.

4.10.7. The employees of the Secretariat shall be subject to Ukraine's legislation on labor, social security and social insurance.

4.10.8. may involve certain employees in the implementation of projects, programs, statutory activities and other work; establish permanent or temporary executive, working and advisory bodies, working groups on a temporary basis (temporary teams), enlisting freelance or full-time employees, including (part-timers), including NGO UPC members, members of the Presidium of the Organization, with whom contracts and agreements are concluded, and the amount, system, form of remuneration are established. The work may also be done on a voluntary basis.

4.10.9. Employees of the Organization shall be maintained at the expense of the Organization.

4.10.10. If a need arises, the Presidium (Bureau of the Presidium) may adopt separate regulations for the activities of the Secretariat.

4.10.11. The person heading the Secretariat shall be guided in his/her activities by the current legislation of Ukraine, the Statute, and other in-house regulations. In case of recall or dismissal of the person who heads the Secretariat; for a period until a new person is elected to this position, his/her powers are delegated to the Bureau of the Presidium, which may elect a person from its members or from the Presidium to directly exercise these functions.

4.11. Procedure for reporting of NGO UPC steering bodies to its members.

4.11.1. The Organization operates on the principles of transparency, openness and publicity.

4.11.2. Members of the Organization have free access to information about its activities on the official website of NGO UPC, including decisions made (in accordance with the Privacy Policy of the Organization) and events held. The organization and its steering bodies shall provide such access by publishing reports, information, etc. within 30 days after the events have occurred.

4.11.3. NGO UPC steering bodies (Presidium, Bureau of the Presidium, Auditing Commission) report matters related to the exercise of their powers and fulfillment of statutory tasks to the members of the Organization at the report-back election conference.

V. The Auditing Commission.

5.1. The Auditing Commission (hereinafter the "Commission") is the advisory and control body of the Organization, which audits its financial and economic activities.

5.2. In its activities, the Commission shall be guided by the present Statute, decisions of the Conference, other in-house regulations and by Law.

5.3. The Head and members of the Commission shall be elected by the Conference from among NGO UPC members for a term of five years.

5.4. The members of the Commission may not be members of the Presidium or the Executive Body of NGO UPC at the same time. Underage persons, as well as incapable and partly incapable persons, may not be members of the Commission.

5.5. The Commission shall make decisions by a simple majority of votes. Each member of the Commission shall have one vote, and if there is a tie, the Head shall have the deciding vote. The Commission shall be competent if a majority of its members participate in its work.

5.6. The Commission shall be accountable only to the NGO UPC Conference.

5.7. The Auditing Commission has the following powers:

- To submit proposals for financial activities and the use of Organization's assets;

- To draw conclusions in terms of financial activities and the use of Organization's assets before the Presidium approves annual budgets, balance sheets, financial and other reports of Organization's steering bodies;

- To carry out checks on the financial and economic activities of the Organization;
- To submit reports of checks and audits to the Conference for making appropriate decisions;
- To initiate the convocation of an extraordinary Conference;
- To approve the annual plan for the activities of the Auditing Commission.

5.8. If the need arises, the Commission may demand relevant materials, accounting and other documents from the officials of the URM NGO.

5.9. The Commission shall render methodological assistance to the audit committees of enterprises and organizations established by NGO UPC.

5.10. The Commission shall report the results of its audits to the Presidium.

5.11. The Commission may enlist independent experts in its operations.

5.12. The Commission shall demand the extraordinary convocation of the Conference in case of a threat to the vital interests of the Organization or the detection of abuses committed by NGO UPC officials.

5.13. The Auditing Commission is headed by the Chairperson, who:

- administers Commission operations;
- convenes regular and extraordinary meetings of the Commission;
- signs documents concerning the results of Commission's work.

5.14. The members of the Commission may participate in the meeting of the Presidium of the Organization without the right to vote but consultative voice.

VI. Procedure for appealing against decisions, actions, inactivity of NGO UPC steering bodies, and for considering complaints.

6.1. A member (members) of the Organization may appeal against decisions, actions, or inactivity of the steering bodies of the Organization.

6.1.1. The initial complaint against the actions, inactivity or decisions of the Chairperson of the Organization is filed with the Presidium, which shall consider the complaint at the next meeting and summon the complaining member of the public association without fail, as well as the Chairperson of the Organization whose actions, inactivity or decisions are being appealed against. If the Presidium rejects the complaint, a repeated complaint is filed with the Conference, which shall consider the complaint at a regular or extraordinary meeting and summon the complaining member without fail, as well as the Chairperson of the Organization whose actions, inactivity or decisions are being appealed against.

6.1.2. Initial complaint against actions, inactivity or decisions of a member of the Presidium is filed with the Chairperson of the Organization, who shall consider the complaint within 20 working days, and summon the complaining member of the public association without fail, as well as the member of the Presidium whose actions, inactivity or decisions are appealed against. If the Chairperson of the Organization rejects the complaint, a repeated complaint is filed with the Conference, which shall examine the complaint at a regular or extraordinary meeting and summon the complaining member without fail, as well as the member of the Presidium whose actions, inactivity or decisions are appealed against. A complaint requiring consideration at an extraordinary Conference shall be grounds for convening this Conference within thirty days from the date of receiving the complaint.

6.1.3. A complaint against actions, inactivity or decisions of the Conference of the Organization shall be filed with the court in accordance with the current legislation at the time of appealing against these actions, inactivity or decisions.

6.2. Among the decisions, actions (inactivity), which may be appealed against, are decisions within the administrative activities of the steering bodies of the organization that entail:

6.2.1. Violating the rights and/or legitimate interests or freedoms of a member of the Organization (group of members of the Organization).

6.2.2. Preventing a member of the Organization from exercising his/her rights and/or legitimate interests or freedoms.

6.2.3. Imposing unlawfully official duties on a member of the Organization or taking unlawfully disciplinary actions against him/her.

VII. Separate subdivisions of NGO UPC

7.1. The Organization may have separate subdivisions that are not legal entities and are formed by the decision of the Conference, the NGO UPC Presidium, the Bureau of the Presidium.

7.2. Regarding their activities, separate subdivisions of the Organization are guided by the Statute of the Organization.

7.3. The heads of separate subdivisions of the Organization are appointed by the Conference, the NGO UPC Presidium for a term of 2 years, and they shall operate by proxy. The heads of separate subdivisions shall be members of the Organization.

7.4. Separate subdivisions have the following powers:

7.4.1. To represent the Organization within the territory under their jurisdiction.

7.4.2. To fulfill the statutory purpose and tasks of the Organization within the territory under their jurisdiction, according to the powers conferred by the decision of the general meeting.

- To organize the implementation of NGO UPC policy documents, decisions of NGO UPC steering bodies and their decisions;

- To work out a strategy and tactics for accomplishing the main tasks of NGO UPC in their regions, implement them, cooperate with public organizations, local authorities and organs of local self-government;

- To arrange events aimed at fulfilling the purpose and main tasks of NGO UPC, implement projects and programs of the Organization;

- To propose their activists as members of NGO UPC steering bodies;

- To disseminate information about the activities of a separate subdivision and the NGO UPC;

7.4.3. To attract new members (participants) by legal means.

7.5. The head of a separate subdivision may:

7.5.1. make decisions on the use of the name and symbols of the Organization to fulfill the tasks of the Organization.

7.5.2. apply to the steering bodies of the Organization for assistance in fulfilling the tasks of the Organization.

7.5.3. attend meetings of the Presidium of the Organization (without the right to vote).

7.5.4. To petition the steering bodies of the Organization.

7.6. The head of a separate subdivision shall:

7.6.1. fulfill the requirements of the Statute of the Organization;

7.6.2. carry out legal decisions of the steering bodies of the Organization, adopted within the requirements of the Statute of the Organization;

7.6.3. avoid actions aimed at humiliating the honor and dignity of members (participants) of the Organization.

7.7. The activities of a separate subdivision may be terminated through its closedown by the decision of the Conference, the Presidium of NGO UPC.

7.8. The Organization shall notify the authorized body for state registration in accordance with the requirements of the current legislation of Ukraine about the closedown of a separate subdivision.

7.9. After the suspension of its activities, property and funds assigned to a separate subdivision shall be transferred directly to the Presidium until a decision on the distribution of property and funds is made by the NGO UPC Conference.

VIII. International cooperation

8.1. In accordance with its statutory tasks, the Organization may maintain international relations and engage in activities in accordance with the procedure established by the present Charter and by the Law of Ukraine.

8.2. The international activities of the Organization are carried out through participation in international projects, work of international organizations, as well as other forms that do not contradict the legislation of Ukraine, rules and principles of international law.

8.3. Engaging in international activities, the Organization is entitled to the full range of rights and obligations of a legal entity.

8.4. The Organization may:

8.4.1. organize the exchange of delegations, organize tournaments, competitions, conferences, exhibitions, fairs with the participation of international partners, send its representatives to participate in relevant events outside Ukraine;

8.4.2. conduct research jointly with international organizations in accordance with the areas of its activities, and publish its outcomes;

8.4.3. implement other joint programs and projects with the participation of international partners and international organizations that do not contradict the current legislation of Ukraine.

IX. Property and funds of NGO UPC

9.1. NGO UPC is a non-entrepreneurial organization. NGO UPC may own movable and immovable property, tangible and intangible assets, have property and non-property rights, funds in the currency of Ukraine and in foreign currency, securities, other legally acquired property, including buildings, structures, equipment, vehicles and other material assets, intellectual property rights, whose acquisition is not prohibited by the current legislation of Ukraine and which are acquired by NGO UPC for statutory purposes, programs and projects, needs for the maintenance of the organization, establishment of organizations and enterprises, ensuring their activities, without the purpose of making a profit.

9.2. NGO UPC gets the right of ownership of funds and property transferred to it in accordance with the established procedure by the government, members, founders; donated, gifted, transferred by citizens, enterprises, institutions and organizations; as well as property acquired at its own expense or on other grounds not prohibited by Law.

9.3. NGO UPC has the right to property and funds received as a result of economic and other commercial activities of self-supporting institutions and organizations established by it, as well as enterprises founded by it.

9.4. NGO UPC may enter into any agreements in terms of property, securities and funds in its ownership that do not contradict the statutory purposes of the Organization and the legislation of Ukraine, as well as provide property for free use under approved projects, use it to form the statutory funds of organizations and enterprises established by NGO UPC.

9.5. NGO UPC does not set up a statutory fund.

9.6. The funds and property of NGO UPC are accumulated through:

- voluntary contributions in the form of non-refundable financial assistance or in the form of funds, tangible assets, property that are made by Ukrainian and international legal entities, residents and non-residents (enterprises, organizations of various forms of ownership and organizational and legal structures of management, public organizations, banks, various credit institutions, exchanges, etc;

- funds, material values, property that are charitable donations or these are bequeathed to NGO UPC;

- funds or property provided gratuitously;

- deductions from the profits of organizations and enterprises established by NGO UPC;

- receipts from the main activities of NGO UPC;

- passive income (interest, dividends);

- grants or subsidies received from the national or local budgets, state trust funds for financial support of programs (projects, events) of the Organization at the expense of the national and local budgets, from the execution of the state order; charitable, humanitarian or technical assistance, including in accordance with international treaties of Ukraine, provided to non-profit organizations;

- receipts from Organization's business activities, business activities of legal entities (companies, enterprises) established by it; receipts from the main activities of the Organization in accordance with present Statute and by Law; property acquired at the expense of own funds or acquired on other grounds not prohibited by Law;

- own funds;

- admission and membership fees;

- grants from Ukrainian and international organizations, other receipts not prohibited by Law.

9.7. Income (profits) or property of the Organization or any part thereof shall not be distributed among its founders (participants), members of the Organization, employees (except payment for their labor, unified social-security taxation), members of steering bodies and other relevant persons.

9.8. The income (profits) and property of the Organization shall be used exclusively to cover the expenses of the maintenance of the Organization, the fulfillment of the purpose (objectives, tasks) and areas of activity set forth in the present Statute.

9.9. The Organization shall be liable for its obligations, using all the property owned by it as collateral. The Organization shall not be liable for the obligations of its members. Members shall not be liable for the obligations of the Organization, unless otherwise provided by Law.

9.10. The Organization shall maintain accounting, statistical, tax accounting, financial statements, register with fiscal authorities and by Law pay taxes and duties to the budget in the amounts in accordance with the established procedure. The organization shall keep all requisite accounting documents concerning domestic and international transactions for at least five years.

9.11. State supervision and control over observance of the Law by the Organization shall be exercised by executive authorities and organs of local self-government in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation of Ukraine.

X. Financial and economic activities. Social guarantees

10.1. NGO UPC enjoys independence in making financial and economic decisions within the framework of current legislation, including the use of its own financial and material resources in particular.

10.2. NGO UPC shall keep funds in national and foreign currency on its bank accounts.

10.3. The funds and property of NGO UPC shall be channeled into statutory activities, establishment of statutory funds of formed enterprises and organizations, ensuring the activities and making outlays for the maintenance of the organization in accordance with the procedure established by the Law of Ukraine "On Public Associations", the present Statute, programs and estimates; as well as into material assistance in cash and in kind to health-maintenance organizations and social institutions, cultural and public education organizations, citizens of Ukraine, without making a profit.

10.4. NGO UPC independently establishes the form, system and amount of remuneration for labor, bonuses, financial aid, as well as other types of income of employees, applying the rules of current legislation.

10.5. All citizens who participate in NGO UPC activities on the basis of a labor contract (agreement), as well as on other grounds, constitute the work collective of the Organization.

10.6. The work collective shall:

- consider and approve a draft collective agreement;
- make and approve the list and procedure for providing employees with social benefits;

10.7. The social and labor rights of NGO UPC employees are guaranteed by Law.

10.8. NGO UPC employees are entitled to social welfare in accordance with the procedure and by the terms of current legislation, NGO UPC makes social security contributions in accordance with the requirements of the legislation of Ukraine, employees of NGO UPC may be provided with financial aid and the interest-free financial assistance that is subject to repayment (loan).

10.9. Local regulations may provide for additional labor and social benefits for NGO UPC employees or some of their categories.

XI. Reporting

11.1. UPC and institutions, enterprises, organizations established by it shall keep operational and accounting records, statistical reports, register with state authorities and make payments to the national budget in accordance with the procedure established by Law.

XII. Procedure for amending the Statute

12.1. The procedure for amending the Statute shall be established by the Statute and the current legislation of Ukraine.

12.2. Amendments to this Statute shall be approved by a decision of the Conference if at least 3/4 of the members of the Organization have voted for it. The authorized body of registration shall be notified of the amendments to statutory documents.

XIII. Reorganization and termination of activities of NGO UPC

13.1. NOG UPC activities are terminated by the decision of the Conference through self-dissolution or reorganization, or by a court decision on the ban (compulsory dissolution) of a public association.

13.2. Termination of the activities of a public association with the status of a legal entity shall result in dissolution of the legal entity.

13.3 An organization may at any time decide to terminate its activities (self-dissolution).

13.4. The decision to dissolve the Organization shall be made by the Conference if at least three-fourths of the present participants in the Conference have voted for it.

The Conference establishes a liquidation commission or entrusts the Presidium with the powers of the liquidation commission in order to dissolve the public organization as a legal entity, as well as decides on the use of funds and property of the public association after its dissolution in accordance with the Statute.


13.5. The Organization shall undergo reorganization by the decision of the Conference, if at least three-fourths of the Conference participants voted for it, through merger, division, absorption or transformation.

13.6. The procedure and legal implications of the termination of the Organization's activities by way of self-dissolution, reorganization or prohibition (compulsory dissolution) of the Organization shall be established in accordance with the present Statute and the current legislation of Ukraine.

13.7. In the case of reorganization, the rights and obligations of NGO UPC shall be transferred to its legal successors, which are identified by the Presidium and approved by the Conference.

13.8. The available funds and other property of NGO UPC shall not be distributed among its members, but used to fulfill its statutory tasks.

13.9. In case of the termination of the Organization as a result of its liquidation (self-dissolution, compulsory dissolution) or reorganization (merger, division, absorption or transformation), its assets shall be transferred to one or more relevant non-profit organizations or posted to a budget income item.


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