



ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

AIR CRASH VICTIMS' FAMILIES' FEDERATION INTERNATIONAL

CHAPTER I - NAME, PURPOSE, REGISTERED OFFICE AND SCOPE

- Article 1 A non-profit Association under Spanish Law¹ is hereby incorporated, with the name *Air Crash Victims' Families' Federation International (ACVFFI)* [*Federación Internacional de Víctimas de Accidentes Aéreos y sus Familia (FIVAAF)*], for an indefinite period, with legal personality and full legal capacity to operate. Any matters not provided for in these Articles of Association shall be governed by said Act.
- Article 2 The purpose of the ACVFFI shall be to contribute to improving the safety of civil aviation and to the advancement of the situation in respect of the rights of families affected by the loss of their loved ones in a major air accident.
- Article 3 In order to fulfil its objectives, the ACVFFI shall maintain a permanent dialogue with the ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) and other national and international organizations with a view to:
- a. improving the protection of victims and families in all areas;
 - b. promoting steps by ICAO Member States to implement assistance plans in accordance with the Policy on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families contained in Doc. 9998 , and to contribute to improving air safety and passengers' rights. In this regard the ACVFFI undertakes to contribute to the implementation of the ICAO Policy (Doc. 9998) by the relevant organizations, airlines and institutions;
 - c. being recognized as an Organization by the ICAO so as to be invited to relevant ICAO meetings and events;
 - d. contributing to the updating of the ICAO Policy on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families.
- Article 4 The ACVFFI establishes its registered office at Calle Pedro Medrano 6, 28029, Madrid, and its territorial scope of action shall be national and international, worldwide.
- Article 5 An ACVFFI logo has been created, and it is agreed that it will be used for purposes of identification and external dissemination.

¹ Organic Act 1/2002 of 22 March on Association Law



CHAPTER II - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- Article 6 The General Assembly is the highest governance body of the ACVFFI, and shall comprise all its members.
- Article 7 General Assemblies may be ordinary or extraordinary. Ordinary General Assemblies shall be held once a year, within each financial year. Extraordinary General Assemblies shall be held whenever circumstances make it advisable in the opinion of the Chairperson, or if one tenth of the members so request in writing.
- Article 8 Call notices for General Assemblies shall be made in writing, indicating the place, date and time of the meeting and its agenda, with specific mention of the matters to be dealt with, and shall be sent by telematics means.
- Article 9 General Assemblies, both ordinary and extraordinary, shall be validly constituted when one third of the members with the right to vote are present. Resolutions shall be passed by simple majority of the Associations present or represented. However, the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members shall be required in order to approve:
- a. The dissolution of the entity.
 - b. Amendments to the Articles of Association, including a change of registered office.
 - c. The acquisition or disposal of any of the Association's fixed assets.
 - d. The remuneration of the members of the representative body.
- Article 10 The General Assembly shall have the power to:
- a. Approve the Board of Director's conducting of the Association's affairs.
 - b. Examine and approve the Association's annual accounts, should there be any.
 - c. Elect the members of the Board of Directors.
 - d. Dissolve the Association.
 - e. Amend the Articles of Association, including changing the registered office.
 - f. Acquire or dispose of assets.
 - g. Agree the remuneration of the members of the Board of Directors, if applicable.
 - h. Approve any other act that is not reserved to another body of the Association.



CHAPTER III - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Article 11 The Federation shall be managed and represented by a Board of Directors consisting of a Chairperson and a Secretary. The Chairperson and the Secretary shall be appointed and removed by the General Assembly, and their term of office shall be five years.

Article 12 The Board of Directors shall meet as often as may be determined by its Chairperson, and positions on the Board shall be honorary unless the General Assembly should decide that they be remunerated.

Article 13 Members of the Board of Directors may resign voluntarily, may be removed in the case of non-compliance with the duties entrusted to them, and shall retire upon the expiry of their term of office. In this latter case, they shall continue to occupy their positions until such time as their successors have accepted and/or a Provisional Board is appointed.

Article 14 The powers of the Board of Directors shall extend, generally, to all acts proper to the objectives of the ACVFFI, providing that, pursuant to these Articles of Association, they do not require the express authorization of the General Assembly.

Specific powers of the Board of Directors are:

- a. To direct the activities of the Federation and to perform its financial and administrative management, agreeing to carry out such acts and sign such contracts as may be appropriate.
- b. To execute the resolutions of the General Assembly.
- c. To draw up and submit the Association's balance sheets and annual accounts, should there be any, for approval by the General Assembly.
- d. To decide on the admission of new members.

Article 15 The Chairperson shall have the following powers:

- a. To represent the Federation legally vis-à-vis all kinds of public or private bodies;
- b. To call, preside over and adjourn meetings of the General Assembly and the Board of Directors, and to direct the deliberations of both; to order payments and authorize documents, records and correspondence with his/her signature;
- c. To adopt any such urgent measures as may prove advisable for the correct operation of the Federation or as may prove necessary or conducive to the proper performance of its activities.



Article 16. The Secretary shall have the following powers:

- a. To direct the purely administrative work of the Federation;
- b. To issue certifications;
- c. To keep the legally established books of the Federation and the register of its members;
- d. To act as custodian for the entity's documentation and ensure compliance with the formal obligations in such terms as may apply legally. The Secretary shall also collect and keep in custody any funds belonging to the entity and execute the payment orders issued by the Chairperson, should there be any.

Article 17 The Board of Directors shall facilitate relations among members by means of telecommunications, given the geographical dispersion of the associations forming the Federation, including the holding of Assemblies and Meetings.

CHAPTER IV - MEMBERS

Article 18 Any non-profit associations interested in developing the aims of the ACVFFI may belong to the Federation.

Article 19 The Federation shall have the following classes of members:

- a. Founders, which shall be those participating in the act of incorporation of the Association.
- b. Members, which shall be those joining subsequently to the incorporation of the Federation and accepting these Articles of Association.
- c. Friends, which shall be those supporting the aims of Federation

Article 20 Member associations may resign voluntarily by communicating this to the Board of Directors in writing, or may be expelled in the event of non-compliance with their obligations.

Article 21 Founder Associations and Members shall have the following rights:

- a. To take part in such activities as may be organized by the Federation in fulfilment of its ends.
- b. To enjoy all such advantages and benefits as the Federation may be able to obtain.
- c. To participate and vote in Assemblies.
- d. To elect and be electable for management positions.
- e. To receive information on the resolutions adopted by the Federation's bodies.
- f. To make suggestions to the members of the Board of Directors with a view to improving the attainment of the entity's goals.



Article 22 Founder Associations and Members shall have the following obligations:

- a. To comply with these Articles of Association and with valid resolutions of the Assemblies and of the Board of Directors.
- b. To attend Assemblies and such other events as may be organized.
- c. To fulfil, where appropriate, such obligations as may be inherent in the position that they occupy.

Article 23 The financial resources envisaged for the pursuit of the Federation's ends and the performance of its activities are the following:

- a. Such subsidies, donations, legacies or inheritances as it may legally receive from its members or from third parties.
- b. Any other lawful resource.

Article 24 The initial equity or endowment of the Federation is €0 (zero euro).

Article 25 The official and financial year of the Association shall be the same as a calendar year, ending on December 31 of each year.

CHAPTER V - DISSOLUTION

Article 26 The ACVFFI shall be dissolved voluntarily when so resolved by an Extraordinary General Assembly called for that purpose.

Article 27 In the event of dissolution, a liquidation committee shall be appointed; once any outstanding liabilities have been settled, any remaining cash surplus shall be applied to purposes that do not detract from the Association's character as a non-profit organization.

In Madrid, on 21 July 2015

(SIGNATURES of all founder members shown as executing the Record. They must also sign in the margin of each page of the Articles of Association).

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