



AUSTRALIA INDONESIA ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES CONSTITUTION

I. NAME AND OBJECTIVES

1. The name of the organisation shall be the Australia - Indonesia Association of New South Wales. Where appropriate the organisation may be referred to simply as the Australia-Indonesia Association.
2. The Australia-Indonesia Association was established for the encouragement of art and literature, to foster and promote friendship, understanding and good relations between the peoples of Australia and Indonesia.
3. The Association will endeavour to achieve this aim by all means within its power and particularly by the promotion among the peoples of Australia and Indonesia of increased knowledge of one another.
4. The Association will endeavour to arrange for the interchange and distribution of information relating to the Australian and Indonesian peoples; for the exchange between Australia and Indonesia of literature, films, cultural exhibitions, recordings and other cultural and educational materials; for hospitality to Indonesia visitors; for addresses by representative speakers; for the study of matter of concern and interest to the Australian and Indonesian peoples, and it will pursue by all available means the education of each of the peoples in knowledge and understanding of the others and their problems.

II. OFFICER AND COMMITTEES

5. A Committee shall be formed which contains the following positions; **President, two Vice-Presidents one of whom shall be Indonesian, Treasurer, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Editor.** Subject to the control of members at general meetings the Committee shall be responsible for the direction and management of the affairs of the Association.
6. All office holders and committee members shall serve in an honorary capacity.
7. Members shall be elected to the committee in accordance with the terms of Part IV (Meeting).
8. The officers of the committee shall serve for one year and shall be eligible for re-election. They shall continue in office until successors are elected.
9. The quorum on the committee shall be four.

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10. If any member of the committee shall be absent from three consecutive meetings without leave or without reasonable excuse, the seat of such a member shall be declared vacant.

11. The committee shall have power to constitute sub-committee, the membership of which shall be filled from the members of the membership of which shall be filled from the members of the Association. The sub-committee members may attend committee meetings but have no voting powers at such meetings.

12. The committee shall meet at such time and place as it deems fit, but the President shall have the power to call further meetings when he thinks it desirable.

13. The committee shall have power to convene a general meeting of members whenever and wherever it may deem it necessary. Seven days notice of such a meeting shall be given to members, either personally or by post.

III. MEMBERS

14. Membership of the Association shall be one of the following designations; Life Member (elected by members at a general Meeting), Honorary Member (see Section 17), Ordinary Member, Family Member (spouse of ordinary member at reduced subscription rates), Student Member (full-time student only).

15. Membership is open to all persons who support the objects of the Association, but the committee shall have the power to exclude a membership at their discretion.

16. No person may exercise any rights or privileges as a member until he shall have been duly accepted by the committee and his name has been entered in the register of members and until he shall have paid his subscription.

17. The committee may at its own discretion elect to honorary membership of the Association the Diplomatic Representatives, Trade Representatives, Military and Cultural Attaches and any other distinguished representatives of Indonesia.

18. If any member is guilty of conduct which in the opinion of the committee is detrimental to the interests of the Association, the committee may summon such a member to appear before the committee to explain this or her conduct, and if he or she fails to appear before the committee, the committee may, subject to appeal to a general meeting, terminate the membership of such member.

19. Any member whose membership has been terminated but the committee met within fourteen days of the decision appeal to general meeting called for that purpose. The decision of the general meeting will be final.

20. Each member (except honorary members) is entitled to one vote.

21. All members of the Association shall be eligible for election to any office.

22. The committee shall cause to be kept a register of members of the Association.

IV. MEETINGS

23. An annual General Meeting of members shall be held as soon as possible but not later than thirty days after the first of March in each year. The quorum at such annual meeting shall be 25% of financial members. At such meeting there shall be submitted by the Secretary an annual report and by the Treasurer a duly audited statement of accounts of the Association up to December 31st prior to the meeting. The annual election of officers shall be held at such meeting.

24. All candidates shall be nominated in writing signed by a proposer and a seconder each of whom is a member of the Association, and by the nominee. The nominee must be received by the Secretary up to and including the time of the general meeting.

25. In the event of there being more nominations than the number of vacancies, a ballot shall be held and those receiving the greatest number of votes shall be deemed elected.

26. In the event of there not being a sufficient number of candidates to fill the vacancies, the elected committee may fill the vacancies from members of the Association.

27. The Annual General Meeting shall be summoned by a written notice to each member setting out the nature of the business proposed to be transacted at such meeting. Such notice shall be sent by post or delivered to such member at least 13 days before the date of such annual meeting.

28. A General Meeting may be called at any time by a request in writing signed by at least 10 members, setting out the purpose for which such meeting is desired. Such requisition shall be sent or delivered to the Secretary. The committee shall within seven days of the receipt by the Secretary of such requisition, cause a General Meeting to be called at a date not later than 14 days after receipt of request.

29. All voting at General Meetings shall be decided on a simple majority basis.

V. FINANCE AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

30. The Association shall be completely non-profit in nature and all income raised shall be devoted to the fulfillment of Aims (as detailed in Part 1 Name and Objectives) and no individual member shall receive any profit or gain from the Association's activities.

31. There shall be an annual fee payable by members, the amount being decided by the committee from time to time. Such annual subscription may include an amount in payment of publications.

32. The committee may cause to be raised and maintained any fund, venture or enterprise which in their opinion assists in the achievement of the aims of the Association.

VI. PUBLICATIONS

33. The committee shall maintain publications at a standard sufficient to inform members of the activities of the Association.
34. The committee shall determine the nature and number of publications issued during the year consistent with Section 31.
35. The Committee may invite subscriptions to publications from non-members at a fee to be decided by the committee. These subscribers are not members for the purpose of Part II (Members).
36. The Committee may donate publications to any body of their choosing, consistent with the aims of the Association

VII. GENERAL

37. The committee may cause to be kept a register of appropriate visitors, which shall be available for inspection by members.
38. The committee may provide members who are financial and who wish to travel abroad, with introductions to like Associations.
39. This constitution may be amended or altered by a General Meeting at any time, provided that written notice of the proposed amendment or alteration has been given to all members at least 14 days before the date of the meeting called to consider the amendment or alteration.
40. For all purposes the year of the Association shall run from January 1st to December 31st.
41. The committee may from time to time pass such regulations as are required for the efficient operation of the Association.
42. For the purpose of Section 23 a member shall be deemed to be financial only if fees for the current year have been paid by March 25th.

43 NON PROFIT CLAUSE

The assets and income of the Association shall be applied solely in furtherance of its abovementioned objectives and no portion shall be distributed directly or indirectly to the members of the organisation except as bona fide compensation for services rendered or expenses incurred on behalf of the organisation.

44. DISSOLUTION CLAUSE

In the event of the Association being dissolved, the amount which remains after such dissolution and the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities shall be paid and applied by the Committee in accordance with their powers to any fund, institution or authority which is a non profit organisation.