

HUMANITARIAN ASSOCIATION OF GENERAL INTEREST TO HELP DEVELOP EDUCATION FOR YOUNG BLIND PEOPLE IN FRENCH- SPEAKING AFRICA

ARTICLE 1. NAME

An association governed by the Law of 1 July 1901 and the Decree of 16 August 1901 is hereby established between the members of the present Articles of Association: Association Française d'Aide aux Jeunes Aveugles de Missala (AFAJAM).

ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE - OBJECT

The purpose of this association is :

1. to contribute to the construction, development and running of the inclusive school for blind children called the ECOLE DES JEUNES AVEUGLES YOUSOUF DIAKITE DE MESSALA in Mali (EJADYM), located at Massala in the KALABAN-CORO rural district.
2. and more generally to support any socio-educational project for visually impaired pupils in French-speaking Africa.

ARTICLE 3. REGISTERED OFFICE

The registered office is located at 39 rue de la Rochefoucauld, 92 100 BOULOGNE BILLANCOURT. It may be transferred by simple decision of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 4. DURATION

The duration of the association is unlimited.

ARTICLE 5. COMPOSITION

The association is made up of :

1. Active members: persons who have undertaken to pay an annual subscription of €10 (ten euros);
2. Honorary members: persons who have rendered outstanding services to the association and who are exempt from paying membership fees;
3. Supporting members: people who pay an annual subscription of €100 (one hundred euros).

The amount of membership fees may be changed annually by the General Meeting.



ARTICLE 6. ADMISSION

The association is open to all, without condition or distinction.

ARTICLE 7. CANCELLATIONS

Membership is lost by :

1. Resignation;
2. Death ;
3. Expulsion by the Board of Directors for non-payment of membership fees or for serious reasons, after the member concerned has been invited by registered letter to provide explanations to the Executive Committee and/or in writing.

ARTICLE 8. MEMBERSHIP

This association may join other associations, unions or groupings by decision of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 9. RESOURCES

The Association's resources comprise :

1. The amount of contributions ;
2. Subsidies from the State, départements and communes ;
3. Private donations ;
4. Proceeds from the association's activities ;
5. Any surplus brought forward from the previous year.

ARTICLE 10. PAYMENT OF FUNDS

For aid to the YOUSOUF DIAKITE SCHOOL FOR YOUNG BLIND PEOPLE IN MESSALA, all donations collected will be paid into the EJADYM association's account, after a needs assessment.

In the event of the association being extended to other schools, funds will only be disbursed on presentation of the official status of the organisation entitled to receive them.

ARTICLE 11. VALIDATION OF ACTIONS

Any payment made to the EJADYM association will oblige the latter to produce proof of the actual use of the funds sent.

The Board of Directors will validate the supporting documents at the end of each financial year. The same principle will be applied in the case of payments to other bodies referred to in Article 10.



ARTICLE 12. MISCELLANEOUS REMUNERATION

As humanitarian services are provided free of charge and the management is disinterested, all functions, including those of the members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, are free of charge and voluntary.

Only expenses incurred in the performance of their duties are reimbursed, based on receipts. The financial report presented to the Ordinary General Meeting sets out the reimbursement of mission, travel and entertainment expenses for each beneficiary.

In the event that the association needs to engage the services of an employee, the latter will receive the remuneration corresponding to his/her job in accordance with the regulations in force.

ARTICLE 13. ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

The Ordinary General Meeting comprises all members of the Association in whatever capacity.

It meets at least once a year.

At least fifteen days before the date fixed, the members of the Association are convened by the Secretary. The agenda appears on the notice of meeting.

The Chairman, assisted by the members of the Board, chairs the meeting and reports on the Association's moral situation and activities.

The Treasurer reports on his management and submits the annual accounts (balance sheet, profit and loss account and notes) to the General Meeting for approval.

The General Meeting sets the amount of the annual subscription and the entrance fee to be paid by the different categories of members.

Only items on the agenda may be discussed.

Decisions are taken by a majority of the votes cast.

Once the agenda has been completed, the outgoing members of the Board are re-elected. All decisions are taken by a show of hands, except for the election of Board members.

Decisions taken at General Meetings are binding on all members, including those absent or represented.

ARTICLE 14. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

If necessary, or at the request of half plus one of the registered members, the Chairman may convene an Extraordinary General Meeting, in accordance with the procedures set out in these Articles of Association and solely for the purpose of amending the Articles of Association, dissolving the Association or dealing with immovable property.

The procedure for convening a General Meeting is the same as for an Ordinary General Meeting. Resolutions are passed by a majority of votes cast.

ARTICLE 15. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Association is managed by a Board of Directors.

Every three years, the General Meeting elects an odd number of members to the Board of Directors.



In the event of a vacancy, the Board temporarily replaces its members. Their definitive replacement shall be decided at the next General Meeting. The powers of the members thus elected end on expiry of the term of office of the members replaced.

The Board of Directors meets at least once every six months, convened by the Chairman or at the request of one quarter of its members.

Decisions are taken by majority vote; in the event of a tie, the Chairman has the casting vote.

Any member of the Board who, without excuse, fails to attend three consecutive meetings shall be deemed to have resigned.

ARTICLE 16. THE OFFICE

The Board of Directors elects an Executive Committee from among its members, comprising

1. A chairman, the association's legal representative, responsible for coordinating projects and actions;
2. One or more vice-chairmen to assist the chairman;
3. A secretary responsible for carrying out all administrative tasks and keeping the archives;
4. A treasurer, responsible for keeping the association's accounts. In particular, he/she is responsible for opening a bank account, for which he/she will be joint signatory with the Chairman.
5. The offices of Chairman and Treasurer may not be held concurrently.

ARTICLE 17. INTERNAL REGULATIONS

Rules of procedure may be drawn up by the Board of Directors, for approval by the General Meeting.

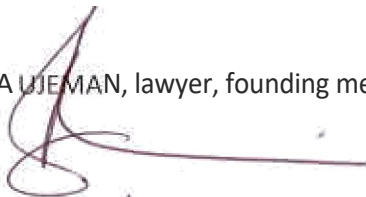
Any such regulations are intended to set out the various points not covered by these Articles of Association, in particular those relating to the internal administration of the Association.

ARTICLE 18. DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution in accordance with Article 14, one or more liquidators shall be appointed and the net assets, if any, shall be transferred to a non-profit organisation (or to an association with similar aims) in accordance with the decisions of the Extraordinary General Meeting deciding on the dissolution.

The net assets may not be transferred to a member of the association, even partially, unless a contribution is made. Boulogne Billancourt, 26 January 2020

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