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OF

HOLY TRINITY PEACE VILLAGE

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1. FOUNDATION

The Holy Trinity Peace Village (in brief Peace Village) is registered as a non-profit association.

The Peace Village is registered in South Sudan.

It has a constitution that defines the purpose and organizational structure of the association. The Peace Village is founded by Emeritus Bishop Paride Taban (South Sudanese).

Other legal persons:

Bishop Akio Johnson (South Sudanese), Apostolic Administrator Catholic Diocese of Torit under which the Peace Village is instituted.

Sudan Catholic Bishops Conference/Sudan Catholic Bishops Regional Conference, Father Mathew Haumann (Dutch) Consultant and international promoter.

Edmond Resor (US American) Advisor.

Tobias Nduru (South Sudanese) Manager

Ydo Jacobs (Dutch) Advisor

2. LOCATION AND AREA OF OPERATION

LOCATION

The Peace Village is located by the side of river Kuron, in Kapoeta parish in the Catholic diocese of Torit. In reference to civil administration, this area is found in Kapoeta County, Eastern Equatoria South Sudan.

AREA OF OPERATION

The Primary area of action Peace Village is within the confines of its land, which measures 10 kilometers square being approved by the Kapoeta County, Commissionaire

on 9th of February 2005. The Secondary area of action covers the territory of the Catholic Diocese of Torit, South Sudan at large and beyond.

‘And that is one of the reason why I, Bishop Taban Paride decided to develop Holy Trinity Peace Village in this area (Kuron) to transform eighty-one families into peace homes. The objective is to extend this to other areas through setting up a resource training center so as to mobiles regularly these ethnic groups involved in tribal conflicts for peace, reconciliation and conflict resolutions. Also to start education program for these families and train the youth both boys and girls in peace-cord to stop livestock raids, and assist in resolving other conflicts in their communities. To start Spiritual renewal, Trauma counseling and HIV/AIDS program. It is ecumenical, including Muslims. In 1997 I initiated a demonstration farm in Kuron for a purpose of introducing fast maturing crops, and to impart better agricultural skills of farming for example Ox-ploughing and use of animal draught powder in food security to alleviate pastoralists who up to now mainly depend on little milk and blood from their livestock; and emergency relief hand-out which makes them dependant. As there is a saying that if you want to assist a person, give him a hook and not a fish. Kuron, Peace Village, Oasis of Peace’ (quote of E Bishop Paride Taban).”

3. PURPOSE OF THE INSTITUTION

PREAMBLE:

The Peace village is the realization of the dream of Bishop Paride Taban, Emeritus Bishop of the Catholic diocese of Torit. It is born out of pastoral concerns, deep spiritual reflection and inspiration from Peace community in Israel Land a childhood experience of community life in Katire.

The founder who in 1990 became a co-founder of NSCC (The New Sudan Council of Churches) and he also extended his help to Islamic Fundamentalist by feeding while in the hands of the S.P.L.A as prisoners of war, he is its living example.

VISION:

- I. The Peace Village has a vision of a world peaceful coexistence in the context of ethnic, national, racial and religious plurality.
- II. The Peace Village is committed to peace building among Sudanese communities, beginning from the pastoral community in East Bank and beyond.
- III. Peace Village, strives to build a culture of peace of its own, based on equality, transparency, accountability and respect for the human person as created in God’s image, which it will share with the rest of humanity.
- IV. The Peace Village is a non-political and –profit making institution, committed to peace building by example and teaching.

MISSION STATEMENT:

- I. The Peace Village will put its emphasis on dialogue, reconciliation, reconstruction, self-reliance, promotion of cultural development deepening human and spiritual root based on the image of God's people.
- II. The Peace Village strives to lead the way, by example and by investing information, dialogue and education as the effective means of peace building and human respect.
- III. The Peace Village has chosen the Friesian Approach. In this approach it is believed that people will be motivated to plan and act on issues of immediate concern in their lives. It is also believed that for people to realize self-propelled development, they should be free and liberated. They should be free to identify their own problems and needs, come out with a plan for action and bear the responsibility over the consequences of the decisions that they make including the outcome of action.
- IV. The Peace Village has its emphasis on the functionality of adult learning and uncompromising requirement for local community initiatives. This emphasis is complemented by a methodology orientation that seeks to cultivate people's inherent potential to transform their situation. This is achieved through stimulation of critical and creative thinking leading to collective action. The Peace Village by choosing this approach challenges the culture of free handouts unless in cases of emergency.

ADMINISTRATION & LOGISTICS:

The purpose of the Administration and Logistics is the guarantee financial transparency and accountability of all activities of the Peace Village; it is furthermore responsible for the control and monitoring of transaction and an effective and efficient as well as adequate management of all material and funds.

It consists of the Village Administration, the overall administration for programs, projects, the overall bookkeeping and internal audit, the submission of financial reports and the related support and training of personnel.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE PECE VILLAGE:

PATRONAT:

There shall always be a patron for the peace village:

Duties:

The patron shall be the guardian of the Peace Village Vision and Mission above all action and in all presentation. He or she shall be member of the board of the institution and the executive committee.

He or she supervises all activities of and therein shall supervise the activities of the Peace Village and in his function shall arbitrate in major conflicts.

He represents the Peace Village nationally and internationally at official forum, but may as well delegate this duty for individual events if required.

The patron shall be resident in the Peace Village.

Election Procedures:

The first patron shall be the founder:

Subsequent patrons shall be recommended by the patron and appointed by the Board of the Institution.

The patron shall be appointed for an indefinite period after the example of Elijah and Elisa but shall revise his engagement every 5 years with the Board of the Institution.

BOARD OF THE INSTITUTION:

The Peace Village will have a permanent Board of the Institution. It is the institutional holder of the Peace Village identity and therefore has the overall responsibility internally and toward third parties.

It constitutes itself in the best interest of the purpose of the Institution. The quorum for such a meeting shall be two third of the members of the committee. Two third majorities shall pass decision. The patron has right of VETO.

Duties:

It elects among its members a chairperson that will prepare for the fulfillment of the following duties.

The Board of the Institution approves the Executive Committee.

The Board of the Institution approves the Strategy of the Peace Village that is elaborated on a 5-10 year basis by the Executive Committee. The Board of the Institution approves the Annual Budget and report of the executive committee.

The Board of the Institution safeguards the constitution and may modify it following a defined and transparent 12 months consultation process initiated at every fifth Annual Meeting.

SPIRITUAL CARE:

- I. Without prejudice to the principle of religious freedom, there shall be prayer house designed and run in an ecumenical way. It shall give a chance and time for other religions.

- II. There shall also be faith committee of the village, comprising of representatives of all the members of the different faith groups in the village.
- III. Each faith group will make a suitable arrangement to provide spiritual care for its adherents.

4. STRATEGY

There shall be elaborated a strategy to further outline and clarify the objectives, orientation and direction of these programs to fulfill the mission of the Peace Village. The first draft strategy of the Peace Village shall be attached to this Constitution within the first year after the Institution has been founded.

The core activities shall be summarized in a more holistic program approach, they will be called Programs. Other programs shall be subject to decisions arising from needs and the general welfare of the village and are subject to approval by the Board of the Institution.

A. Core Programs

Peace Conference Centre:

The purpose of the peace conference centre is to facilitate Peace among the local communities and beyond all borders.

It will therefore organize Events & Conferences, Peace Trainings, Peace Programs and Projects, Peace Networking and Research.

Peace Village Development Program:

The purpose of the Peace Village Development is to establish the infrastructure and services required for the livelihood and activities of the Peace Village.

It will therefore organize Infrastructure and Sanitation Agriculture and Husbandry Health Care and HIV Animation, Formal and functional Adult Education.

B. Support Programs:

There will be additional activities required to facilitate above programs, they shall be called Support Programs and are mainly:

Peace Relation & Human Resources Program:

The purpose of the Peace Relation and Human Resource is to facilitate communication, information and support required to the well being of stakeholders, members, users and visitors of the Peace Village.

It will therefore organize Youth and Volunteer Liaison Service Personal Care (Regulations, Insurances, Liaison) Social and Spiritual Care: Events and ceremonies Internal Continuous Education.

Consultation:

The chairman of the Board of the Institution will maintain close relations with partner institutions in the best interest of the Peace Village. The following institutions will be invited at least every two years for a Consultative Meeting with Members of the Board of the Institution.

- I. The Sudan Catholic Bishops Conference.
- II. The bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Torit or an appointee by him.
- III. The Justice and Peace Commission of the SCBRC.
- IV. The NSCC.
- V. Caritas Internationalist/may be represented by one of its Member Institutions.

Election Procedures:

The representative of the Organs shall be appointed by their respective Organs for infinite period, but may alternate.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The Peace Village will have a permanent Executive Committee.

It shall be constituted as an advisory and supporting organ of the patron and shall help to carry operational responsibility. It shall consist of representative of the following organs:

- I. The patron
- II. Two Members of the management Board wherefrom the General Secretary or his/her deputy.
- III. The Representative of the Village Community Assembly.
- IV. 2-3 permanent advisory persons appointed by the Patron.

Election Procedures:

The Patron shall constitute the Executive committee, with approval from the board of the Institution. The Executive Committee appoints a Chairperson that will prepare for the following duties:

Duties:

- I. The EC approves the Board of Management of the Peace Village.
- II. The EC will elaborate the Strategy of the Peace Village.

- III. The EC shall elaborate the 5-year implementation plan of the Peace Village including its overall budget.
- IV. The EC shall approve the annual implementation plan and Budget elaborated by the Management Board.
- V. The EC shall have preliminary negotiation with funding agencies required for the elaboration of the planning process.
- VI. The EC will approve project proposals submitted by the management board.

Consultation:

The chairman of the Executive Committee shall maintain close relations with partner institutions in the best interest of the Peace Village. The following institutions will be invited at least every year for a Consultative Meeting with Members of the Executive Committee:

- I. The representative of the 2 counties of Kapoeta and Eastern Equatoria.
- II. The representative of the leading local NGOs of the area. e.g. People Develop Association and Toposa Develop. Association
- III. The representative of regional donor and INGO representatives operating in the same spirit in the area.
- IV. The representative of interested youth groups operating in the same spirit.

PEACE VILLAGE SECRETARIAT:

Constitution:

- I. There is a permanent Secretariat of the Peace Village that carries all responsibility for the smooth operational implementations of all activities organized or related to the Peace Village.
- II. It can consist of volunteer and/or professional contract arrangements but requires qualified personnel employed on the basis of professional qualification and experience.
- III. There will be a Secretary General/ or Director accordingly of the Peace Village heading the Secretariat. He will supervise the Board of Management and be superior to all staff of the Peace Village, reporting to the Patron and the Executive Committee.

Election Procedures:

The Executive Committee appoints the Secretary General.

Organizational Structure:

The future structure of the Secretariat is as follows, comprising of four departments.

Secretary General/Director (Supported by ad joint and advisory personnel)			
Peace Conference Center	Peace Village Development	Peace Relation & Human Resources	Administration & Logistics
Events & Conferences	Infrastructure & Sanitation	Youth and Volunteer Liaison Service	Village Admin
Peace Trainings	Agriculture and Husbandry	Personal Care (Regulations, Insurances, Liaison)	Secr and Depmt. Admin.
Peace Programs and Projects	Health Care and HIV Animation	Internal Continuous Education	Bookkeeping and internal audit/Financial Reporting
Peace Networking and Research	Education: Formal and functional adult	Social and Spiritual Care: Events and Ceremonies	Admin. Training and Assistance
Others	Others	Others	Others
Logistics and Dept. Admin.	Logistics and Dept. Admin.	Logistics and Dept. Admin.	Logistics, Supervision and Control

Interim Structure:

- I. There shall be a manager of the Peace Village.
- II. The Administrator shall be next in rank, to the manager.
- III. There shall be one accountant and one cashier for the organization.
- IV. Any other post will be included when need arises and means are available.
- V. Sub committees shall be formed in accordance with needs identified.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE SECRETARIAT (BOM):

There will be a permanent Board of Management consisting of the Secretary General and the Head of Departments, the Patron is invited to the Board Meeting and has a consultative Role.

Duties:

- I. Prepare overall annual plans of operation based on the departmental plans; including budgets and funding.
- II. Elaborate special duties as requested by the Executive Committee.
- III. Initiate and prepare operational regulations (personnel, financial, etc) and guidelines according to requirements or as per request by the ExCo for further approval by the Ex-Co or Board of the Institution.

- IV. Guarantee professionalism based on self-Responsibility, Leadership, Transparency, Information and Commitment.
- V. Establish transparent internal communication and information sharing and arbitrate internal conflicts as they arise.

Consultation:

The Board of Management will maintain close relations with the Village Members and partner institutions in the best interest of the Peace Village. The following institutions or representatives will be invited at least every six months for a Consultative Meeting with Members of the Board. The invitation will depend on the existence and/or formation of such groups.

- I. Delegates of Women Groups.
- II. Delegates/Representatives of the various local ethnic and local communities.
- III. Delegates/Representatives of the Village Members and Households.
- IV. Delegates of Youth Groups/Elderly Groups.
- V. Delegates of Religious groups.
- VI. Delegates of Farming and or Animal Husbandry Associations.
- VII. Delegates of nearby Organizations.

5. Representation, Participation and Consultation:

Consultation and Representation is described above. Additional to this the Peace Village shall grow in a participatory way.

As during the process the Peace Village might grow, it is foreseen that the various stakeholders, users and members of the village will slowly get organized.

Their delegates and representatives shall meet in a Peace Village Assembly Meeting and nominate a representative for the Executive Committee of the Peace Village.

6. VILLAGE GROWTH/ ADMISSION:

- I. The Peace Village shall give admission to individuals and families ready to settle of any rank, origin and religion.
- II. Admission will be based on an evaluation according to guidelines and approved by the Executive Committee that might transfer this duty to another organ if need arises.
- III. The Executive Committee shall prepare special admission regulation that facilitates in a transparent way the Admission process for applicants and the Peace Village. In the regulation rights and duties shall be neatly established.

7. Finance of the Organization:

- The Organization may raise funds from the following:-
 - a. Membership fees and annual subscriptions.
 - b. Donations from individual and organizations.
 - c. Fundraising activities.
 - d. Any other lawful sources.
 - e. Sell of project activities products.

8. Amendment of the Constitution:

- The constitution shall not be amended unless passed by 2/3rd votes of members during an AGM.

9. DISSOLUTION OF PEACE VILLAGE AT KURON:

Peace Village shall be dissolved on resolution passed by the board of association. This resolution can come into effect only if it is supported by 75% of the members present. The quorum for such a meeting shall be two third 85% of the board.

If no quorum is reached in the first meeting the discussion shall be referred to another meeting to be called within a month. The quorum for the meeting shall be the members of the board who have turned up. The notice for the second meeting shall be given at least 14 days before the date.

Upon passing the resolution for dissolution, and subject to payment of all debts and clearance of all credits of Peace Village, all the assets of the village in the diocese shall be handed under responsibility of the Diocese of Torit Patronage with Notice to the Sudan Catholic Bishop Conference.

FOUNDING MEMBERS:

1. Emeritus Bishop Paride Taban – Founder: *+ Taban*
Juba, South Sudan
2. Bishop Akio Johnson – Founding member : *+ Akio*
Juba, South Sudan
3. Father Mathew Haumann – Founding Consultant & International Promoter
4. Edmond Resor Founding – Advisor *Edmond Resor*
USA
5. Tobias Nduru Founding – Manager: *Tobias Nduru*
Juba, South Sudan
6. Ydo Jacobs Founding – Advisor
Netherland

Dated at Juba this 29th day of MARCH 2012

WITNESS to the above signatures



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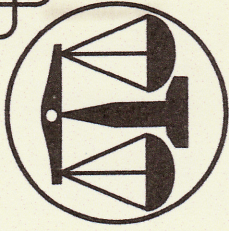
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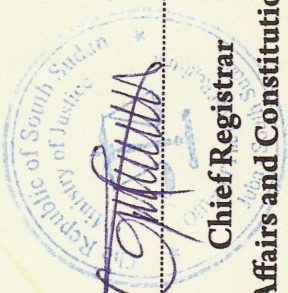
CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

I, **Peter Gatkouth Kor**, Chief Registrar of Companies, Businesses, NGOs, Associations and

Societies hereby certify that **HOLY TRINITY PEACE VILLAGE** is this day

Registered in accordance with the New (Southern) Sudan NGO's Act 2003.

Given under my hand at Juba, Southern Sudan this 30TH day of MARCH 20 12



Signature

Chief Registrar

Ministry of Legal Affairs and Constitutional Development.