

# **Articles of Association**

# of the Jerusalem Forum



## Section One Name, headquarters and objectives

#### **Article One: Definitions and explanations**

#### a) Definitions:

1- The words and phrases which occur in these Articles shall have the meanings specified in the Associations Law in effect.

2- The following phrases wherever occurring in these Articles shall have the meanings assigned to them hereunder unless the context indicates otherwise:

**Association:** Jerusalem Forum Association

**Articles:** Articles of Association of the Jerusalem Forum

**Competent Minister:** Minister of Interior **Competent Ministry:** Ministry of Interior

**General Assembly:** All the active members of the Association in accordance with

the provisions of these Articles.

Board of Directors: The body elected by the General Assembly to manage the

affairs of the Association.

**Active Member:** The founding member, and one who joins the Association

where a decision was issued to approve his membership of the Forum by the Board of Directors, provided he/she has satisfied all the obligation pursuant to the provisions of these Articles

including payment of the annual membership fees.

#### Article Two: Headquarters of the Forum

- a) The founders whose names are shown in Articles (Five) of these Articles, and who have signed the registration application have agreed to establish an association under the name of "Jerusalem Forum", where its headquarters are in Amman, and the geographic area of its activities is the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and its official address for correspondences and notifications is as is shown in the registration application
- b) The official address for correspondence and notification shown in the registration application is a legal address for the Association unless the competent minister and the secretary general of the associations register are notified of any change that arises to it.



#### **Article Three: Objectives and Aims**

- a) The objectives and aims of the Association are represented in the following provided that the approvals and required permits are obtained as may be necessary in accordance with applicable legislations:
- 1- Strive to enhance relations of affinity, cooperation and the strengthening of social relations between the sons and daughters of Jerusalem, and communicate with the sons of Jerusalem inside and outside of Palestine.
- 2- Devote attention to the fate and future of the city of Jerusalem and support its sons and daughters materially and morally.
- 3- Preserve the civilizational ad cultural character of Jerusalem, as well as its historical identity.
- 4- Undertake intellectual and academic activities including the holding of lectures and research and establish libraries.
- 5- Cooperate with the quarters which serve Jerusalem and are active in preserving its heritage and antiquities.
- 6- Strive to support the institutions and association which are active in the city of Jerusalem.
- 7- Encourage sports, philanthropic and health activities and support the existing centers.
- b) The Association shall implement the programs, activities and projects which achieve the abovementioned objectives and aims and are in harmony with them, and shall notify the competent ministry prior to embarking on their implementation.

#### **Article Four:**

The Association offers it services to the citizens on an equal and voluntary basis without aiming to earn profits or share them or achieve any benefit for any of its members or for any particular individual whether directly or indirectly, or to achieve any political goals which fall within the scope of work and activities of political parties or to achieve sectarian aims.



# **Section Two** Membership

<u>Article Five: Founding Members</u>
The founding members of the Association are the members whose names are shown in the table below.

No.	Name
1	Musa Abdel Qader Husseini
2	Shamseddin Mohammad Khalidi
3	Kamel Jamil Asali
4	Mazen Ishaq Nashashibi
5	Fouad Mitri Farraj
6	Nabil Anton Atallah
7	Kamal Jamal Dajani
8	Daoud Anastas Hananiyah
9	Daoud Mohammad Suleiman
10	Muhieddin Husseini
11	Asem Abdullah Ghosheh
12	Hazem Zaki Nusseibeh
13	Mohammad Zaki Ahmad Budeiri
14	Asem Ata Shihabi



#### **Article Six: Conditions for Membership**

- a) Any person has the right to apply for membership of the Association provided that he meets the following conditions, in addition to the conditions stipulated by the Law:
- 1- To have reached 18 years of age (Note: It is permissible to agree for the age of the person to apply for membership to be more than 18 years; however, in all cases his/her age shall not be less than 18.
- 2- To be of full capacity.
- 3- To fully enjoy his civil rights.
- 4- To be of laudable moral character and good conduct.
- 5- To have obtained the recommendation of two active members or a member of the board of directors of the Forum.
- 6- To strive to serve the aims and goals of the Association and to contribute to implement its activities and tasks.
- b) The membership applications shall be submitted based on the form prepared by the board of directors which shall decide to either accept or reject the application. Moreover, the applicant has the right to object to the rejection decision with the competent minister within thirty days from the date of being notified of the decision, and the competent minister, after ascertainment, shall make the suitable determination and his decision in this regard shall be categorical.
- c) It is permissible for the board of directors to accept honorary members in the Association for the period it deems suitable in accordance with the standards it decides. However, none of those members has the right to partake in the meetings of the general assembly or the board of directors and to vote on its resolutions or to assume administrative positions in the Association.
- d) Subject to the provisions of these Articles it is permissible for juristic persons to become members of the Association in accordance with the standards decided by the board of directors.

(Note: Excepted from membership as a juristic person are associations, given that it is impermissible for an association to be a member of another association according to the provisions of the Associations Law Number 51 of 2008).



#### **Article Seven: Annual membership fees**

- a) An initial fee of twenty Jordan Dinars shall be paid only once upon becoming a member of the Association.
- b) The annual membership fee is in the amount of twenty Jordan Dinars which shall be paid annually in advance or in monthly installments according to the request of the member and with the approval of the board of directors, and in all cases it is required for the annual membership fee to be paid in full prior to the end of the fiscal year of the Association by one month at least.
- c) In case a member joins the Association during the fiscal year then he shall only pay what is due upon him in terms of the membership fee for the remaining period of the year.

#### **Article Eighth: Demise of Membership**

- a) The membership shall end in any of the following cases:
  - 1- Withdrawal, unless the member had undertaken to remain a member of the Forum for a particular period.
  - 2- Death.
  - 3- Deficiency or loss of capacity.
  - 4- In case a member is late in payment of the due membership fee as stipulated in Article (7) above.
  - 5- Dismissal.
    - a- A member is dismissed (termination of membership) by virtue of a decision adopted by the board of directors pursuant to the provisions of these Articles in any of the following cases:
      - 1- In case of committing an action which causes to the Association grave material or moral harm.
      - 2- In case he exploits his membership of the Association whether directly or indirectly for personal aims or to achieve personal benefit.
      - 3- In case a member contravenes the Articles of Association of the Association and the contravention continued despite being notified in writing to cease the contravention.
    - b- A member's membership is terminated by virtue of a decision adopted by the board of directors with a majority of votes in case any of the cases specified in clause (1) apply. Moreover, in case a member to be dismissed is one of the members of the board of directors he shall have no right to attend the session held for this purpose and to vote in it.
    - c- The member whose termination of membership has been decided has the right to object to the dismissal decision with the competent minister within thirty days from the date of serving notice of the decision, and the competent minister upon ascertainment shall act based on what he deems appropriate and his decision in this regard shall be categorical.



#### b) Suspending membership:

- 1- Two-thirds of the members of the board of directors are entitled to suspend the membership of any of the members of the Association for a specific period in any of the following cases:
  - a) In case a member submits a written request for suspending his membership for a particular period.
  - b) In case it is proven to the board of directors that the member committed administrative or financial violations and concerning them auditing or investigative committees were formed.
- 2- A member during the period of suspension of his membership loses all his rights as an active member of the Association which are stipulated in the Law and in these Articles of Association.
- 3- The member whose membership it was decided to freeze is entitled to object to the suspension decision with the competent minister within thirty days from the date of being notified of the decision, and the competent minister shall, after ascertainment, act as he deems suitable, and his decision in this regard shall be categorical.

#### **Article Nine: Restoration of Membership**

- a) In case a person whose membership ended wishes to join the Association anew and the reason for the demise of his membership was non-payment of the membership fee he may pay the amount due upon him in this fiscal year in addition to the membership fee of two years in case more than two years passed without payment, and he shall pay within three months from the beginning of the fiscal year, whereupon the provisions of Articles Six and Seven of these Articles shall be applied to him.
- b) The board of directors shall, by virtue a resolution passed by a majority of votes annul the decision to suspend the membership of the member upon ascertaining the demise of the reasons for freezing his membership.
- c) It is impermissible for a member of the Association or for the heirs of the deceased member to recover the membership fees or gifts or donations he/she gave to the Forum.
- d) In case the competent minister decided to restore the membership of the member suspended from the Association pursuant to Article Eight/5 of these Articles of Association.



### Section Three General Assembly of the Association

#### **Article Ten: General Assembly of the Association**

The General Assembly consists of all the active members who satisfied their obligations in accordance with the definition specified in Article (One) of these Articles.

#### **Article Eleven: Meetings of the General Assembly**

- a) It is required to convoke the general assembly for an ordinary meeting at least once a year, and it is permissible to convoke the general assembly for extraordinary meetings whenever necessary.
- b) The board of directors convokes the general assembly for meetings at the headquarters of the Forum or at any other venue specified by the board of directors by virtue of a notification delivered to all the members of the general assembly entitled to attend through a letter or email or fax to the addresses chosen by those members, and the invitation is at least two weeks prior to the holding of the meeting attached with which is the agenda of the meeting and a statement of the names of the members who are entitled to attend the meetings of the general assembly.
- c) In case it is impossible to deliver the notification as per clause (b) above, an announcement of holding the general assembly meeting in two daily newspapers shall be considered a notification to them, provided that this is at least two weeks prior to the holding of the meeting and the announcement shall include the agenda of the meeting.
- d) It is permissible for twenty percent (20%) of the members of the general assembly to send a written request to the board of directors to convoke the general assembly to a meeting while stating the purpose of holding such meeting and attached with which is their names and signatures. In case the board of directors does not respond to this request then those members are entitled to submit a request to the competent minister to hold the mentioned meeting, and the competent ministers shall, upon studying the request, adopt the appropriate decision.
- e) The board of directors shall notify the competent minister and the secretary general of the associations register in writing of the time of the general assembly meeting, its venue and agenda prior to holding it by at least two weeks, failing which the meeting will not be considered legal.
- f) The board of directors shall deposit with the competent ministry a copy of the resolutions passed by its general assembly within a period of fifteen days from the date of their adoption.



#### **Article Twelve: Proxies**

- a) Every member is entitled to deputize another member who represents him in attending the meetings of the general assembly and to vote on resolutions in those meetings by virtue of a written proxy according to the form prepared by the board of directors for this purpose, provided that it is submitted to the board of directors prior to the scheduled time of the meeting for purposes of adoption and approval.
- b) It is impermissible for the deputized member to deputize for more than one member.
- c) The attendance of the member deputizing for another member for purposes of determining the quorum is recognized for holding the meeting and for holding any other meeting to which is postponed the meeting of the general assembly whereby the ratio of proxies shall not exceed (20%) of the number of the members of the general assembly.

#### **Article Thirteen: Chairman of the Meeting**

The general assembly meetings are chaired by the chairman of the board of directors or his deputy in case he is absent, and in case of the absence of the chairman and his deputy the general assembly shall elect from among the members of the board of directors a chairman for the meeting based on the absolute majority of the attending members.

#### **Article Fourteen: Convening the Meetings**

- a) Quorum of the ordinary meeting of the general assembly:
  - The ordinary meeting of the general assembly is considered legal with the attendance of the majority of the members of the general assembly who have paid their annual membership fees personally or by proxy, but if the quorum for the meeting is not reached within an hour from the time scheduled for its commencement then the meeting is postponed to another time after fifteen days from the date of the first meeting, and the members absent from the first meeting shall be notified of the new scheduled time, and the second meeting is legal with the attendance of not less than the number of the members of the board of directors specified in these Articles.
- b) The extraordinary general assembly meeting is considered legal with the attendance of no less than two-thirds of the members of the general assembly who paid their annual membership fees personally and by proxy, and if the quorum for the meeting is not attained within the first hour from the scheduled time for its commencement then the convocation is null and it is permissible to convoke an extraordinary meeting once again.
- c) A number of the members of the general assembly, namely ten members, are entitled to submit a request to the board of directors to include a specific item for discussion in the ordinary meeting, and the request shall be submitted in writing one week prior to the date of the meeting of the general assembly, and the board of directors is entitled to accept or reject the request while indicating the reasons.



#### **Article Fifteen: Agenda of the General Assembly Meeting**

(Note: It may be agreed to add other powers which fall within the jurisdiction of the General Assembly in its ordinary and extraordinary meetings in addition to powers set out in Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Article Fifteen)

a) Activities of the General Assembly in its ordinary meeting:

The general assembly shall deliberate in its ordinary meeting on the following items:

- 1- The report of the board of directors on the activities and status of the Association during the ended year.
- 2- Ratification of the closing financial statements of the Association.
- 3- Report of the certified chartered accountant.
- 4- Approval of the annual draft budget.
- 5- Election of the members of the board of directors by secret balloting. (Note: It would be possible to agree on another voting method other than the secret balloting)
- 6- Dismiss the board of directors or any of its members in case there is justification for it.
- 7- Appoint a certified accountant who is not a member of the board of directors.
- 8- Adopt the general policy of the Association and the plans and programs necessary for their implementation.
- 9- Oversee the management of the properties of the Association and supervise the activities of the Association.
- 10-Discuss and approve the bylaws and the financial and administrative instructions particular to the Association including those related to the activity of the branches and their relation to the mother Association.
- b) Tasks of the general assembly in its extraordinary meeting:
  - 1- Voluntarily dissolve the Association.
  - 2- Amend the Association's Articles of Association pertaining to its objectives and aims provided approval is obtained from the board of directors of the Associations Register of the amendment.
  - 3- Approve the establishment of a branch or branches of the Association provided that the Association deposits a copy of the decision of the general assembly to establish the branch with the secretary general of the Associations Register and the competent ministry and to notify them of the addresses of the offices of this branch.
  - 4- Merge the association with any association or other associations provided the approval of the board of directors of Associations is obtained on the recommendation of the competent minister.
  - 5- Any item impinging on the reputation of the Association concerning which a decision is adopted by an absolute majority of the attendees.



#### **Article Sixteen: Resolutions of the General Assembly**

- a) While taking into consideration what is provided in Clause (5) of Paragraph (b) of the abovementioned Article Fifteen, the decisions of the ordinary general assembly meeting are adopted by the absolute majority of the attendees from among the members of the general assembly, and by a two-thirds majority of the attending members who have paid their annual membership fees in the extraordinary general assembly meeting.
- b) It is impermissible for a member of the general assembly of the Association to partake in voting in case the item presented to the general assembly is to conclude an agreement with him or to file a lawsuit against him or to finalize a suit between him and the Association, and also when he has a personal interest in the decision presented for voting excepting the election of the board of directors and other bodies or committees connected to the Association.

#### **Article Seventeen: Meetings Record**

a) The resolutions of the general assembly shall be recorded in the minutes of the sessions and shall be signed by the chairman and secretary and in the Minutes of the session shall be mentioned the names of the members of the Association who are entitled to attend and the names of the attendees personally or by proxy, and also mentioned shall be the names of the chairman, secretary, resolutions passed and the number of votes.



### Section Four Board of Directors

#### **Article Eighteen: Administration of the Association**

The Association shall be managed by a board of directors consisting of twelve members which is elected by the general assembly of the Association pursuant to the provisions of these Articles, and the term of membership of the members of the board of directors is three renewable years.

Excepted from this is the first board of directors of the Association which is named the preparatory committee whose tenure is for a period of ....... and whose members number......

(Note: It is required for the number of the members of the board of directors to not be less than five members, and also the terms of members of the members of the board of directors shall not be in excess of four years).

#### **Article Nineteen: Conditions for membership of the Board of Directors**

- a) The following is required for a member of the board of directors alongside the conditions which must be met by the active member of the Association:
- 1- For his/her age not to be less than twenty years.
- 2- He shall have a noticeable interest related to the aims and purposes for which the Association was established.
- 3- He is not convicted of a misdemeanor contrary to honor or of any felony.
- b) It is permissible for the general assembly to elect a non-Jordanian member or a juristic person as a member of the board of directors provided the approval of the council of ministers is obtained for his membership of the board of directors.

#### Article Twenty: Vacancy of a position

- a) In case the position of a member of the board of directors is vacant during his tenure for any reason whatsoever then the member who received the greatest number of votes after the elected members in the previous meeting in which the board of directors was elected, shall become a member of the board of directors instead of the member whose position became vacant, and his membership shall complete the period of the vacant membership.
- b) In case the board of directors is unable to apply the provisions of Paragraph (a) above-mentioned, the board of directors shall exercise the powers vested in it until the first subsequent meeting of the general assembly is convened to approve this election or for the general assembly to elect the person who will occupy the vacant position in accordance with the stipulations of these Articles, and in all cases the new member will assume the position for the remaining period of the tenure of his predecessor.
- c) The provisions of Article (Eight) of these Articles shall be applied to the members of the board of directors insofar as the demise of membership.



#### **Article Twenty One: Powers of the Board of Directors**

The powers of the board of directors include all that is related to managing the affairs of the Association and, in particular, the following:

- 1- Manage the affairs of the Association which includes appointing staff and the procedures related thereto.
- 2- Prepare bylaws and financial and administrative instructions and regulations particular to the Association and its branches and present them to the general assembly for approval and adoption.
- 3- Prepare the annual draft budget, the annual report, and the closing financial statements and submit them to the general assembly for ratification.
- 4- Form specialized administrative committees to assist the board of directors to manage the Association and the programs associated with it and determine their powers, the standards for their activities and to monitor them.
- 5- Give authorization to sign on behalf of the Association in some financial, administrative and judicial matters particular to the Association to any of the members of the board of directors or a group thereof.
- 6- Adopt the bank in which the funds of the Association are deposited provided that the approval of the competent ministry is obtained and the secretary general of the associations register is notified thereof.
- 7- Manage the movable and immovable property of the Association and dispose of it and mortgage and donate it in accordance with the powers granted to it by the general assembly.
- 8- Any other powers or duties entrusted to it by the general assembly.

#### **Article Twenty Two: Meetings of the Board of Directors**

The board of directors shall hold a meeting at least once every thirty days to look into the affairs of the Association, and its meetings are legal with the attendance of (51%) of the members of the board of directors, and the decisions are issued by the absolute majority of the attendees, and in case of parity of votes the chairman's vote shall be decisive.

(Note: It would be possible to agree on the number of the meetings of the board of directors, but in all cases it should not be less than once every three months. Moreover, it would be possible to agree on the quorum for the board of directors meetings and to adopt decisions through them).



# Article Twenty Three: Election of the chairman, his deputy, treasurer, and secretary

The board of directors shall elect in its first meeting after the meeting of the general assembly a chairman from among its members and shall also elect a vice chairman, a treasurer and secretary in the same meeting, and the same procedures shall be followed in case one of the positions became vacant.

Article Twenty Four: Responsibilities and powers of the chairman of the board of directors

- a) The powers and duties of the chairman of the board of directors include the following:
  - 1- Preside over the meetings of the board of directors and the general assembly.
  - 2- Represent the Association with public and private quarters.
  - 3- Oversee the activities of the Association and the committees affiliated to it.
  - 4- Any other responsibilities stipulated in these Articles or which the general assembly or board of directors entrust to him.
- b) In case the chairman is absent or declines then the vice chairman will replace him.

#### **Article Twenty Five: Duties and Powers of the Secretary**

The powers and duties of the Secretary include preparing the agenda of the meetings of the general assembly and the board of directors, recording the Minutes and maintaining the records in the office of the secretariat after having followed up and prepared them, and performing the duties of the Treasurer in case of his absence.



#### **Article Twenty Six: Duties and powers of the Treasurer**

The powers and duties of the Treasurer include the following:

- a) Receive cash sums incoming to the Association and deposit those sums in the bank chosen by the board of directors after entering them in the records of the Association provided that the financial documents and records are kept for a period of at least five years.
- b) Receive in-kind donations incoming to the Association after estimating their financial value based on the local market price and enter them in the records of the Association, and the board of directors undertakes to keep them and store them properly until a decision is made to dispose of them for the purposes of the Association or for the purpose for which they were donated.
- c) Implement the resolutions passed by the board of directors as relates to the financial and supplies transactions of the Association, and the chairman of the board of directors shall sign the undertakings and obligations associated with them and a monthly account on the financial situation of the Association will be submitted to the board of directors.
- d) Maintain the financial books and records at the headquarters of the Association to be available to the competent administrative quarters on demand provided that the financial records and books are kept for at least five years.
- e) It is impermissible to spend or dispose of the wealth and property of the Association except as is determined by the board of directors in accordance with the provisions of these Articles.

#### **Article Twenty Seven: Attendance of the Meetings**

- a) It is impermissible for a member of the board of directors to fail to attend its meetings except with an acceptable excuse to be presented prior to the meeting.
- b) Every member who is derelict in attending three consecutive meetings without an acceptable excuse shall forfeit his membership of the board of directors, and in such case it is incumbent on the board of directors to follow the legal procedures stipulated in Article (Twenty) of these Articles.



### Section Five Resources of the Association and the Method of Utilizing and Disposing of them

#### **Article Twenty Eight: Resources of the Association**

- a) The resources of the Association comprise of:
  - 1- What is allocated by the members from their personal money to spend on the Association for purposes of achieving its objectives and aims?
  - 2- Annual membership fees of the members.
  - 3- Donations, gifts and grants.
  - 4- Support of the Associations Support Fund.
  - 5- Income from proceeds of activities.
  - 6- Bequests.
  - 7- Any other resources approved by the board of directors of the Association.
- b) In case the Association wishes to receive donations or funding from a non-Jordanian quarter, it must notify the Council of Ministers thereof provided the notification indicates the source of this donation or funding and the amount, the method of receiving it, the purposes for which it will be spent and any other conditions particular thereto.

#### **Article Twenty Nine: Fiscal year of the Association and its records**

- a) The fiscal year of the Association commences on 1/1 and ends of 31/12 of every Gregorian Calendar year. In case the Association begins its activities during the second half of the year then its first fiscal year ends at the end of the following fiscal year.
- b) The Association funds shall be deposited in the bank designated by the board of directors, and its accounts are not confidential in the face of any inquiries presented by the competent minister or the secretary general of the associations register.
- c) Subject to what was stipulated in these Articles, the board of directors shall prepare bylaws regulating the financial affairs of the Association and determining the mechanism of withdrawing any amount from the money of the Association deposited in the bank and the minimum limit of miscellaneous expenditures, the validity of the signature on the documents and other financial matters.
- d) In all cases it is impermissible to spend any sum from the money of the Association except for achieving any of its aims, and it is impermissible to spend for another purpose.
- e) The Association shall keep at its headquarters proper financial records in accordance with proper financial principles determined for keeping accounting books.
- f) The Association shall maintain at its headquarters a special register of the members of the general assembly, the annual subscriptions, the minutes of the meetings of the general assembly and board of directors of the Association and other technical registers related to the activities of the Association.



g) The accounts of the Association shall be audited annually by a certified auditor, provided that they are audited within a period not in excess of three months from the end of the Association's fiscal year, and the Association is entitled to submit a request to the competent minister to exempt it from auditing in case the balance is less than two thousand Jordan Dinars so that the auditing and the review of the financial accounts are implemented by the competent ministry.

#### **Article Thirty: Work for remuneration**

It is permissible for any of the active members of the Association to work for financial remuneration provided that the general assembly approves based on a decision adopted by the general assembly of the Association by a majority of its members including the period of employment, its reasons, the nature of the work and the salary provided that it is compatible with the salaries of counterparts in the job market.



### Section Six Governance

#### **Article Thirty One: Good Governance**

- a) The Association is keen on implementing its activities to adopt the practices, standards, regulations and instruction which reinforce good governance and the rules of transparency through:
- 1- Applying standards and practices which aim for the Association, its members and the board of directors to respect the laws, regulations and public morality, and which strive to achieve the public interest through participating in the process of developing society and prohibiting any practices which negatively affect the public interest.
- 2- Applying standards and practices which aim for the Association, its members, the board of directors and employees to comply with the Articles of Association and bylaws of the Association, and the policies which are compatible with the legislations in effect in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.
- 3- Adoption of sound behavioral standards and practices which limit conflict of interests in financial, administrative, technical and supplies matters and emphasizing respect of confidentially concerning all the information particular to the Association and its activities in a manner not in conflict with the provisions of applicable legislations.
- 4- Adoption of sound administrative regulations and instructions which enable the board of directors to achieve oversight and supervision of the activities of the Association and impose administrative and legal accountability and also achieve separation of powers and responsibilities in order to emphasize the guarantee of proper accountability.
- 5- Adoption of sound financial regulations and instructions which guarantee continual financial supervision over the resources of the Association and the means of spending it, and the Association is keen on being bound by the sources decided in these Articles.
- 6- Adoption of regulations and instructions governing the process of employment in the Association which are rooted in qualification and merit, and providing a work environment that is suitable for the staff.
- 7- Adoption of standards governing the process of collecting donations and grants to the Association whereby the Association strives to build confidence with the donating and funding quarters and obtaining their support.
- 8- Adoption of sophisticated standards of integrity and transparency to achieve the goals and mission of the Association and to implement its activities.
- b) The Association is keen on safeguarding the vitality and integrity of the voluntary activity sector and promoting the confidence of society in it through financial transparency and documented information, and to guarantee achieving this aim and not to exploit the Association by any illegitimate activities, and thus it is committed to the following:
- 1- Devote necessary care to identifying the identity of the donating quarters or the beneficiaries from the services of the Association, and ascertain their legal status, their activities, the purpose of the work relationship with the



Association, the nature of the work relationship, and the real beneficiary from the relationship between those persons and the Association if any, and enter all the data related thereto in special registers and maintain them for a period not less than five years from the date of the accomplishment of the transaction or the date of the expiry of the work relationship with the Association as the case may be, and update those data regularly.

- 2- Devote attention not to deal with persons of unknown identity or of fictitious names or with fictitious banks or companies.
- 3- Notify the Secretary General of the Association Register forthwith of any transaction where there is suspicion of money laundering or the funding of terrorism and maintain a copy of the notification and the documents, data and information related thereto for a period of not less than five years from the date of addressing the notification or until the issuance of a categorical court ruling concerning this transaction whichever is longer.
- 4- Respect the confidentiality of the information related to the notification served to the Secretary General of the Associations Register pursuant to the provisions of Clause (3) of this Paragraph and any procedures related to this notification which may be adopted concerning transactions suspected of being linked to money laundering or the funding of terrorism or any information related thereto.
- 5- Maintain records of the local or regional or international financial operations carried out by the Association whereby they include adequate data to identify those operations, and maintain those records and all the documents, data and information of relevance for a period not less than five years from the date of accomplishing the transaction or the date of the completion of dealing with the Association as the case may be, and update those data on a regular basis.
- 6- Comply with the provisions of the Associations Law in effect as related to funding from non-Jordanian parties.
- 7- Give due regard to the obligations arising from relevant international resolutions which are binding and which are conveyed to the Association by the Secretary General of the Associations Register or the competent quarters in this regard.



# Section Seven Dissolution of the Association

#### **Article Thirty Two:**

- a) The Association shall be dissolved pursuant to the provisions of these Articles or pursuant to the provisions of applicable legislation, and in case the Association is dissolved it shall cease its activities and it shall retain its personality to the extent necessary for performing its activities, and the Association shall retain its personality to the extent necessary for its dissolution.
- b) The competent minister shall form a committee to dissolve the Association, which shall undertake the following tasks and duties:
- 1- Announce the decision to dissolve the Association by publishing it in two daily local newspapers for three successive days at the expense of the Association provided that the announcement includes a call on creditors to present their claims and for the debtors to indicate their obligations, and to emphasize the necessity of referring to the Association dissolution committee within one month from the date of publication and to submit the documents and data supporting their claims or obligations.
- 2- Address the banks accredited by the Association through the competent ministry to cease the authorization of the authorized signatories on the accounts of the Association and to request a detailed account statement showing the balance of the Association and the latest financial transactions on the bank account.
- 3- Open a special account for the Association at the bank accredited by the committee in which are deposited the funds that are received or collected.
- 4- Determine the assets of the Association in movable and immovable properties and organize detailed statements related thereto and determine the accounts receivable and prepare detailed statements thereof and of the obligations of to Association to others and to endorse them.
- 5- Take the necessary legal measures to collect the debts of the Association and safeguarding its properties including filing lawsuits and take necessary action to safeguard the properties of the Association and securing its rights and to pay debts from the account referred to in clause (3) of this paragraph or from any other accounts of the Association.
- 6- Sell the assets of the association or any part thereof in case it becomes evident that there are no cash sums in the account of the Association or that they are insufficient to pay all obligations.
- 7- Recommend to the competent minister to form a specialized technical committee to study any program or project whose implementation has not been completed or lack of clarity in the financial documents particular to it insofar as disbursal, receipt and implementation, and submit the necessary recommendations regarding them.



- 8- Ascertain the extent of compatibility of the decision issued by the general assembly of the Association prior to its dissolution including donation or disposal of any of its assets in favor of any other quarter with the provisions of these Articles and the Associations Law in effect, and that this decision is unrelated to dissolving the association and to recommend to the competent minister to implement the decision of the general assembly or not.
- 9- Supply the competent ministry with a monthly progress and performance report including its accounts.
- 10-Recommend to the competent minister upon completing procedures of dissolving the Association to transfer its assets to the Association determined by these Articles, provided that this association (Protection of Jerusalem Association) has identical objectives and aims.



#### Section Eight General Provisions

#### **Article Thirty Three:**

- a) It is permissible for the association to form in conjunction with one or more association a coalition to implement a program or activity or joint developmental project with a view to achieve its goals and objectives.
- b) It is permissible for the Association to join an existing federation or to partake in the establishment of a new federation in accordance with the Associations Law in effect and the regulations issued pursuant thereto.

#### **Article Thirty Four:**

The Association is entitled to own real estate and lands and other movable and immovable properties, and is entitled to sell, mortgage, lease or donate any thereof in accordance with the provisions of these Articles.

#### **Article Thirty Five:**

The provisions of the Associations Law in effect and the regulations and instructions issued pursuant thereto apply to any case not stipulated by these Articles, or the articles which are inconsistent with the provisions of the Associations Law in effect and the regulations and instructions issued pursuant thereto.