

Translation from Swedish

Deed of Foundation - Swedepeace Foundation

The undersigned founders hereby decide to establish Swedepeace Foundation [*Insamlingsstiftelsen Swedepeace, in Swedish*] with the purpose of acting in accordance with the enclosed statutes. The Board shall, in accordance with Chapter 11, section 1, of the Foundations Act (1994:1220) have the right, without permission from a public authority, to amend, rescind or set aside all of the provisions in the deed of foundation that concern other matters than Chapter 6, section 3 of the above-mentioned Act. The undersigned hereby order that funds received after an appeal made on 8 October 2010, shall, as an independent capital, promote the purpose of the Foundation in accordance with the above-mentioned Statutes.

Uppsala, 18 October 2010

[signatures:]

Erik Melander

Emma Corneliusson

Adam Bergman

We hereby undertake to administer the property of the Swedepeace Foundation in accordance with the enclosed Statutes and to serve as the Board of Directors of the Foundation.

[signatures:] /Björn Holmberg/ /Kerstin Lundgren/ /Erik Melander/

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Statutes – Swedepeace Foundation



1. Swedepeace Foundation [*Swedepeace Insamlingsstiftelse*]

1. The name of the Foundation is Swedepeace Foundation [*Swedepeace Insamlingsstiftelsen, in Swedish*] with its registered office in the Municipality of Uppsala.

2. Purpose of the Foundation

1. The not-for-profit Foundation has been established to help create conditions for international peace and security.

2. The Foundation will act impartially with respect to religion, political affiliation, national or ethnic origin. Furthermore, the Foundation will adhere to the principles of transparency, conflict sensitivity and gender equality, as well as applying a rights-based approach in accordance with the UN Universal Declaration on Human Rights.

3. The Foundation will strive to achieve its purpose by focusing on the interface and linkages between theory, policy and practice, which will help identify options for action and promote results-oriented cooperation for peace and security. The main aim of its activities will be to promote peace and security in the context of development, i.e. to engage in development assignments among those in need. Areas of activity and work include: financial assistance, analysis and research, policy and method development, project and programme design, implementation of projects and programmes, monitoring and evaluation, capacity build-up and education and training, development dialogue and other activities compatible with the purpose of the Foundation.

4. The Foundation can provide grants to those working for peace and security.

3. Financial resources and their use

1. The Foundation shall manage its assets in a satisfactory way and in accordance with the purposes decided upon in the Statutes of the Foundation and in compliance with the Foundations Act (1994:1220).

2. The Foundation shall, by means of contributions collected or received in the form of gifts of money, testamentary bequests, interest income, appropriations or other forms of grants, in the form of donation commitments, appropriations of public funds, commissions, or other legally received funds, use and distribute these funds in an appropriate way in accordance with the Statutes of the Foundation.

4. Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors of the Foundation shall consist of at least three and at most ten members, with between one and at most four deputy members with experience of international peace and security work. It is aimed for the Board to have a heterogeneous composition. The members shall have a period of office of three years, with the option of re-election. A majority of the Board shall have held their posts for less than nine years. The Board shall appoint a Chairperson, a Deputy Chairperson and a Treasurer from among its members. The Secretary-General shall be the secretary of the Board. The Board may decide on an expansion or reduction of the number of board members according to the statutes with a subsequent election. In the event of the resignation or dismissal of a member, the Board shall appoint a replacement.

2. The Board of Directors has the right to co-opt additional specialist officials who may be important for the activities of the Foundation, although these may be at most five in number.
3. The Board has a quorum when at least half of its members are present. Decisions are made by simple majority. The Chairperson has a casting vote in the event of a tie.
4. The Members shall not receive any financial compensation or other pecuniary compensation for their work on the Board. However, the members may, on request, receive compensation for verified and reasonable expenses to perform their board assignments.

5. The duties of the Board of Directors

1. The Board elects a chairperson from among its members. The Secretary-General acts as secretary with the task of taking minutes at board meetings and taking care of the Foundation's correspondence together with the Chairperson.
2. The person or persons appointed by the Board shall be authorised to sign for the Foundation.
3. The Board is responsible for activities being carried out in accordance with the purposes of the Foundation. The Board is responsible for the activities being carried out in compliance with the Foundations Act and with the provisions contained therein on the special form of foundation for collection of funds.
4. The Chairperson shall ensure that meetings are held when required and gives notice of these meetings in writing or orally. Necessary documentation shall be sent with the notice of the meeting for matters concerning major decisions.
5. The Chairperson is obliged to call a meeting within fourteen days if requested to do so by at least two members.
6. At least two (2) meetings a year shall be held, of which one shall be the annual general meeting, on days decided upon by the Board. The Chairperson of the Board shall call meetings in addition to the minimum number of meetings as required.
7. Minutes shall be taken at meetings of the Foundation, which shall be verified by the Chairperson and an additional person or persons appointed from time to time. Minutes shall be taken in numerical order and kept in a safe way.
8. The Board shall endeavour to keep as low as possible the use of the funds collected to realise the purpose of the Foundation for administrative costs.

6. The duties of the Secretary-General and the Secretariat

There shall be a secretariat, led by a Secretary-General for the day-to-day operations of the Foundation. The Secretary-General shall be appointed and dismissed by the Board and may hold the post for at most ten years. Matters concerning instructions and remuneration to the Secretary-General shall be decided upon by the Board.

1. In the event of the Secretary-General resigning, being dismissed or being otherwise incapable of performing his or her duties, the Board shall immediately appoint a



replacement to the post for the period of time until the Board appoints a new ordinary Secretary-General.

7. Finances

1. The financial year shall be from 1 July to 30 June of the following year.
2. It is incumbent on the Board to draw up annual accounts and an annual report for the Foundation within four months of the end of the financial year. These accounts and reports shall be prepared in accordance with current Swedish legislation.
3. The auditors of the Board, who shall be appointed by the Board and who shall be an authorised or approved public accountant, shall audit the accounts in compliance with generally accepted auditing standards and in compliance with current Swedish legislation. The annual report and the audit report shall be submitted to the supervisory authority within six months of the end of the financial year.
4. An annual budget shall be prepared by the Secretary-General and submitted to the Board for approval at the latest three months prior to the beginning of the financial year.

8. Amendment of the Statutes

1. In the event of decisions concerning the Statutes of the Foundation, which concern any other matter than that stated in Chapter 6, section 3, of the Foundations Act (1994:1220), it is required that the Board of Directors be unanimous with at least 2/3 of its members present at two consecutive board decisions. The provisions of the Foundation Act apply in the case of testamentary alterations.

9. Dissolution of the Foundation

1. The Foundation may be dissolved if the Board make an application to this effect in accordance with current provisions. In conjunction with dissolution, the assets of the Foundation shall, in the first place, continue to serve the purpose of the Foundation as stated in these Statutes unless contracts already entered into provide otherwise.

These Statutes were adopted in conjunction with the establishment of Swedepeace Foundation, Uppsala, 18 October 2010.

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