

**ARTICLES OF**  
**ASSOCIATION OF ASIA-PACIFIC PEACE OPERATIONS TRAINING CENTERS**  
**(AAPTTC)**

1. Name. The name of the association will be, “Association of Asia-Pacific Peace Operations Training Centers (AAPTTC)”.
  
2. Vision. To be the leading forum for the development and execution of United Nations peace operations around the world.
  
3. Purpose. To enhance the operational readiness of peacekeepers by advancing Asia Pacific Peace Operations Training Institutions in conjunction with wider regional and global governmental and nongovernmental efforts through:
  - Sharing of resources
  - Sharing of best practices and lessons learnt
  - Synergizing efforts amongst regional organizations
  - Training and Education information sharing
  - Attendance at Annual General Meeting

3. Participation.

The AAPTTC is an association comprising the centres and government institutions of the Asia-Pacific region dedicated mainly to train and educate members of national armed forces and security forces and civilian personnel appointed to participate in peace operations under UN mandate. There are three tiers of participation: membership, observer and invitee:

- a. Membership. AAPTTC will be an open and voluntary association of national or government peacekeeping training centres of Asia-Pacific countries. Only member organisations will have the right to vote. Those participating members in the annual conference shall be considered as the active / current member for the AAPTTC.
- b. Observers. Entities in or out of the Asia-Pacific region will be considered as Observers and could be invited, or may by itself request to be invited, to become a member.

c. Invitees. Invitees can also be part of an association, those governmental and non-governmental academic organizations associated with peacekeeping education and training that could be invited by the Association or manifest as interest to participate.

4. General Meeting. The Association will hold a general meeting annually. The venue, date, agenda and theme of the meeting will be decided after consultation between members and the Secretariat. An example of the Annual General Meeting format is included as an annex to these Articles.

The General Meeting will include two specific and concurrent levels of discussion: Commandants and Training Staff.

5. Standard Agenda of the General Meeting. Over and above any other items to be decided by the Annual General Meeting, the following shall be on the standard agenda:

- a. Thematic discussion for the year.
- b. Progress reports on annual activities.
- c. Prospectus for planned courses.
- d. Outcome of the AAPTC Annual General Meeting.
- e. Agreement on the date and venue of the next meeting.

6. Chairperson. The Chairperson of the association shall be nominated from the association active members. The term of the Chairperson will be one year. The Chairperson will be from the organization hosting that year's annual general meeting. The Chairperson-Elect will be from the organization that will host the next year's annual general meeting. It shall rotate among the active members of the association in alphabetical order by country. Should a country decline a nomination during their appointed year, the next country alphabetically will be offered the nomination. If, subsequently the country that declined chooses to host at a later year, the chairmanship will return to them and then skip the next country. The responsibilities are:

- a. Calling for and chairing the meeting,
- b. Spearheading the activities of the Association and;
- c. Organizing, with assistance from the Secretariat, the Annual General Meeting.

7. AAPTC Executive Committee. The AAPTC Executive Committee will consist of the Commanders of the member Centers; the Chairperson and Secretariat will be selected from the members on a rotational basis.

Its main responsibilities will be:

- a. Advise and assist the Chairperson of the Association in his / her executive tasks.
- b. Put into action the Association's programmes according to the decisions adopted by the Annual General Meeting.
- c. Recommend to the Annual General Meeting on the topics to cover during the future sessions.
- d. Keep the Association members informed about the activities.
- e. Propose modification to the articles of the Association if at least one third of the member requests it.

8. AAPTC Secretariat. The Association will at every 3rd Annual General Meeting, entrust its day-to-day operations to a member organization. The Secretariat will take the responsibilities on all the administrative and organizational tasks related to the normal Association function, keeping documentation, updating web site, as well as any other function established by the Chairperson and/or AGM, inside their competencies.

The host for the Annual General Meeting will be responsible for providing the Secretary pro tempore.

9. Reforms. Changes or amendments to these Articles will be proposed by the Chairperson through Executive Committee by the request of one third members which will be approved by simple majority at the Annual General Meeting with the chair providing the deciding vote in case of tie.

10. Funding. The expenditures will be dealt by the following terms:

- a. The organisation hosting the Annual General Meeting shall be responsible for all aspects of hosting the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the theme set out at the Annual General Meeting, except for:
  - (1) Transportation cost of participants to reach the destination for the Annual General Meeting,
  - (2) Accommodation and communications associated costs of

- participating members,
- (3) Non-hosted expenses,
- (4) Major medical and dental associated costs beyond first aid.

b. All the expenditure stated in paragraph 12.a.(1)-(4) will be the responsibility of individual participants.

11. Language. The Annual General Meeting and all documents, publications, web pages etc of the Association will be communicated in English.

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## **ANNEX TO ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FORMAT**

In general, the conduct of the meeting can follow the below programme:

- Day 1: Opening Ceremony with all, VIP remark
  - Center Commanders meet / ECM
  - Staff officers (thematic) meet separately
- Day 2: AAPTTC update, 3 -4 centers and forum updates (such as ADMM, ADMM+, ARF and IAPTTC) and theme
  - PM: Discussion incl external SMEs
- Day 3: Thematic discussions, CMDTs, Staff, SMEs
- Day 4: Follow on action, wrap up, Closing and handover ceremony
- Day 4+: Present / future Chair, Secretariat, and staff officers work group about planning of next meeting