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1. The name of this Organization is the "Nippon Kempo International Federation".

<COMPOSITION>

2. Nippon Kempo International Federation, hereafter referred to as "NKIF", is composed from the Nippon Kempo National Federations that are affiliated to the NKIF at worldwide level. Each Nippon Kempo National Federation is designated as the sole organization governing all styles of Nippon Kempo in each respective country.

<Headquarter>

3. The Headquarters of the NKIF is located in Osaka, Japan.

<Languages>

4. The official languages of the NKIF shall be Japanese and English. All official NKIF publications must be edited in English.

At Congress, a simultaneous translation of proceedings shall be provided in these 2 (two) languages.

<Character of NKIF>

5. The NKIF is a non-profit organization and does not engage in matters pertaining to politics, religion, or race.

<Registration>

6. National Federations wishing to be affiliated to the NKIF must apply for registration and be accepted by the NKIF..

<Purpose>

7. The NKIF has the aim of promoting and popularizing Nippon Kempo throughout the world and contributing to the development of friendly relationships among the National Federations.

<Undertakings>

- 8. In order to achieve the aforementioned purpose, the NKIF shall carry out the following functions;
- -Organizing the World Nippon Kempo Championships, training seminars and technical workshops.
- -Establishing the Constitution, Directives, Rules and Regulations pertaining to the activities of the NKIF.

- -Helping to prepare the Nippon Kempo National Federations and their organization for each country.
- -Establishing the Rules and Regulation for the Recognition of Dan (Black Belt) Grades in accordance with the applicable Regulations of each country
- -Publishing newsletters and exchanging information.

<RECOGNITION AND AFFILIATION>

9. The Regulations governing the affiliation, suspension or withdrawal from the NKIF shall be set forth separately.

<CONGRESS>

- 10. The Congress is the supreme constitutional forum of the NKIF, being the deliberative body to propose, discuss and agree all significant and important issues which may include but not limited to the election of new directors of the Executive Committee, amendments to the NKIF rules or regulations, NKIF activity plans, resolution of the annual budget.
- 11. The Congress shall meet every 4 (four) years at the occasion of the World Nippon Kempo Championships and in the city where these take place.
- 12. The Congress shall be presided over by the President of the NKIF and composed of delegates, each of whom represent an affiliated National Federation together with directors of Executive Committee.
- 13. The delegates affiliated to the National Federations and directors of Executive Committee shall be entitled to 1 (one) vote each.
- 14. The Congress shall be deemed valid if at least 1/2 (half) of the delegates and directors of the Executive Committee in possession of voting rights are present. Delegates representing their respective National Federations who are not the duly elected National Federation Presidents for that country, must be in possession of a written proxy signed by the President of the same National Federation indicating their due authority.

All decisions at Congress shall be taken by simple majority. In the event of a tied vote, the President, or in his absence the Acting Chairman, will have the casting vote.

15. Each Federation may also have its own interpreter.

<EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE>

16. In accordance with the directives agreed by the Congress, the Executive Committee (hereafter referred to as "EC") shall execute such decisions taken by the Congress and ensure that they are enacted. These decisions may include any urgent issues that remain undecided or outstanding at the conclusion of the Congress and that must be approved by the next Congress meeting.

- 17. The EC shall be convened by the President as required.
- 18. The EC shall be composed of the Directors set in the article 20.
- 19. Any decisions taken by the EC shall be deemed valid if at least 1/2 (half) of the Directors and members are present. Any Director representing another must be in possession of a written proxy in the event of absentee. Any decisions taken by the EC will be by simple majority. In the event of a tied vote, the President will have the casting vote.

<DIRECTORS>

- 20. At NKIF, the following Directors shall take office;
- -President, one member
- -Vice President, maximum two members
- -Executive Directors, maximum twelve members
- -General Secretary, one member
- -General Treasurer, two members
- 21. The President will be elected by the EC.

The Vice President approved by the EC shall be appointed by the President

The Executive Directors shall be appointed at the Congress in accordance with the regulations set forth separately.

The General Secretary will be appointed by the President with the approval of EC

The General Treasurer will be elected at the Congress and cannot be appointed to any other positon within the EC whilst in office

22. The President shall represent and lead the NKIF.

The Vice President shall provide the President with assistance and shall replace his duties in the event of absence, in accordance with the respective responsibilities and procedures as set forth in advance;

The Executive Directors shall execute their duties to administer, manage and control as members of the EC

The General Secretary shall perform all secretarial duties of the NKIF

The General Treasurer shall keep and record all financial records and accounts, arrange audit and undertake administrative responsibilities for all other financial related matters at the NKIF

23. The Executive Committee members shall be in office for a 4 (four) year term. Those members can then present themselves for the re-election in accordance with the NKIF constitution.

<TECHNICAL COMMITEE>

- 24. The Technical Committee of the NKIF shall be composed of directors of the Executive Committee proposed by the President. The Technical Committee shall deliberate on all technical matters relating to Nippon Kempo which may include but is not limited to the Nippon Kempo techniques, the rules and regulations applicable to official competitions, matters concerning refereeing, participant protections and examination criteria for the awarding of Dan grades
- 25. The Executive Committee shall appoint the Technical Committee members, whose terms are subject to the article 23. These members will execute their duties to administer, manage and control as members of the Technical Committee

<FINANCE>

26. The operating income of the NKIF derives from registration fees for membership, annual membership fees and other donations.

< REGISTRATION FEE AND ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE>

- 27. The registration fee for the membership and the annual membership fee are determined by the Congress.
- 28. If the membership fee due has not been paid after a period of more than 3 years from payment due date without a justifiable reason, it may result in the suspension of that member from the NKIF by decision of the EC.

<CLOSING ACCOUNTS>

29. The accounting period of the NKIF shall begin on 1st of April and end on 31st March every year. The Financial Report and annual accounts shall be completed 3 months after the financial year closing date. Approval of the financial accounts is made by the EC and available for inspection at the Congress meeting.

<SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISION>

- 30. The NKIF shall organize the World Nippon Kempo Championship every 4 (four) years. The date, place and a National Federation in charge shall be decided by the EC.
- 31. The EC, subject to their majority decision, will be entitled to request the approval of the agenda by the way of the deliberation in form of written documents. Those agenda must be reported item at the following EC meeting.
 - 32. These above Directives, Rules and Regulations will come into effect immediately following their approval at the NKIF Congress in ----, on -----, 2016