

According to regulations from Article 11 of the Law on NGOs (Official Gazette, No 27 of 29 July 1999), the General Meeting of Human Rights Action, on meeting held on 10 February 2004 in Podgorica, adopted the Statute of the NGO Human Rights Action, which has been changed according to the decision of the General Meeting of Human Rights Action on amendments to the Statute, founding act and election of Executive Director from 1 March 2010, in accordance with the Law on NGOs (Official Gazette of the Republic of Montenegro, No 27/99, 09/02, 30/02, Official Gazette of Montenegro, No 11/07 of 13 December 2007), so it reads as follows:

STATUTE of NGO Human Rights Action

Article 1

Status

Human Rights Action is a non governmental association which acts on principles of non party and non profit engagement in affirmation public interest.

Human Rights Action has legal status according the Law.

Article 2

Aims

The prime aims of the Human Rights Action (hereinafter: Association) are:

- promotion of international standards of human rights in Republic of Montenegro and in South-East Europe,
- promotion of a very idea of human rights issues in area of legislation, culture, education, practice of State Authorities,
- protection of Human Rights before domestic and international bodies,
- expert aid to victims of violation of human rights.

Article 3

Activity

For the purpose of achieving of Association's goals, especially:

- Monitoring and evaluating of activities of government and other bodies in human rights area,

- Elaborating and publishing of the reports, studies and analyses on current conditions in the area of human rights,
- Organizing, either independently or in collaboration with other organizations of the meeting of experts, seminars and other forms of exchange information and education on issues which are defined by aims in Article 2 of this Statute,
- Publishing activities in line with the scope of organization,
- Cooperation with other organizations, Universities and expert associations in country and abroad, with similar or identical goals,
- Organization of legal aid to victims of violation of human rights.

Article 4

Name and Seat

The name of the Association is Human Rights Action.

The official summary name of the Association is HRA.

The name and the summary name on English is: Human Rights Action, HRA.

The Association has a seat in Podgorica.

The Association effectuates its activity on the territory of the Republic of Montenegro.

Article 5

Stamp and sign

The Association has the stamp and official stamp. The stamp of the Association is round shape with the name “Akcija za ljudska prava” and in the middle of the stamp is HRA.

The Association has the own sign.

By the decision of the General Meeting it is established the outlook and the content of the Association.

Article 6

The member of the Association can be everyone who accepts the aims and the Statute of the Association, but based on the recommendations of three people at least.

The membership is acquired by signing of the paper of accession.

The member can resign from the membership by giving the written statement on resigning.

The membership in Association is terminated in case of non justified non-engagement or by acting opposite to aims of the Association.

Article 7

Rights and obligations of the members

The member has right to:

- equal participates with other members of the Association in effectuating of the aims of Association,
- participates in bringing decision in General Meeting and other bodies of the Association,
- to elects and to be elected in bodies of the Association,
- to be timely and completely informed on work and activities of he Association.

The member is obliged to:

- to active contributes to effectuating of the aims of Association,
- to participates in the activities of the Associations according to his/her interests,
- to work in other activities which are confidante to him/her according to his/her effectuating of the aims of Association.

Article 8

The Bodies of the Association

The Bodies of the Association are General Meeting, Director of the Association and Council of the Association.

Article 9

The General Meeting

The General Meeting consists of all members of the Association.

If the number of the members is more than 10, than the Managing Board, which should be established, should bring decision on number of members of General Meeting.

The General Meeting has meets every other year. Extraordinary meeting of the General Meeting can be held on explained suggestion of the Director of the Association or by letter initiative of 1/3 of all members.

Article 10

Competence and decision of the General Meeting

The General Meeting:

- brings the plan and program of work,
- adopts the Statute, changes and adds of the Statute,
- considers the reports on work of the President of the Association,

- decides on distribution of the property of the Association after the determination of the Association.

The General Meeting can bring the decision if it is present ½ of the members at least.

The General Meeting can decide by plurality of votes of present members.

For the decision on changing and adding the Statute it is necessary the majority of two thirds of the present members.

Article 11

Director of the Association

The Director of the association is the Executive Body who cares on enforcing the aims of the Association.

Article 12

Competence and decision of the Director of the Association

The Director of the Association:

- manages the work of the Association between the two meetings of the General Meeting and brings the decisions for effectuating of the aims of Association,
- organizes the work of activities of the Associations,
- confidantes the special tasks to members,
- brings the financial decision and controls their execution,
- Decides on starting the procedure for changing and adding the Statute by using own initiative or on suggestion of at least 5 member of the Association and prepares the proposal of changing and adding which suggests to the General Meeting for adoption.
- Decides on other questions which are not in explicit jurisdiction of the General Meeting or other body.

Article 12a

The Council of the Association

The Council of the Association consists of nine members, prominent experts in law and journalism, committed to promotion of human rights and their protection.

Article 12b

Competence and decision of the Council of the Association

The Council meets according to the needs of the Association, at least once a year, and deals with program issues of the Association, development strategy of the Association

and other issues of interest to the action of the Association.

Article 13

Conflict of interests

The member of the Association can not vote on matter which can be his material interests, interests of his/her spouse or his/her cousin (up to third cousin) which can be opposite to interests of the Association, neither in matters which are related to association which are owned by that member or in which is member's material interest.

Legal works from the previous lines have to be concludes on market value or on conditions which are the best for the Association.

Article 14

The public of work

The Director of the Association concerns on information of members and the public on work and activities of the Associations, directly or by internal publication or by statement for public.

Article 15

Duration and termination working of the Association

The Association is found on

The decision on termination of working can bring the General Meeting on proposal of the Director of the Association or by the proposal of majority of one thirds of the present members, by the decision of the majority of two third of all members of Association.

Article 16

Property

The property and the instrument of labor of Associations can be acquired by membership, voluntary contributions, presents, financial subventions, interest on deposits, by heredity, by dividend, by donations of legal and natural persons from the country and abroad on legal way.

In case of termination the work of Associations, all the property will be back to donors according to valid agreements and left matters will be ordered to other associations according to decision of the General Meeting.

Article 17

Putting in force

This Statute will put in force by the day of the adoption in the General Meeting.

In Podgorica, 1 March 2010

The President of the General Meeting:
Mr. Dragan Prelevic