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C O N S T I T U T I O N
OF
THE TANZANIA DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE PARTY (TADEA)

PREAMBLE

WE, the founders of the Tanzania Democratic Alliance Party (TADEA) believe "in the fundamental inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family" and proclaim our determination "to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom". We further believe that Man should not be compelled to have recourse, as a last resort, to rebellion against tyranny and oppression, that human rights should be protected by the rule of law. Now therefore, we in the (TADEA) strongly declare our endless support for the principles enunciated in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We would adopt fundamental Human Rights as declared by UNO for purposes of implementation and enforcement in the permanent constitution of our NATION.

We now hereby form the Party:

ARTICLE 1 - NAME OF THE PARTY

The name of the Political Party shall be "The Tanzania Democratic Alliance Party (TADEA)", hereinafter known in short title as TADEA.

ARTICLE II - HEAD OFFICE

The headquarters of the Party and registered office shall be situated in Dar es Salaam.

ARTICLE III - PARTY FLAG AND EMBLEM

1. The Party flag shall be Blue, Yellow and Black.
2. The EMBLEM of the Party shall be Mother holding a BABY BOY placed in the middle of the Party flag.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership of the Party shall be open to all citizens of Tanzania aged 18 years and above.

2. Members shall be all individuals registered by any branch which is established by the Party.
3. Membership admission fee shall be T.shs. 200/= (two hundred shillings) which may be amended by NEC from time to time.
4. Members shall pay a monthly subscription of T.shs. 50/= (fifty shillings). Any members so opting may pay his or her subscription annually in advance, which may be amended by NEC from time to time.
5. Any member of the Party shall cease to be a member on resignation, expulsion from the Party or upon death.

ARTICLE V - AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. To develop and maintain pluralist democracy, incorporating competing political parties, whilst fully supporting and recognising the democratic rights of the majority to decide, the Party (TADEA) also recognises and accepts the democratic rights of the minority to be heard, respected and protected. The TADEA will welcome the challenge to compete in free and fair elections at the national, and local government levels.
2. To develop and establish a two-tier Parliamentary system that will incorporate democratic checks and balances in the relationship between the Executive, the Legislature and the Judiciary, as well as ensuring both legal and practical separation between the Executive, the Legislature and the Judiciary.
3. To work for the creation of a permanent constitution so as to incorporate an enforceable statement of fundamental rights and freedoms (A bill of Rights).

A national constitutional commission composed of people from all shades of opinion shall be established to carry out a detailed revision of the present constitution and be directed to make recommendations for the creation of a permanent constitution, so as to give the national a permanent and workable constitution.

4. In order to guard against nepotism, corruption, inefficiency and maladministration in public services, independent regulatory bodies should be established by the government including; a Public Services Commission, a Judiciary Commission, an Armed Forces Commission, a Police Commission and a range of Commission for handling complaints (OMBUDSMEN).
5. To develop and establish an economy based upon free market principles, embracing respect and guarantees of private property rights, free trade, and privatisation. Wanton nationalisation should be discouraged but in case of nationalisation, there should be full and adequate compensation. Worker-ownership and private co-operatives should be strongly encouraged and seriously assisted.
6. To develop and establish a national education policy which shall emphasise the need to providing skills, practical training and vocational guidance, and which discourages the idea that the purpose of education is solely to obtain wage employment. It would reorientate education towards productive and commercial activities.
7. To develop and establish a national agriculture and animal husbandry policy with strong farm policies, so as to be self sufficient in food. To develop and implement strict policies for the protection of the environment, and develop comprehensive and meaningful permanent land policy which shall be beneficial to the indigenous population.

8. To preserve the national unity of Tanzania and to return the political direction of the Tanzania to the people through the devolution of local responsibility.
9. To promote regional groupings and international co-operation and to support the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, and the Charter of the Organisation of African Unity. To develop and sustain a foreign policy which shall recognise these principles whilst protecting the national interests of Tanzania.
10. To maintain the country's stability and our territorial integrity sovereignty and the well being of the peoples of Tanzania within secure borders.

ARTICLE VI- ORGANS OF THE PARTY

THE BRANCH

1. Each Branch of the Party shall consist of at least thirty members who shall constitute the Branch Conference.
2. (i) The branch Conference shall take care of the affairs of the Party within their areas and shall elect the following members of the Branch Executive Committee:
 - (a) Chairperson
 - (b) Vice Chairperson
 - (c) Secretary
 - (d) Assistant Secretary
 - (e) Treasurer
 - (f) Assistant Treasurer
 - (g) Four other members
- (ii) The Branch Conference shall elect TEN representatives to attend the District Conference (DC).

3. The Branch Executive Committee shall meet regularly, not less than six times each year, to evaluate the performance of the Branch and to work out strategies for implementing and achieving the Party programme.

THE DISTRICT

1. Delegates to the District Conference shall consist of the following:

- (i) All members of the District Executive Committee.
- (ii) TEN delegates from each branch in the district elected by the Branch Conference.
- (iii) Branch Chairperson
Branch Secretary
Branch Treasurer

WHOSE functions shall be

- (iv) To receive and review reports of Party activities from branches of the Party.
- (v) To elect members of the District Executive Committee.
- (vi) To elect FIVE members from the general membership of each district to attend the Regional Conference (RC);
- (vii) To elect THREE representatives from the general Membership of each district to attend the National Conference (NC).
- (viii) Incumbent office bearers shall not qualify for election under (vi) and (vii) above.

2. The District Executive Committee shall be composed of the following:

- (i) Chairperson
- (ii) Vice Chairperson
- (iii) Secretary
- (iv) Assistant Secretary
- (v) Treasurer
- (vi) Assistant Treasurer

- (vii) TEN other members who shall be elected by the District Conference (DC)
- 3. Each of the Party's District shall coordinate the work of branches within its jurisdiction and ensure that collection of funds for the Party is carried out and coordinated.
- 4. The District Executive Committee shall meet regularly, not less than six times each year to evaluate the performances of the District Branches and shall work out strategies for implementing and achieving the Party programme.

THE REGION

- 1. Delegates to the Regional Conference (RC) shall consist of the following:

- (i) All members of the Regional Executive Committee
- (ii) FIVE members representing each district in the Region elected by the District Conference (DC).
- (iii) All District Chairpersons
All District Secretaries
All District Tresurers.

THE AGENDA for the Regional Conference shall be;

- (iv) To receive and review reports of Party activities from all the districts in the region;
- (v) To elect members of the Regional Executive Committee;
- (vi) To elect TWO representatives of the Region to the National Executive Committee (NEC).

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- 2. The Regional Executive Committee shall consist of the following;

- (i) Regional Chairperson
- (ii) Regional Vice Chairperson
- (iii) Regional Secretary
- (iv) Assistant Regional Secretary
- (v) Regional Treasurer
- (vi) Assistant Regional Treasurer
- (vii) Committee members not exceeding ten members who shall be elected by the Regional Conference (RC).

3. The Regional Executive Committee shall meet regularly, not less than six times each year, to evaluate the performance of the Branches and to work out strategies for implementing and achieving the Party programme.
4. Each of the Party's regions shall coordinate the work of all the districts within their jurisdiction and communicate directly with Party headquarters in Dar es Salaam.

THE NATIONAL CONFERENCES (NC)

1. Delegates to the National Conference shall be the following:-
 - (i) Three branch representatives from every district elected by the district conferences.
 - (ii) All members of the National Executive Committee
 - (iii) All Regional Treasurers.
2. The quorum for the National Conference shall be two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the number of delegates eligible to attend.
3. Any motion before the National Conference of the Party other than amendments to the constitution shall be deemed carried by a simple majority of delegates entitled to vote and in the event of an equality of votes, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.

4. The agenda for the National Conference shall include the following:

- (i) To review the Party's work during the previous year;
- (ii) To discuss ways and means of furthering the aims and objectives of the Party and other matters of interest to the Party.
- (iii) To amend, where necessary, or otherwise deal with matters concerning the Constitution and Rules and Regulations of the Party.
- (iv) To deal with matters relating to discipline,
- (v) To elect the following office bearers:-
 - (a) Party President
 - (b) TWO Vice Presidents
 - (c) Secretary General
 - (d) Organising and Publicity Secretary
 - (e) Treasurer General
 - (f) Two Deputy Secretaries General
 - (g) TWO Deputy Treasurers General
 - (h) Two Deputy Organising and Publicity Secretaries

5. The supreme authority of the Party shall be vested in the National Conference. The National Conference will be presided over by the Party President and shall receive reports of Party activities, approve budgets recommend measures for the smooth running of the Party affairs and hold elections.

THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (NEC)

1. The National Executive Committee of the Party shall consist of the following:
 - (i) Party President
 - (ii) TWO Vice Presidents
 - (iii) Secretary General
 - (iv) Organising and Publicity Secretary
 - (v) TWO Deputy Secretaries General
 - (vi) Two Deputy Organising and Publicity Secretaries
 - (vii) Treasurer General
 - (viii) TWO Deputy Treasurers General
 - (ix) TWENTY EIGHT members of the Central Committee
 - (x) FIFTY members two elected from each region by the Regional Conferences
 - (xi) All Regional Secretaries.
 - (xii) All Regional Chairpersons.
2. The National Executive Committee (NEC) shall exercise the power of the National Conference during the period between National Conferences (NC)
3. The NEC shall meet once every three months to consider reports from the Central Committee and to give directives to the Central Committee on all matters relating to the activities of the party both within Tanzania and abroad.
4.
 - (i) The NEC shall elect TWENTY EIGHT members, one from each region with THREE extra members from Dar es Salaam for special interests to the Central Committee of the Party.
 - (ii) Incumbent office bearers shall not qualify for election.
5. The NEC shall have the powers to appoint commissions to perform particular functions. The NEC may also appoint a permanent standing committee at the Headquarters for the National guidance on all Party Policies.

6. The Party shall create Directorates under the Secretariat to be headed by a Director who shall be assisted by Deputy Directors if the need arises.
7. The NEC shall prepare the Agenda for the National Conference (NC).

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

1. THE Central Committee shall be composed of the following:
 - (i) The Party President
 - (ii) TWO Vice Presidents
 - (iii) Secretary General
 - (iv) TWO Deputy Secretaries General
 - (v) Organising and Publicity Secretary
 - (vi) Two Deputy Organising and Publicity Secretaries
 - (vii) Treasurer General
 - (viii) TWO Deputy Treasurers General
 - (ix) All Regional Chairpersons
 - (x) TWENTY EIGHT members elected by the National Executive Committee (NEC).
2. The Central Committee shall be convened once every month to examine and assess the Party's performance and recommend measures to ensure the successful implementation of the Party programme.
3. The Central Committee shall submit reports to and prepare the agenda for meetings of the National Executive Committee.
4. The Central Committee shall supervise the day to day activities of the Party, and may appoint sub committees for specific functions such as finance, political etc. from its membership.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS FOR NATIONAL OFFICE BEARERS

1. The Party President shall be the overall in-charge of all Party affairs and shall be the chief spokesperson of the Party.
2. The TWO Party Vice Presidents shall be the Chief Assistants to the Party President and shall perform other functions and duties as directed by the party President or the Central Committee.

3. The Secretary General shall be the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). He or She shall be in charge of the day to day administration of the Party and principal advisor to the Party President in developing and implementing the Party's internal and external policies; shall be the Secretary of all meetings presided by the Party President and shall maintain records of all Party activities at home and abroad. He or she shall recommend to the Central Committee appointments of the Directors and shall be obliged to obtain its approval. The Secretary General shall call all meetings of the party as provided by the constitution.
4. The TWO Deputy Secretaries General shall perform functions and duties as may be assigned by the Secretary General or the Party President.
5.
 - (i) The Organising and Publicity Secretary shall be the principle coordinator of all Party work, including popular mobilisation in the districts and regions. He or she shall advise the Secretary General on all matters pertaining to organisation and publicity at Regional and District levels.
 - (ii) The Two Deputy Organising and Publicity Secretaries shall perform duties as may be assigned by the Organising and Publicity Secretary or the Secretary General.
6. The Treasurer General shall be the principal custodian of and accounting officer for the Party's property and finance. He/She shall be responsible for developing the Party's financial policies and regulations and shall initiate and supervise projects aimed at enhancing the Party's financial resources.
7. The TWO Deputy Treasurers General shall perform functions as may be directed by the Treasurer General.

8. The Director of each Directorate shall be its chief administrative officer and shall be responsible directly to the Secretary General.

ARTICLE VIII - ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

1. The Party shall hold elections to Party Offices at all levels, i.e. Branch, District, Regional and National level every three years and shall take place at the relevant conferences at the appropriate level of the Party. The Elections shall be supervised administratively by the National Secretariat.
2. Every elected official shall hold office for THREE years and shall be eligible for re-election.
3. The Party shall hold by-election in case of death or resignation within thirty days of the occasion to fill the vacancy.

ARTICLE IX - PROCEDURES AT MEETINGS

1. One half ($1/2$) of the membership eligible to attend a meeting of the Party organ shall constitute a quorum.
2. The Presiding officer shall be responsible for conducting the meeting in an orderly manner and according to the established rules governing such meetings.
3. The determination of any matter before any meeting other than amendment to the Constitution shall be by a resolution carried or rejected by a simple majority.
4. The presiding officer shall have a casting vote in addition to the deliberate vote in the event of equality of votes.

ARTICLE X - EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

Extraordinary meetings and conferences of the Party may be convened whenever necessary to deal with urgent matters or questions.

ARTICLE XI - THE LANGUAGE

Kiswahili shall be the Party's official language, but English may also be used at the Party meetings and conferences.

However, minutes and records shall appear or kept in the language spoken and understood by the majority of the participants.

ARTICLE XII - FINANCE

1. Funds of the Party shall be from the following sources:

- (i) Membership fees and subscriptions
- (ii) Voluntary Contributions
- (iii) Proceeds from investments and projects
- (iv) Subventions from the government
- (v) Donations, bequests and grants from any other source.

2. Board of Trustees:

- (i) The National Executive Committee shall appoint a Board of Trustees, consisting of six persons who shall hold properties in trust for the members of the Party.
- (ii) The NEC shall appoint one of the trustees as Chairperson of the Board.
- (iii) To qualify for appointment, as a trustee a person shall have to be mature, responsible and honest with proven loyalty to the Party.
- (iv) The trustees shall hold office for a FIVE year term and will be eligible for re-appointment.
- (v) The NEC shall make rules of procedures governing the proceedings of the Board of Trustees.

3. Finance Committee

- (i) The Central Committee shall appoint a Finance Sub-committee from its membership and whose major function shall be among others to advise the Central Committee on all matters of finance.
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ARTICLE XIII - PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE OF THE PARTY

1. The Parliamentary Committee of the Party shall consist of all the members of Parliament elected on the ticket of the Party and shall elect its officers according to the Party guidelines.
2. The NEC may convene a joint meeting with the Parliamentary Committee to discuss any matters that may be brought before them.
3. The Parliamentary Committee shall be responsible to the Central Committee.

ARTICLE XVI - AMMENDMENTS

Ammendments may be made to the Constitution for better achievement of the Party's objectives but such ammendments must receive approval by at least two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of all the members of the National Conference (NC).

ARTICLE XV - DISSOLUTION OF THE PARTY

1. The Party shall be deemed dissolved when at least three quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) of all delegates of the extraordinary National Conference (NC) convened for this purpose resolve to wind up the Party's activities.
2. (i) In the event of the dissolution of the Party, the Trustees shall liquidate all the assets of the Party and use them to settle all liabilities of the Party. Any remaining assets shall be donated to charitable organisations or vested into the Administrator General.

(ii) In the event of the dissolution of the Party for purposes of merging with another Party, the Board of Trustees shall use the assets to discharge the liabilities of the Party and use any remaining assets in accordance with the resolution dissolving the Party.



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