# RATIFICATION OF THE CONSTITUTION FOR THE FEDERATION OF EARTH OUTLINE GUIDE FOR THE RATIFICATION PROCESS

Under the terms of Article XVII of the Constitution for the Federation of Earth, ratification is to be pursued by a two-part process:

- A. Preliminary ratification by National Governments and National Legislatures;
- B. Final ratification by people by means of referendums conducted in every country and every World Electoral and Administrative District.

The ratification process is organized and coordinated at the global level from a World Headquarters established for the purpose by the World Constitution and Parliament Association. The ratification process is conducted at the national or country level under the direction of National Councils of the Global Ratification and Elections Network, or by W.C.P.A.

For the referendum vote by Citizens of Earth, the objective is to obtain a precisely measured vote by the people of each country and of each World Electoral and Administrative District (WEAD) on the question of ratification of the Constitution for the Federation of Earth, rather than random signing of petitions or resolutions.

## **ACTION TO BE TAKEN FROM THE WORLD HEADQUARTERS**

- Organize the Global Ratification and Elections Network (GREN) by inviting thousands of nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) to join and participate in the campaign for ratification, and then the election of delegates to the World Parliament.
- Expand the list of Honorary Sponsors for the Global Ratification and Elections Campaign (GREN) by inviting noted persons of all countries.
- Send appeals to each national government requesting ratification of the Constitution for the Federation of Earth, per the terms of Article XVII. Send appeals directly to each Head of Government of each country; and also to the Ambassadors of each country at the United Nations requesting their assistance in getting their respective national governments to ratify.
- Prepare a map of the world showing the division into 1000 World Electoral and Administrative
  Districts (WEADs). Ask participants in countries over 5,000,000 population to help define the
  boundaries for the districts in their respective countries.
- Foster the organization in each country of GREN councils to carry on the ratification campaign in each country.
- Prepare and distribute all necessary documents, explanations, directions, appeals, ratification forms, initiative petition forms, model ratification bills for introduction in national legislatures, etc.
- Help get translations prepared, as may be necessary or desirable in various languages.
- Conduct training courses for people who will carry on the campaign.
- Publicize the campaign as much as possible, particularly when each country ratifies.

#### **ACTION TO BE TAKEN WITHIN EACH COUNTRY**

#### **GENERAL**:

- Enlist many NGOs as participants in the campaign.
- Form a National Council of GREN, to plan and conduct the campaign.
- Invite additional noted or respected persons in the country to serve as Honorary Spons6rs of the ratification campaign for the particular country.
- Print and distribute all necessary documents, explanations, legislative bills, referendum and initiative forms, etc. and publicize as much as possible.

## APPEALS TO EACH NATIONAL GOVERNMENT:

- The GREN Council and participating organizations in each country should follow up the appeals sent from the World Headquarters --
  - By personal visits with the President, Prime Minister, or other Head of Government and State;
  - By convincing other government leaders to help;
  - By visits with parliamentary leaders to get legislation for ratification introduced and adopted by the national parliament or legislature.
- Make repeated appeals to the National Government, as public support develops, and as ratification by the people progresses.
- If final ratification is accomplished by referendum vote of the people before the national government gives even preliminary ratification, then continue the pressure on the national government to accept and comply. At this stage, the election of new representatives to the national legislature who are committed to ratification and acceptance of the World Constitution will become of major importance.

### RATIFICATION BY THE PEOPLE AS CITIZENS OF EARTH:

- Complete the delineation of the World Electoral and Administrative Districts within the country, while using the existing voting precincts wherever possible.
- Organize for the ratification campaign by designating coordinators for each District, and captains for each precinct or other reasonable division of the District.
- Enlist many volunteers.
- If a country, or a State within a country, has provision for initiative measures by the citizens, then do whatever is necessary to get the ratification question on the ballot, for referendum in this manner.
- Otherwise, prepare to conduct a direct referendum, with the objective of obtaining a precisely measured vote in which at least 25% of the citizens of voting age in the country take part.
- Inform the potential voters within each District and Precinct about voting on the issue of ratification of the Constitution for the Federation of Earth, to be followed by the election of delegates to the World Parliament. For this information, deliver to each household a packet which should contain:

A letter of explanation;

A summary of the Constitution for the Federation of Earth;

Ballot for voting on the issue of ratification; Card for registration as a Citizen of Earth, to vote for delegates to the World Parliament; Invitation to make a Priority Contribution.

- Model information packets will be supplied by GREN. Mass printing must be done in each country. Distribution to households and voters may be done by hand delivery or by mail.
- Direct Referendums may then be conducted in one of three ways:
  - 1. Request voters to come to designated voting places in each World Electoral District, to cast their votes and register as Citizens of Earth for subsequent elections to the World Parliament;
  - 2. Organize volunteer polling teams to go door to door in each block and precinct of each District, and take the votes of those desiring to vote and register as Citizens of Earth;
  - 3. Ask those desiring to vote and register as Citizens of Earth to mail their ballots together with Citizen of Earth registration cards, to a central office for the precinct or District.
- Count and report the votes: When voting has been completed, determine whether 25% of
  eligible voters have voted on the question of ratification. If so, and if a majority of those voting
  have voted YES to ratify, then the GREN Council of the country shall declare the Country to be a
  legal part of the World Federation under the Constitution for the Federation of Earth. The World
  Council of GREN shall then confirm and certify the ratification of the particular country.

## **ELECTIONS TO THE WORLD PARLIAMENT**

As soon as the people of 25 countries have ratified, then GREN shall do whatever is necessary to accomplish the election of delegates by people to the House of Peoples of the World Parliament, and the appointment or election of delegates by national governments or national parliaments to the House of Nations, to compose the First Operating Stage of World Government in accordance with Article XVII of the Constitution for the Federation of Earth. Details of this action phase in due course.

To participate, write to World Constitution and Parliament Association, Inc. which is organizing the Global Ratification and Elections Network (GREN), #211 Overlook Cir, Clarkesville, Georgia, 30523, U.S.A.

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