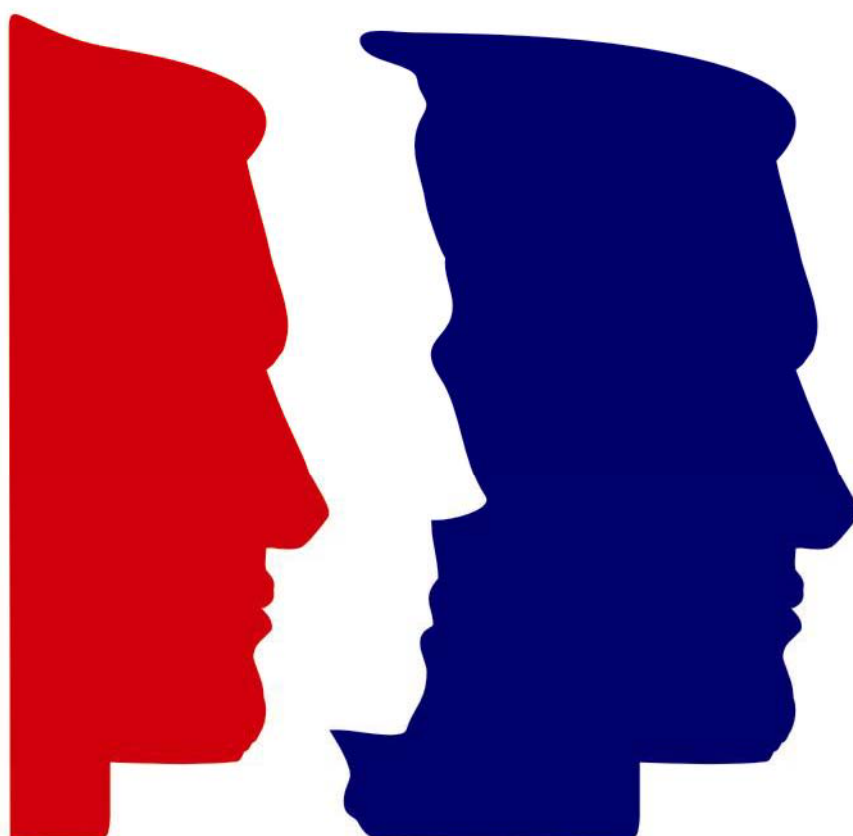


# STATUTE

UNION OF  
ASSOCIATION OF CROATIAN DEFENDERS TREATED  
FROM POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER,  
REPUBLIC OF CROATIA



**UACDT-PTSD CRO**

CROATIA

Zagreb

Slavenskoga 9

The Statute of Union of Association of Croatian defenders treated from posttraumatic stress disorder, Republic of Croatia

( I ) ORIGINAL GROUNDS

Paragraph 1.

With this statute the issues of notion, headquarter, goal, activities, course of guidance, organisation, financing and other matters important for functioning of the Union of Organizations is settled. The Union of Association is organized as a nongovernmental, impolitic non-profit organization based on the principles of egalitarianism, solidarity and humanness.

Paragraph 2.

The Union's notion is:

UNION OF ASSOCIATIONS OF CROATIAN DEFENDERS TREATED FROM  
POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER, REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

The abbreviation of the Organization is: UACDT-PTSD CRO

Association operates on the area of the Republic of Croatia. The Association is represented and feigned by the president and general secretary. In case of absence of the afore-mentioned figures, the Association is represented by the member authorized by the president or the general secretary of the Union.

Paragraph 3.

The headquarter of the Union of Associations is in Zagreb, Slavenskoga 9.

Activity of the Association is public.

Publicity is achieved by submitting handouts about the Association's activity to membership, press and other interested about this matter.

Paragraph 4.

The Union of Associations is a legal entity.

Paragraph 5.

The Union of Association has a logo.

The logo of the Association is constituted from 3 parts.

- First part represents a human's head profile, which exceeds from red colour to blue and white, the second part is the Croatian wattle, and it is situated under the profile and its length is equal to the width of the profile, the wattle is coloured gold, the third part is the abbreviation of the organization, and it is situated under the wattle and coloured in black
- The Association has a light blue flag which is bordered with golden fringes and on its center there is the Association's logo.

Paragraph 6.

The Union of Association possesses a stamp.

- The stamp of the Association is circular, it's diameter is 30 mm, and by the perimeter there is text enrolled: UNION OF ASSOCIATIONS OF CROATIAN DEFENDERS TREATED FROM POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER, and in the center is the address of the headquarter, Republic of Croatia, Zagreb, Slavenskoga 9.

The stamp is guarded and authorized to use only by the president, general secretary or other members authorized by the president or general secretary of the Association.

## ( II ) AIMS AND ACTIVITIES

### Paragraph 7.

Basic aims of the Union of Association are custody for acquiring status and representing interests of Croatian defenders treated from PTSD and other mental illnesses caused by war, in order to eliminate consequences through company and mutual assistance, help in psychosocial reintegration through the center for Croatian defenders and members of their families.

### Paragraph 8.

In purpose of actualization of the goal assigned by paragraph 7. the Union of Associations will perform following activities:

- assembling of Croatian defenders treated from PTSD, participants of the Patriotic War on the area of the Republic of Croatia
- protection of status and furtherance of interests and goals of the members of the Organization and of the participants and victims in Patriotic War
- cooperation with adequate government departments and other government institutions because of fulfillment of needs, interests and protection of the status of a treated defender
- cooperation and bonding with international organizations of veterans and institutions of other countries, and with foundations of other countries, which in any way provide for defenders treated from PTSD
- layout of the truth about Patriotic war in Croatia and abroad
- protection of honor and dignity of the defenders who died in Patriotic war
- taking care of memories about Patriotic war and heroic acts of its participants and initiating and participating in its scientific, artistic, religious and monumental declaration.

### Paragraph 9.

The Union gathers these following activities:

- work on the process of social integration of Croatian defenders treated from PTSD and members of their families
- prevention and assistance with consequences of secondary traumatization
- organizing seminars and educating the members of the Organization, their families and general Croatian public
- public presentation and working achievements
- exchanging experiences between families
- stimulating the members of the Association to organize their free time
- organizing recreational activities for the members of the Association and their families

- formation of professional teams for help, formation of groups for self-assistance for Croatian defenders treated from PTSD
- cooperation with public administration and self-administration departments and with adequate skilled institutions
- encouraging to explore the subject of PTSD and other psychosocial effects of war
- formation of constitutional forms on which the Executive office of the Association decides
- pursuing other activities according to the goals and activities which were settled with this statute

### ( III ) MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNION OF ACDT-PTSD

#### Paragraph 10.

Every Association of PTSD which has a legal identity can become a member of UACD-PTSD if she has goals in accordance with the Statute, principles and the program of UACDT-PTSD.

#### Paragraph 11.

The Presidency of UACDT-PTSD reconsiders documentation which is with the demand for application every Association of Croatian defenders treated from PTSD obligated to apply in following order:

- the solution about signing in to the register of Association
- the Statute
- list of their members
- records about work and decisions of the establishment assembly
- names of the persons who are authorized to represent
- decision about receiving into the membership of UACDT-PTSD is brought by the presidency with more than half of total votes
- every member is obligated to adjust it's statute to the statute of the Union

#### Paragraph 12.

A member of the UACDT-PTSD has a right to participate in everyday's work and formation of the UACDT-PTSD, especially with suggestions and demands, and through their representatives in the departments of UACDT-PTSD they have the right to decide about afore-mentioned matters.

#### Paragraph 13.

For every department of UACDT-PTSD, a member can recomend no more than two candidates.

#### Paragraph 14.

The members of the UACDT-PTSD have an obligation:

- to realize the goals of the UACDT-PTSD
- to comply to the decrees of the Statute and to other general acts of UACDT-PTSD
- to implementate decisions of the presidency and of the departements of UACDT-PTSD

- to guard interests and reputation, and to respect the moral code of behaviour in UACDT-PTSD
- to render reports to the Union, and the plan and program of work for the next year

The membership in UACDT-PTSD ends:

- by voluntary action
- by the decision of the court of Honour of UACDT-PTSD about elimination
- death of one of the members
- by stopping the Union to exist

The Court of Honour will bring a decision about excluding a member if a member:

- permanently damages the repute of the of the Union and other member of the Union with his actions
- breaks regulations of this statute or
- works and acts against decisions of the Union's departement

The decision of the Court of Honour is final.

#### ( IV ) DEPARTMENTS OF GUIDANCE

Paragraph 15.

Departments of guidance are:

- general assembly
- presidency
- Executive office
- Court of Honour

Paragraph 16.

When administrating the Union the general assembly is the highest department.

The assembly is constituted of 2 representatives of every Association in the Union.

Paragraph 17.

The general assembly can be regular, electoral and exeptional.

Paragraph 18.

The general assembly is regulary held at least once during the course of year, meanwhile the elective meeting of the assembly is held every 4 years. The meetings of the assembly is called only by the presidency. In the decision about convening the assembly, the presidency determins the agenda of the meeting, and the date and place where the meeting will be held. The presidency is obligated to convene the meeting when it is asked by at least 2/3 of the members of the assembly or the Executive office of the Union. In it's demand for convening the assembly the proposers are obligated to propose the agenda of the meeting. If the presidency does not convene the meeting of the assembly in term of 15 days from the day the demand from item 3. from this article was called , it will be called by the proposer (decision needs to contain the proposition for the agenda , and the date and place where the meeting will be held).

Paragraph 19.

The general assembly is chaired and decisions are signed by the president or the general secretary of the Union, and in their absence they are substituted by a member authorized by the president or general secretary. In case of absence of the president or the general secretary

of the Union, decisions are signed by the person defined by the assembly by public voting. A record kept permanently in the archive of the Union is held about the work of the assembly. The general assembly brings legitimate decisions with more than half of votes of all of the members of the assembly.

Paragraph 21.

The assembly of the Union:

- brings and changes the statute of the Union
- brings the total bill(account)
- brings and changes the Program of work
- brings other acts and decisions important for the work of the Union
- elects and dissolutes the members of the Executive office and of the Court of Honour
- elects and dissolutes the president and the general secretary of the Union
- contemplates and accepts decisions about the work of the Union
- gives guidance for the work of the Union
- founds and nominates committes, and determines their tasks proposed by the presidency
- does other affairs ordained by the law or the Statute

PRESIDENCY

Paragraph 22.

Executive functions and other affairs ordained by this Statute are done by the presidency of the Union.

Paragraph 23.

The presidency is formed by the Presidents of Associations joint members of the Association, the President of the Union and the general secretary. Presidency is a executive and operational collegial authority. President or the general secretary calls for the meetings of the Presidency and manages the work of the Presidency.

Paragraph 24.

Presidency

- calls for the General Assembly of the Union
- determines a proposition for the Program of work, of the Statute, other general acts which are endured to the Assembly for consideration and acceptans
- gives proposition to the Court of Honour about elimination of the member of the Union
- decides about admission in the Union
- nominates commissions and similar departments by need and determines their tasks
- does other affairs forecasted by the Statute and other general acts of the Union

Paragraph 25.

The general assembly of the Presidency is called by the President of the Union. Decisions of the Presidency are brought by more than half votes of all of the members of the Presidency. Decision about calling the meeting of the assembly is brought by the Presidency with 2/3 votes of all of the members of the Presidency. The meetings of the Presidency are held by need on which the president decides and it must be held at least once in 3 months period.

Paragraph 26.

For its work the Presidency is responsible to the Assembly. The presidency endures an annual report about its work to the Assembly.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Paragraph 27.

The executive Office of the Union pursues and supervises the work of the departments determined with this Statute. The office notifies its findings and opinions to the Assembly of the Union or the President or the general secretary of the Union and department whose work has been supervised.

Paragraph 28.

The Executive Office determines if the function of the Union in accordance to the law, Statute and other acts of the Union. The Executive Office brings decisions with more than half votes of the members of the Executive Office. The Executive Office brings a Regulator about the work of the Executive Office which is confirmed by the Presidency of the Union.

## COURT OF HONOUR

Paragraph 29.

- Court of Honour has 5 members elected by the assembly of the UACDT-PTSD, their mandate is 4 years
- brings a Regulator of its work which is confirmed by the Presidency of the Union
- Court of Honour will bring a decision about enduring members: if a member permanently harms the reputation of the Union and of the other members of the Union with its actions
- if trespasses decrees of this Statute
- if works and acts against decisions of the departments of the Union
- Court of Honour brings decisions with more than half votes of the members
- decision of the Court of Honour is final.

## PRESIDENT OF THE UNION

Paragraph 30.

President of the Union is elected by the General Assembly on a mandate that lasts 4 years. President of the Union is by its function also President of the Presidency and president of the Assembly.

President

- represents the Union
- starts a discussion about certain questions from the field of the Assembly and Presidency of the Union
- brings decisions and manages the work of the Union in accordance to the Statute of the Union
- takes care of acquainting the public with the work of the Assembly and its departments
- manages the work of the Assembly and the Presidency
- does other affairs ordained by this Statute, Regulator and other general acts of the Union.

President of the Union submits a report of his work to the Assembly and by need to the Presidency of Union. In case of absence, president is substituted by the general secretary or a person appointed by the President or general secretary, in all affairs.

## GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE UNION

Paragraph 31.

The General secretary is elected and appointed by the Assembly on a proposition of the President of the Union on a mandate 4 years long for accomplishing professional-administrative affairs in the Union.

General secretary leads a register of the members of the Association of the Union and of representatives, members of the Union. General secretary is by function a member of the Presidency.

General secretary duties are:

- preparation of the plan of the proposition of the general acts brought by the Assembly
- guides and preserves the archive of the Union
- does professional and other affairs for the needs of the Union in accordance to the Statute and general acts of the Union
- General secretary has his own stamp that is the secretary of the Union
- Can nominate secretaries who are confirmed by the Presidency of the Union

## ( V ) PROPERTY OF THE UNION AND MANNERS OF ACQUISITING PROPERTY

Paragraph 32.

Property of the Union is:

- finance resources
- mobile objects
- immobile subjects
- rights and commitments of the Union

Paragraph 33.

The Union acquires property

- from subsidies
- charitable contributions and donations
- other sources in accordance to law

## ( VI ) CESSATION OF WORK OF THE UNION

Union ceases working in cases forecasted by law. In case of the cessation of work of the Union the property will belong to the founders.

In case of cessation of work based on a decree by the Assembly, the Assembly brings a decree about cessation of work of the Union by 2/3 majority from total numbers of votes of members of the Assembly of the Union.

( VII ) TRANZITIONAL AND TERMINAL DECREES

Paragraph 34.

The Statute of the Union is brought by the Assembly with 2/3 majority from total number of votes of members in the Assembly after a implemented discussion.

Paragraph 35.

The interpretation of the decrees of this Statute is given by the Assembly of the Union.  
The interpretation of other acts is given by the Presidency of the Union.

In Varaždin, September 4. 2004.

President of the Association  
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