### ASSOCIATION "CONSTRUIRE LA GRANDE PYRAMIDE"

(A.C.G.P.)

### **STATUTES**

(Extracts)

#### I. PURPOSE - COMPOSITION - RESOURCES

#### Article 1: Name

An Association governed by the French law of July 1, 1901, and the decree of August 15, 1901, is hereby established between the members of the present Articles of Association:

Association " Construire la Grande Pyramide", for short A.C.G.P.

## Article 2: History

The method of construction of the Great Pyramids of Egypt, on the Giza plateau, particularly that of KHUFU, constitutes a problem which, to this day, has received no satisfactory solution and is of particular interest to experts in civil engineering. A complete theory for solving it has been developed by Messrs. Henri and Jean-Pierre HOUDIN in several publications and was the subject of a Certificate of Utility issued by the "Institut National de la Propriété Industrielle" (INPI) in accordance with the Intellectual Property Code - Books VI, on 18.10.2002 under number 0017139 (n<sup>2</sup>) publication 2 818 674).

## Article 3: Purpose

The purpose of the Association is to bring together the scientific, technical, and financial resources required to support the development and recognition of the theory mentioned in Article 2 and to study the internal structure of the great smooth pyramids of the Fourth Dynasty, based on the example of the pyramid of Khufu. It will focus on the detection of as yet unknown cavities, particularly in the context of the working hypothesis admitting the existence of internal ramps used for the construction of this monument as defined by the theory.

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## Article 6: Membership

The Association is open to physical persons - Individual Members - or legal entities - Collective Members -, Associate Members and Foundation Members. Individual members may be physical persons who submit a letter of application to the Chairman of the Board of Directors. Corporate Members may be legal entities that submit a letter of application to the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Associate Members may be representatives of public or private bodies and scientific and technical associations. Foundation Members may include public authorities or organizations, federations, and professional bodies. **Honorary Membership** is awarded by the Chairman, after consultation with the Board of Directors, to persons who have rendered outstanding services to the Association and/or whose cultural work supports and facilitates its activities. Honorary members are exempt from membership fees and have no voting rights. On the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors submits the list of new members to the Annual General Meeting each year. Membership is subject to acceptance by the Chairman of the Board and payment of the annual subscription.

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## **Article 8: Volunteer functions**

Members of the Association may not receive any remuneration in respect of their duties within the Association.

# Article 9: Resources

The Association draws its resources from

- membership fees
- subsidies from the State, local authorities, or public establishments
- authorized subsidies from legal entities or individuals
- subsidies from international organizations
- and generally, from all other sources of funding in cash or in kind, in particular donations, legacies, invoicing of services within the framework of the laws in force.

Membership fees are payable on admission, by ordinary mail. The amount of annual fees is initially set by the Board of Directors; modifications are then voted by the Annual General Meeting on the Treasurer's proposal. Founding members may redeem their dues in accordance with the law. Associate or collective founder members are exempt from paying

membership fees.

# Article 10: Means of action

The Association may use the widest possible means of action. It may acquire and use all necessary technical and scientific equipment. It is empowered to acquire the most extensive material assets and resources.

The Association may take legal action to defend its specific interests, as well as general cultural, scientific, and ethical interests.

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### Article 14: The Scientific and Technical Committee

The Scientific and Technical Committee is made up of members elected by the General Assembly, for a period of four years following a call for applications. It may be supplemented, until the next General Assembly, for a number at most equal to one third, by external personalities, qualified for their skills, designated by the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The number of participants in this committee is determined by the Board of Directors on the proposal of the President of the Scientific and Technical Committee himself designated by this Council. Half of the Scientific and Technical Committee is renewed every two years. Outgoing members may be re-elected. Following the directives of the Board of Directors, he takes care of the scientific and technical activities of the Association. Its mission is to study, compare and propose the implementation of non-destructive detection means to analyze the structure of the monument and in particular search for internal construction galleries.

It is in fact out of the question to carry out any excavation or other physical damage to the building itself. With a multidisciplinary approach, the Committee calls on the most advanced skills in quantitative methods. It will more particularly examine the possibilities of using the following disciplines:

- archeology
- microgravimetry
- infrared thermography
- radar reflectometry
- ultrasonic ultrasound
- seismic tomography
- the technique of multi-electrode direct current devices
- the Slingram type electromagnetic technique with low induction number
- radiomagnetotellurics RMT
- architectural and geomatic photogrammetry

and other disciplines.

He issues recommendations for the implementation on the site of several processes, which he considers best suited, to cross-reference the results and not miss a major discovery.

He prepares the authorization request files from the Egyptian authorities responsible for the management of the pyramids.

He prepares execution contracts with companies or research teams, having made concrete and quantified proposals, which he will have retained.

He coordinates scientific communications and media publications.

He draws up the technical file for requests for aid or authorization, the scientific and technical report on the use of aid and an annual activity report submitted to the Board of Directors.

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