

## THE LAW ON THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE STATE CULTURAL HERITAGE ORGANIZATION

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ARTICLE. 1 - Definition : The Cultural Heritage consist of the Ancient Remains by which the human's movement throughout the history shall be introduced and the background of their identity as well as the direction of his of cultural movement would be possible through knowing them; in this manner the Human being's lesson learning shall be developed.

The State Cultural Heritage Organization being established on the strength of the law approved on January.30,1986 shall be referred to as organization hereafter, and will be managed in accordance with the provisions of this Articles of Association.

ARTICLE. 2 - Purpose : To learn lesson from the human's cultural movement, and to survive and protect the community's Cultural identity and entity.

ARTICLE. 3 - Responsibilities of organization : The responsibilities of the organization concerning the Cultural Heritage includes of research, control, preserve, restore and introduction as set forth hereinbelow :

- 1- To prepare, to regulate and to perform Research Programmes concerning the relics remained from people who lived in the past.
- 2- To examine and to survey the surroundings, hills, buildings and historical complexes and to prepare a comprehensive list of them as well as the Archaeological Map of the country.
- 3- To perform archaeological research and scientific excavations.
- 4- To perform Anthropography studies, Anthropological researches, Biological Anthropology and the identification of the native culture of

the various districts of the country.

5- To make research on Traditional Arts and to provide the required possibilities for their preservation, restoration and development.

6- To enter the state's highly valued moveable and immovable Cultural-Historical Relics in the list of National Relics and the concerned indexes.

7- To perform exclusively all legal affairs relating to the Cultural Heritage and to lodge penal claims against those who breach the laws governing the State's Cultural Heritage whether as claimant or plaintiff as the case may be.

8- To take necessary measures in respect to identifying and the return of the Iranian Cultural property, whether at national or international level through the concerned authorities.

9- To identify and to take possession of all highly valued Cultural-Historical property considered as Cultural-Heritage and have been confiscated by the responsible organizations.

Note. All Courts, Customs, Police and Similar governmental organizations somehow deal with the confiscation of the property, are bound to deliver the property having Cultural-Historical value to the State Cultural Heritage Organization.

10- To prepare and to perform required plans in respect to safe guarding preserving, repairing, improving and restoring the highly valued Cultural-Historical Relics, buildings and complexes.

11- To make comments about all comprehensive and detailed developing plans in connection with the cultural and historical zones and to make final agreement about the highly valued Cultural-Historical surroundings, Textures and buildings, in respect to the foregoing matters and to prevent their destructions.

12- To specify the boundaries of the registered, historical buildings, complexes, surroundings and hills as well as the specific architectural

design and standards of the interior part of the boundaries.

13- To present the highly valued Cultural-Historical Relics through museums, exhibitions and the likes.

14- To establish, To develop and to manage all museums throughout the country.

15- To establish the Deeds And Documents Center of the State Cultural Heritage (Such as scientific reports, maps and the pictures of the buildings etc ...) for the rendering scientific and research services in this regard.

16- To introduce and to popularize the cultural heritage values at national and international levels, through printing and publishing the collection of studies and the researches performed and to take advantage of audio-visual means and mass media.

17- To regulate, to compile and to publish the Encyclopedia of Iranian Historical Relics and Buildings.

18- To develop the research activities in the various Cultural Heritage fields and to encourage the researchers, artisans and master craftsmen.

19- To prepare and to put into effect the training programmes in order to make ready the efficient manpowers in the fields of the cultural heritage with coordination of the concerned organizations.

20- To encourage people in participation of the activities relating to the knowledge of preservation and restoration of the cultural heritage and supervision over them.

21- To establish and to develop the cultural Heritage Associations at national level.

Note. The manner of establishment and the Scope of the duties and the authorities of such Associations shall be determined by the council of the organization.

22- To establish communication and exchange of the scientific and

Cultural information with the concerned institutions and organizations at natural and international level, specifically with the Islamic and Regional countries, to set up the required periodical Congresses and Seminars.

23- To have close cooperation with the Ministry of Culture And Islamic Guidance in the area of around-Iran-Tour and Tourism affairs.

24- To render consultant, research, technical and training services. To sell the cultural products. To receive admission to the buildings, areas, museums, and exhibitions; to accept gifts, contributions and the likes.

ARTICLE. 4 - The organs of the organization : The organization has Two organs. (1) The Organization's Council. (2) The Head of Organization.

ARTICLE. 5 - Organization's council : In order to make extra coordination in the affairs relating to the cultural heritage at national level.

The Organization's council will be formed with 8 members as set forth hereinbelow :

- 1- Minister of Culture And Higher Education (Chairman of the Council)
- 2- Minister of Culture And Islamic Guidance
- 3- Minister of Interior
- 4- Minister of justice
- 5- Minister of Foreign Affairs
- 6- Minister of Housing And Urban Construction
- 7- Managing Director of Radio & Television Organization
- 8- Head of the Organization (the Secretary of the Council)

Note. 1- In the case of even votes, such judgement may be accepted which the chairman of the council was among the voters.

Note. 2- The council's meetings shall be held ordinarily at least twice a year based on the Head of Organization's proposal and invitation and

chairing of Minister of Culture And Higher Education.

Note. 3- The council may invite those persons whose persence in the meeting shall be somehow necessary. Such persons have no voting right.

Note. 4- The Meeting shall have quorum with the presence of 5 members and the council's decisions will be valid with the votes of at least four members present at the meeting.

ARTICLE. 6 - Council's Responsibilities : The responsibilities of the organization's council are as follows :

1- To make general policy and procedures in accordance with the law on Establishment of the State Cultural Heritage Organization and the Organization's Articles of Association.

2- To examine the reports on the organization's activities and to comment about the circumstances thereof.

Note. All council's decisions shall be conveyed by the signature of the Minister of Culture And Higher Education.

ARTICLE. 7 - Head of Organization : The Head of Organization will be appointed by the order of Minister of Culture And Higher Education.

ARTICLE. 8 - Branches of the organization throughout the Country : The organization may establish its Branches with the opinion of Minister of Culture And Higher Education, in any part of the country where it is required, in proportion to the situation and with confirmation of the State Administrative And Civil Service Employment Organization. Such Branches will be responsible to carry out the affairs relating to Cultural Heritage of its District's activities in accordance with the present Articles of Association and the Organization's approvals under supervision of the Head of Organization.

ARTICLE. 9 - All different Rules and Regulation shall be cancelled as of the approval date of this law.