

CFCFA

Constitution & By Laws

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ADB - Editor

- On article 3 Qualification for Membership
Membership shall be open to non-profit carrier, freight forwarder, and logistics services provider associations in the CAREC region that are the most representative of the sub-sector which they purport to represent

Editor's comment: Who is to say whether or not a prospective member has the largest membership base? Government?

- On article 4 Admission for Membership
The application will be examined by the Executive Board, in consultation with active members in the country where the applicant is based as well as with reliable sources. The applicant will be notified in writing of the CFCFA Executive Board's decision on its application

Editor's comment: Vague (what is the criteria for reliable) and therefore may be problematic. At the very least, it casts doubt on the objectivity and fairness of the admission policy.

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- On article 4 Admission for Membership
If an application is not endorsed by the active member(s) from the applicant's country, the application shall be submitted to the General Assembly, which may, in lieu of the national association, approve the candidate's application for submission to the Executive Board for its consideration.

Editor's comment: This may cause internal friction as it will definitely breed resentment from the national association/s which voted to reject the application, for being overruled. May need elaboration on when the general assembly can overrule the national association

- On article 7 Expulsion from membership
 - Its membership base has been reduced significantly as compared with other associations in the sub-sector as identified in Article 3 in the country where it is based, and such *other?* associations expressed their wish to join the CFCFA and meet the requirements provided for in Article 3. The Executive Board may opt not to exclude the association with a significantly reduced membership base, but only transfer its vote to the other association that had sought to replace it and had been accredited as such by the Executive Board. Candidates for receiving the voting right shall be considered in the order of joining CFCFA. The association that was dispossessed of voting rights shall be made equal in all of its rights within CFCFA to a new entrant from the time of such dispossession.

Editor's comment: Might be a problem. Might be divisive. The natural tendency of the dispossessed association is to be truculent and obstructionist, at least against the association which replaced it. It might be simpler to just withdraw membership credentials.

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- On article 10 General Assembly Voting
Each Member has one vote, for a maximum of five (5) votes per country.

Editor's comment: Even the dispossessed ones? Perhaps it would be better, less confusing, if we create 2 members – Regular and Associate, with the former having voting rights and the latter none.

- On article 12 Executive Board
Associations from each of the CAREC countries shall propose one or more nominees for Executive Board Member position, and the General Assembly shall elect one of the nominees proposed by a CAREC country.

Editor's comment: Why not just ask a country delegation to designate a member of the Executive Board. Much simpler. (I guess the editor means let the national associations decide among themselves who to nominate as member of the executive Board instead of letting the general assembly vote on it)

AFG -AFFCA

- **Membership terminated if failed to pay membership subscription, fees and charges six months after the due date. (OK)**
- **The Executive Board shall be composed of the members representing each of the associations (instead of “country”) (No change)**
- **The Executive Board and Annual Meeting shall meet in the CAREC member’s countries by turn. (No Change)**

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- **60% of member attendance will constitute a quorum. (OK)**
- **General membership shall propose Executive Board candidates for election by members. (No change)**
- **Chairman and Vice Chairman shall serve 2 year terms. (No Change)**
- **Chinese shall be added to official CFCFA language (No Change)**

KAZ KFFA

- Inclusion of Kazakhstan Association of Forwarders and Carriage Operators, Union of International Automobile Forwarders of the Republic of Kazakhstan as CFCFA members. (OK, already included)

KGZ ASMAP

- Need to specify Secretariat location.
- It is not clear from what funds those fees are paid if members are not getting profits from the CFCFA activity.
(ADB will include such fee in funds disbursed for CPMM)

UZB ADBL

- Changed name of CFCFA to “Transport and Trade Logistics Federation”. (No change)
- Allows private companies to join as “individual members”. (No change)
- Founder of CFCFA to be given permanent voting right. (No change)

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Ratification by members

Organization Structure

- Executive Board members shall serve for 1 year term. One member per CAREC country (determined by consent of member associations of a given country), plus Chairman & Vice Chairman as Ex-Officio members.
- Chairman & Vice Chairman nominated by Executive Board, elected by members at General Assembly. Will serve 1 year term. Vice Chairman will become Chairman the following year.
- Secretary & Treasurer nominated by Executive Board, elected by members at General Assembly. Will serve 1 year term, but can be re-elected for subsequent years.

Election of Officers

- Executive Board members
- Chairman
- Vice Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Thank you!



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