DISABLED PEOPLES' INTERNATIONAL NORTH AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN, INC.
MEMBERS
AMENDED BY-LAW 4

4. MEMBERS

4.1 For the purpose of registration, the number of the members of the Company is declared not to exceed 20 but the Board may from time to time register an increase of members.

4.2 There shall be five (5) categories of membership in the Company. These categories shall be full, corporate, associate, individual and honorary. There shall be no limit on the number of members in each category provided that no member who is not a full member shall be entitled to vote at meetings. Membership shall consist of:

4.2.1 **Full Members** that shall be organisations that are incorporated national bodies situate in any territory or island in North America and the English-speaking, Dutch and Francophone countries of the Caribbean whose governing body constitute a minimum of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) person with disabilities and whose main object is the advancement of the interest of persons with disabilities. The Full Member shall seek the widest representation of groups of persons with disabilities of national populations as well as gender, religion and race. Full members shall exercise voting powers, send delegates to the Company organs, and nominate persons with disabilities to offices of the Board of Directors and DPI World Council.

4.2.2 **Associate Members** that shall be incorporated organizations whose main object is the advancement of the interest of persons with disabilities. Associate Members shall not be entitled to all the same rights and privileges as a Full Member. Associate Members shall have speaking rights at Meetings of the Company but not the right to vote, to nominate or be nominated to office.

4.2.3 **Corporate Members** that shall be incorporated regional and international disability organizations that support the objectives of the Company and are organizations where a majority of members as well as the governing bodies are persons with disabilities. Corporate Members shall not be entitled to all the same rights and privileges as a Full Member. Corporate Members shall have speaking rights at Regional Council Meetings of the Company but not the right to vote, nominate or be nominated to office.

4.2.4 **Individual Members** who shall be recommended by the Regional Council Meeting of the Company on recommendation by the Board to persons with disabilities who may not necessarily be in any Disabled Peoples' Organizations (DPOs), but who support the objectives of the Company and would wish to be associated with it. An Individual Member has no voting rights, nor the right to nominate or to be nominated to office, but has speaking rights.

4.2.5 **Honorary Members** who shall be prominent persons with and without disabilities who have contributed in a significant manner to the work of an organisation for persons with disabilities and/or to the Company. An Honorary Member shall not be entitled to the right to vote, nominee or be nominated to office.