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THE COMPANIES ACT NO. 7 of 2007 NOTICE OF A SPECIAL RESOLUTION 1



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Name of the Company	ALPHA FIRE SERVICES (PRIVATE) LIMITED :				
The ALPHA FIRE SERVICE passed by the company					ed copy of a Special Resolution
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NOTE

- The notice should be sent within 10 days after passing of the Special Resolution thereof (Including that passed under Section 15(2) but excluding that passed under section 8(1)
- Resolution: Text of the resolution must be printed or printed copy annexed hereto and be certified by a Director / Secretary

ALPHA FIRE SERVICES (PRIVATE) LIMITED.

NO: 487/5, OLD KOTTAWA ROAD, PANNIPITIYA

CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER RESOLUTION

CHANGE OF STATUS & ADOPTION OF ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE COMPANY

WHEREAS the Directors of the Company have recommended to the Shareholders the need for the change of the Company's status from "Private Limited "to "Limited" to accommodate the public listing of the Company

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that The status of the Company to be changed from "Alpha Fire Services (Private) Limited" to "Alpha Fire Services Limited" and the Company Secretary to take necessary steps to complete this process and obtain the Certificate of Incorporation with the new name and number and status change

WHEREAS IN CONSEQUENCE of the Change of the status of the Company, it is necessary that the Articles of Association of the Company be accordingly changed

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Shareholders and for the purpose of identification signed and subscribed by the Chairman hereof, be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company, in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, all the existing Articles thereof.

Dated this 30th day of September 2021

We certify that the above is a true extract from the Minutes of the Company and please be guided accordingly.

CHAIRMAN

COMPANY SECRETARY

FATHIMA SHAMA ISMAIL

Attorney-at-Law, Notary Public Commissioner for Oaths and Company Secretary Sec 1025/93 The Regulations contained in this printed document submitted to at the meeting of the Shareholders held on 30th September 2021 and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman hereof, be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company, in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, all the existing Articles thereof.

CHAIRMAN

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF

ALPHA FIRE SERVICES LIMITED

(As adopted by Special Resolution passed on the 30th day of September 2021)

The Rules contained in the First Schedule to the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007, shall not apply to the Company, which shall be governed solely by the regulations contained in these Articles of Association subject however to repeal, alteration or addition by Special Resolution. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, in the event of there being any conflict in the provisions contained herein and the substantive provisions of the law as set out in the Companies Act aforesaid or in the event of these Articles being silent on any matter, the provisions if any, in the said Companies Act in relation thereto, shall apply to the Company. Further all agreements or written arrangements entered into prior to adoption of these Articles of Association the contents of which directs any governance of the Company shall cease to exist and accordingly not applicable to the governance of the Company

First Schedule & other Agreements not to apply **2.** In these presents, if not inconsistent with the subject or context, the words standing in the first column of the table next hereafter contained shall bear the meanings set opposite to them respectively in the second column thereof.

Interpretation

WORDS

MEANINGS

The Company Alpha Fire Services Limited a

Company having the liability of its Members limited to the amount, if any, unpaid on the shares held by

them respectively.

The Statutes The Companies Act No. 7 of 2007, all

amendments thereto including all regulations made thereunder and every other Act or Ordinance for the time being in force concerning companies and affecting the

Company.

The Act The Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 and

all amendments thereto including all

regulations made there under.

Listing Rules Rules for the time being in force of

the Colombo Stock Exchange and/or the Central Depository Systems (Private) Ltd., and amendments

thereto.

These Presents These Articles of Association as herein

adopted or as from time to time

altered by Special Resolution.

Ordinary Resolution, And Special Resolution Have the meanings assigned thereto respectively by the Act.

The Directors The Directors of the Company for the

time being acting in conformity with these Articles (including where the context so requires or admits) Alternate Directors and shall also include a reference to "the Board"

The Board The Directors of the Company acting

collectively at Meetings of Directors properly convened and constituted and shall include a reference to "the

Directors"

Members The shareholders of the Company for

the time being and from time to time.

Office The Registered Office of the

Company.

Seal The Common Seal of the Company

Working Day A day other than Saturday, Sunday or

a Public holiday.

Month Calendar month

Year Calendar year

In writing Written or produced by any substitute

for writing, or partly one and partly

another.

Dividend Has the meaning assigned thereto by

the Act.

Distributions Has the meaning assigned thereto by

the Act and shall also include an issue of shares made by way of a

capitalization of Reserves.

Paid up or credited as paid up.

Stated Capital Has the meaning assigned thereto by

the Act.

The expression "debenture" or "debenture holder" shall include, "debenture stock" and "debenture stockholder" and the expression "Secretary" or "Secretaries" shall include any person, firm or company appointed by the directors to perform any of the duties of the Secretary and shall include an Assistant Secretary.

Words importing the singular number only shall include the plural and vise versa, and words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender and words importing persons shall include corporations and Companies.

Save as aforesaid, any words or expressions defined in the Act shall, if not inconsistent with the subject or context, bear the same meaning in these presents.

The marginal notes are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of these presents.

OBJECTS

3. Subject to the provisions of any written law of Sri Lanka or of any other country and the provisions of these Articles, the Company shall have both within Sri Lanka and outside Sri Lanka, the rights, powers and privileges necessary and for this purpose to perform any act or enter into any transaction with all necessary rights, powers and privileges to

Objects of the company

A. carry on and undertake any business or activity within and outside Sri Lanka

B. do any act or enter into any transaction provided however that the Company shall not engage in business activities related to alcohol, tobacco, products, gaming, gambling, weapons and conventional financial services

CAPITAL

4. The Board may resolve to increase such capital from time to time by the creation and issue of new shares (including different classes of shares which confer rights other than those set out in Article 6 hereof) at such consideration and on such terms and conditions and whether redeemable or otherwise and with or without a right of preference whether in respect of dividend or repayment of capital, voting or otherwise or such other special, limited or conditional rights (including the conferring of no voting rights) or with such deferred rights to the original or other shares of the Company as the Board may by the resolution sanctioning the increase determine and fully set out in the Terms of Issue in relation to such new shares of the Company.

Power to increase the Capital

5. (1) Prior to the issue of any shares as provided for in these presents, the Board shall decide on the consideration at which a share shall be issued which consideration shall, in its opinion, be fair and reasonable to the Company and all existing Shareholders.

Consideration

- (2) The consideration for which a share is issued may take such form or a combination of such forms, including
 - (a) Cash
 - (b) Promissory Notes
 - (c) Future services
 - (d) Property of any kind or
 - (e) Other securities of the Company
- **6.** Unless otherwise determined by the Terms of Issue of such shares, a Share in the Company shall confer on the holder thereof —

Rights conferred by shares

- (a) The right to one vote on a poll at a meeting of the Company on any resolution;
- (b) The right to an equal share in dividends paid by the Company;
- (c) The right to an equal share in the distribution of the surplus assets of the Company on liquidation.
- 7. The Terms of Issue referred to in these presents shall be—

Terms of Issue

- (a) consistent with the provisions of these presents (and be invalid and of no effect to the extent that they are not so consistent); and
- (b) Deemed to form part of the Articles of Association of the Company and be binding on the Company and its members as set out in Section 16 of the Act.

SHARES

8. The Shares created as aforesaid shall be at the disposal of the Board, and subject to the provisions of Article 9 hereof and such other applicable provisions of the Act or these presents as hereinafter set out, the Board may allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons as they think proper.

Shares at the disposal of the Board

9. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, unless approved by a Special Resolution of the relevant interest group, the Directors shall in the issue of shares which rank equally with or above existing Shares in relation to voting or distribution rights, first offer such shares to the holders of the existing shares (being the relevant interest group) in such manner as would, if the offer was accepted (fractions being ignored), maintain the relative voting and distribution rights of those shareholders.

Interest Group

10. (1) The Company may purchase or otherwise acquire any of its own shares in accordance with the provisions of sections 64 or 67 of the Act or otherwise in accordance with the terms of an order of court made pursuant to the provisions of the Act.

Power to acquire own shares

(2) The Company shall however not give any financial assistance directly or indirectly, for the purpose of or in connection with the acquisition of its own shares other than in accordance with the provisions of sections 70 and 71 of the Act.

Restriction in giving financial assistance

11. The Company may redeem a share in accordance with the provisions of the Act, which by the terms of issue thereof, is a redeemable share.

Power to redeem shares

12. (1) The Company may by Ordinary Resolution:

Power to consolidate shares

- (a) Consolidate all or any of its shares issued at the time, with the objective of reducing the number of shares in issue;
- (b) Sub-divide (split) all or any of its shares issued at the time, with the objective of increasing the number of shares in issue.
- (2) The Company may by Special Resolution reduce its capital in such manner as authorized by the Act.

Power to reduce capital

13. The Company may, subject to the provisions of the Act, pay a commission to any person subscribing or agreeing to subscribe (whether absolutely or conditionally) for any shares in the Company or procuring or agreeing to procure subscriptions (whether absolute or conditional) for any shares in the Company but so that, if the commission shall be paid or be payable out of capital, the statutory conditions and requirements if any in relation thereto, shall be observed and complied with and the commission shall not exceed ten percent of the value of the shares in each case subscribed or to be subscribed. Such commission may be satisfied in whole or in part by the allotment (if so agreed) of fully or partly paid shares. The Company may also on any issue of shares pay such brokerage as may be lawful.

Power to pay commission and brokerage

VARIATION OF RIGHTS

14. Whenever the shares of the Company are divided into different classes, the special rights attached to any class may subject to the provisions of the Act be varied or abrogated only with the sanction of a Special Resolution passed at a separate General Meeting of the holders of such shares (but not otherwise), and may be so varied or abrogated either whilst the Company is a going concern or during or in contemplation of a Winding Up. To every such separate General Meeting all the provisions of these presents relating to General Meetings of the Company or to the proceedings thereat, shall mutatis mutandis apply.

Variation of special rights of issued shares

General Meeting of holders of a class of shares

15. Except as required by law or otherwise permitted by the Act, no person shall be recognized by the Company as holding any share upon any trust, and the Company shall not be bound by or compelled in any way to recognize any equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any share or any interest in any fractional part of a share, or (except only as by these presents provided) any other right in respect of any share, expect an absolute right to the entirety thereof in the registered holder.

Exclusion of equities

CERTIFICATES

16. (1) Every person whose name is entered as a Member in the Register of Members shall be entitled without payment to receive within two months after allotment or lodgement of a valid transfer (or within such other period as the terms of issue shall provide or in the case of shares or debentures quoted on the Colombo Stock Exchange within such period as may be stipulated by the Colombo Stock Exchange) one certificate for all his shares of any one class or upon payment for every certificate after the first of such sum as the Directors shall from time to time determine, several certificates, each for one or more of his shares of any one class. Where a Member transfer's part only of the shares comprised in a certificate the old certificate shall be cancelled and a new certificate for the balance of such shares issued in lieu without charge. Every certificate shall be issued under the seal and bear the signatures of at least one Director and the Secretary, or such other person as may be authorized by the Directors, and shall specify the shares to which it relates, and the amount paid up thereon. Provided that the Company shall not be bound to register more than three persons as the joint-holders (including the principal holder) of any shares (except in the case of executors, administrators or heirs of a deceased member), and in the case of a share held jointly by several persons, the company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate therefor and delivery of a certificate to one of such persons or his duly authorized representative shall be sufficient delivery to all.

Issue of certificates

Any certificates if sent by post shall be sent at the risk of the person entitled thereto.

- (2) Where the Directors so resolve, one of the signatures in witness of the Seal upon share or debenture certificates issued by the Company according to the provisions of these Articles, may, with the approval and subject to the control of the auditors, transfer auditors or bankers of the Company, be in the form of an autographic signature stamped or printed or impressed thereon.
- **17.** If a share certificate be defaced, lost or destroyed, it may be renewed on payment of such fee (if any) as may be determined by the Directors from time to time, and on such terms (if any) as to evidence and indemnity and the payment of out-of-pocket expenses of the Company in investigating evidence as the Directors think fit.

Renewal of Certificates

CALLS ON SHARES

18. The Directors may from time to time make calls upon the Members in respect of any moneys unpaid on their shares and not by the terms of issue thereof made payable at fixed times, provided that no call on any share shall exceed one-fourth of the consideration payable on the share or be payable at less than one month from the date fixed for the payment of the last preceding call and each Member shall (subject to at least twenty days' notice being given specifying the time or times and place of payment) pay to the Company at the time or times specified, the amount called on his shares. A call may be revoked or postponed as the Directors may determine.

Calls

19. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Directors authorizing the call was passed and may be made payable by instalments.

Time when made

20. The joint-holders of shares shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect thereof.

Liability of jointholders

21. If a sum called in respect of a share is not paid before or on the date appointed for payment thereof, the person from whom the sum is due shall pay interest on the sum from the day appointed for payment thereof to the time of actual payment at such rate as the Directors may determine at the time of issue of such shares, but the Directors shall be at liberty to waive payment of such interest wholly or in part.

Interest on calls

22. Any sum which by the terms of issue of a share becomes payable upon allotment, or at any fixed date shall for all the purposes of these presents be deemed to be a call duly made and payable on the date on which by the terms of issue the same becomes payable, and in case of non-payment, all the relevant provisions of these presents as to payment of interest and expenses for forfeiture or otherwise shall apply as if such sum had become payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

Sum due on allotment to be treated as calls

23. The Directors may, subject to the provisions of the Act and these presents, on the issue of shares, differentiate between the holders as to the amount of calls to be paid, and the time of payment.

Power to differentiate

24. The Directors may, if they think fit, receive from any Member willing to advance the same all or any part of the moneys uncalled and unpaid upon the shares held by him and such payment in advance of a call shall extinguish, so far as the same shall extend, the liability upon the shares in respect of which it is made. In respect of the moneys paid in advance of calls, on so much thereof as from time to time exceeds the amount of the calls then made upon the shares concerned, the Company may pay interest at such rate as the Member paying such sum and the Directors agree upon.

Payment in advance of calls

FORFEITURE AND LIEN

25. (1) If a Member fails to pay in full any call or instalment of a call on the day appointed for the payment thereof, the Directors may at any time thereafter serve a notice on him requiring payment of so much of the call or instalment as is unpaid together with any interest and expenses which may have accrued.

Notice requiring payment of calls

(2) The notice shall name a further day (not being less than twenty-eight days from the date of the notice) on or before which and the place where the payment required by the notice is to be made and shall state that in the event of non-payment in accordance therewith, the shares on which the call was made will be liable to be forfeited.

Notice to state time and place for payment

26. If the requirements of any such notice as aforesaid are not complied with, any share in respect of which such notice has been given may at any time thereafter (before payment of all calls and interest and expenses due in respect thereof has been made), be forfeited by a resolution of the Directors to that effect. Such forfeiture shall include all dividends declared in respect of the forfeited share and not actually paid before forfeiture. The Directors may accept a surrender of any share liable to be forfeited hereunder.

Forfeiture on noncompliance of Notice

Surrender in lieu of forfeiture

27. A share so forfeited or surrendered shall become the property of the Company and may be sold re-allotted or otherwise disposed of, either to the person who was before such forfeiture, or surrender the holder thereof or entitled thereto, or to any other person, upon such terms and in such manner as the Directors shall think fit, and at any time before a sale, re-allotment or disposition the forfeiture or surrender may be cancelled on such terms as the Directors think fit. The Directors may, if necessary, authorize some person to transfer a forfeited or surrendered share to any such other person as aforesaid.

Sale of shares forfeited or surrendered

28. A Member whose shares have been forfeited or surrendered shall cease to be a Member in respect of the shares, but shall notwithstanding the forfeiture or surrender remain liable to pay the Company all moneys which as at the date of forfeiture or surrender were presently payable by him to the Company in respect of the shares, with interest thereon at such rate as the Directors may approve from the date of forfeiture or surrender until payment but the Directors may waive payment of such interest either wholly or in part.

Rights and liabilities of members whose shares have been forfeited or surrendered 29. The Company shall have a first and paramount lien on every share (not being a fully paid share) for all moneys, whether presently payable or not, called or payable at a fixed time in respect of such share, and the Company shall also have a first and paramount lien and charge on all shares (other than fully paid shares) standing registered in the name of a single Member for all the debts and liabilities of such single Member or his estate to the Company and that whether the same shall have been incurred before or after notice to the Company of any equitable or other interest in any person other than such Member, and whether the period for the payment or discharge of the same shall have actually arrived or not, and notwithstanding that the same are joint debts or liabilities of such Member or his estate and any other person, whether a Member of the Company or not. The

Company's lien (if any) on a share shall extend to all dividends payable thereon. The Directors may resolve that any share shall for some specified period be exempt from the provisions of this Company's lien

30. The Company may sell in such manner as the Directors think fit any share on which the Company has a lien, but no sale shall be made unless some sum in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable, nor until the expiration of twenty eight days after a notice in writing, stating and demanding payment of the sum presently payable, and giving notice of intention to sell in default, shall have been given to the holder for the time being of the share or the person entitled thereto by reason of his death or bankruptcy.

Article.

Sale of shares subject to lien

31. The net proceeds of such sale after payment of the costs of such sale shall be applied in or towards payment or satisfaction of the debt or liability in respect whereof the lien exists, so far as the same is presently payable, and any residue shall (subject to a like lien for debts or liabilities not presently payable as existed upon the shares prior to the sale) be paid to the person entitled to the shares at the time of the sale. For giving effect to any such sale the Directors may authorize some person to transfer the shares sold to the purchaser.

Application of proceeds of such sale

32. A declaration in writing under oath or affirmation that the declarant is a Director of the Company and that a share has been duly forfeited or surrendered or sold to satisfy a lien of the Company on a date stated in the declaration shall be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share and such declaration and the receipt of the Company for the consideration (if any) given for the share on the sale, re-allotment or disposal thereof, together with the certificate of proprietorship of the share under seal delivered to a purchaser or allottee thereof shall (subject to the execution of a transfer if the same be required) constitute a good title to the share, and the person to whom the share is sold, re-allotted or disposed of shall be registered as the holder of the share and shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money (if any) nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings with reference to the forfeiture, surrender, sale, re-allotment or disposal of the share.

Title to shares forfeited or surrendered or sold to satisfy a lien **33.** The provisions of these regulations shall apply in the case of non-payment of any sum which by the terms of issue of a share, becomes payable at a fixed time, on account of the consideration payable on the share, as if the same had been payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

Forfeiture for Non-payment of instalments

TRANSFER OF SHARES

34. Subject to such of the restrictions in these presents as may be applicable, any Member may transfer all or any of his shares by instrument in writing in any usual or common form or any other form which the Directors may approve and may be under hand only.

Form of Transfer

35. The instrument of transfer of a share shall be signed by or on behalf of the transferor and transferee, and the transferor shall be deemed to remain the holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered in the Register of Members in respect thereof.

Execution

36. The Directors may, in their absolute discretion and without assigning any reason therefor, decline to register any transfer of shares (not being fully paid shares) to a person of whom they shall not approve and they may also decline to register any transfer of shares (not being fully paid shares) on which the Company has a lien. If the Directors refuse to register a transfer, they shall within two months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company, send to the transferee notice of the refusal or where such shares are quoted on the Colombo Stock Exchange they shall within such period as may be stipulated by the Colombo Stock Exchange send the notice of refusal to such persons as stipulated by the Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange.

Directors power to refuse registration

37. The Directors may decline to recognize any instrument of transfer unless:

Deposit of transfer

- (i) The instrument of transfer properly stamped is deposited at the Office or such place as the Directors may appoint accompanied by the Certificate of the shares to which it relates, together with (where applicable) the written approval of the Securities and Exchange Commission in compliance with the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act No. 36 of 1987 and amendments thereto and such other evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer (and, if the instrument of transfer is executed by some other person on his behalf, the authority of that person so to do), and
- (ii) The instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of share.

All instruments of transfer which have been registered shall be retained by the Company.

- **38.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Articles —
- (1) So long as the Company is listed on the Colombo Stock Exchange, the company shall comply with the Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange and the Central Depository Systems (Pvt) Ltd., which shall be in force from time to time.

Compliance with the Rules of Colombo Stock Exchange and Central Depository Systems

(2) So long as the shares of the Company are quoted on a licensed Stock Exchange, the Directors may register without assuming any liability therefor any transfer of shares which is in accordance with the rules and regulations in force for the time being and from time to time and as laid down by such licensed Stock Exchange and/or any agency whose primary object is to act as a Central Depository for such Exchange.

Registration of quoted shares

(3) The shares of the Company quoted on the Colombo Stock Exchange shall be freely transferable and registration of the transfer of such quoted shares shall not be subject to any restriction, save and except to the extent required for purposes of compliance with statutory requirements.

Free transferability and registration of quoted shares

REGISTRATION OF TRANSFERS

39. The Directors may by such means as they shall deem expedient authorize the registration of transfers or transmissions of shares without the necessity of any meeting of the Directors for that purpose.

Registration without meeting

40. The Company may after notice published in the Gazette and in any newspaper circulating in the district of Colombo, suspend the registration of transfers and close the Register of Members for such period as the Directors may from time to time determine, provided always that such registration shall not be suspended or the Register of Members closed for more than thirty working days in any year.

Suspension of registration

41. There shall be paid to the Company in respect of the registration of any probate, letters of administration, certificate of marriage or death, power of attorney or other document relating to or affecting the title to any share or for making entry in the Register of Members affecting the title to any share, such fee, as the Directors may from time to time require or prescribe.

Fee for registration of probate

42. Nothing herein contained shall preclude the Directors from recognizing a renunciation of the allotment of any share by the allottee thereof in favour of some other person.

Renunciation of allotment

TRANSMISSION OF SHARES

43. In the case of the death of a Member the survivors or survivor where the deceased was a joint-holder, and the executors or administrators of the deceased where he was a sole or only surviving holder, shall be the only persons recognized by the Company as having any title to his shares, but nothing herein contained shall release the estate of a deceased holder (whether sole or joint) from any liability in respect of any share solely or jointly held by him.

Transmission on death

44. Any person becoming entitled to shares in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of any member, upon producing proper evidence of the grant of probate or letters of administration or such other evidence that he sustains the character in respect of which he proposes to act under this clause, or of his title, as the Directors think sufficient, may, with the consent of the Directors, be registered as a member in respect of such shares or may subject to the regulations as to transfers herein-before contained, transfer such shares. The Directors shall have the same right to refuse to register a person entitled to any shares by transmission in terms of this clause or his nominee, as if he were the transferee named in an ordinary transfer presented for registration.

Registration of executors etc.

45. A person becoming entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Member may give a discharge for all dividends and other moneys payable in respect of the share, but he shall not be entitled in respect thereof to exercise any right conferred by membership in relation to meetings of the Company, or save as otherwise provided by or in accordance with these presents, to any of the rights or privileges of a Member until he shall have become a Member in respect of the share.

Rights of unregistered executors etc.

GENERAL MEETINGS

46. The Company shall in each year hold a General Meeting as its Annual General Meeting in addition to any other meetings in that year. The Annual General Meeting shall be held not later than six months after the Balance Sheet date of the Company and not more than fifteen months shall elapse between the date of one Annual General Meeting of the Company and that of the next. The Annual General Meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Directors shall appoint.

Annual General Meeting

All General Meetings other than the Annual General Meetings shall be called Extraordinary General Meetings. The Directors may whenever they think fit, convene an Extraordinary General Meeting. Extraordinary
General Meeting

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETINGS

47. (1) An Annual General Meeting and any General Meeting at which it is proposed to pass a Special Resolution or (save as provided by the Act) a resolution of which special notice has been given to the Company, shall be called by fifteen working days' notice in writing at the least and any other General Meeting by ten working days' notice in writing at the least, (exclusive in either case of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served and of the day for which it is given) given in manner hereinafter mentioned to such Members as are under the provisions of these presents entitled to receive such notice from the Company and to the Auditors.

Annual/ Extraordinary General Meetings Notice

Provided that a General Meeting notwithstanding that it has been called by shorter notice than that specified above shall be deemed to have been duly called if it is agreed — $\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}$

Short Notice

- i. In the case of an Annual General Meeting, by all the Members entitled to attend and vote threat; and
- ii. In the case of any other meeting, by the members having the right to attend and vote at the meeting, being members together holding shares which carry not less than ninety-five per centum of the voting rights, on each issue to be considered and voted on at that meeting.
- (2) Notice of every General Meeting shall be given in any manner herein authorised to-

Serving of notices to every member.
Auditors etc.

- (a) every Member except those Members who (having no registered address within Sri Lanka) have not supplied to the Company an address within Sri Lanka for the giving of Notices to them;
- (b) every person upon whom the ownership of a share devolves by reason of his being a legal representative or a trustee in bankruptcy or insolvency of a Member where the Member but for his death or bankruptcy would be entitled to receive Notice of the meeting;
- (c) the auditors for the time being of the Company.

No other person shall be entitled to receive Notices of General Meetings. The accidental omission to give Notice to, or the non-receipt of Notice by any person entitled thereto shall not invalidate the proceedings at any General Meeting.

Omission or nonreceipt of notice

48. (1) Every notice calling a General Meeting shall specify the place and the day and hour of the Meeting, and there shall appear with reasonable prominence in every such Notice a statement that a Member entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy or proxies, to attend and vote instead of him and that a proxy need not be a Member of the Company.

Contents of notice

- (2) In the case of an Annual General Meeting of the Company the Notice shall also specify the meeting as such.
- (3) In the case of any General Meeting at which business other than routine business is to be transacted, the Notice shall specify the general nature of the business; and if any resolution is to be proposed as a Special Resolution, the Notice shall contain a statement to that effect.
- **49.** Routine business shall mean and include only business transacted at an Annual General Meeting of the following classes, that is to say-

Routine business

- (a) Considering the Balance Sheet, the Report of the Directors and Auditors, and other accounts and documents required to be annexed to the Balance Sheet;
- (b) Appointing Auditors and fixing the remuneration of the Auditors or determining the manner in which such remuneration is to be fixed;

- (c) Electing Directors in place of those retiring by rotation or otherwise;
- (d) Approving Donations
- (e) Declaring Dividends
- **50.** The Directors shall on the requisition of Members holding (at the date of deposit of the requisition) shares which carry not less than ten per centum of the votes which may be cast on an issue, and upon which all calls or other sums then due have been paid, forthwith proceed to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company to consider and vote on that issue in accordance with the provisions of Section 134 of the Act in relation thereto.

Requisition of an Extraordinary General Meeting

RESOLUTION IN LIEU OF MEETING

51. A resolution in writing signed by Shareholders who together hold not less than eighty-five per centum (85%) of the votes entitled to be cast on that resolution, shall be valid as if such resolution had been passed at a General Meeting of those Shareholders. Such a Resolution may be constituted of several documents in the like form inclusive of facsimile or electronically generated copies thereof signed by one or more of the Shareholders, which together shall be deemed to constitute one document for the purposes hereof.

Shareholders Resolution

PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

52. No business shall be transacted at any General Meetings unless a quorum is present when the meeting proceeds to business. Three Members present in person or by proxy or attorney or (in the case of a corporation) by an authorized representative, shall be a quorum for all purposes.

Quorum

53. (1) If within fifteen minutes from the time appointed for the Meeting, a quorum is not present, the Meeting if convened on the requisition of Members, shall be dissolved. In any other case, it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week, at the same time and place or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Directors may determine, and if at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes from the time appointed for holding the Meeting, the Members present (if more than one) shall be a quorum.

Adjournment if quorum not present

(2) A Resolution passed at an adjourned Meeting of the Company shall for all purposes be treated as having been passed on the date on which it was in fact passed, and shall not be deemed to have been passed on any earlier date.

54. The Chairman or Deputy Chairman (if any) of the Directors shall preside as Chairman at every General Meeting. If there be no such Chairman or Deputy Chairman, or if at any Meeting he be not present within ten minutes after the time appointed for holding the Meeting or be unwilling to act, the Directors present shall choose one of their number to be Chairman of the Meeting or, if no Director be present or if all the Directors present decline

Chairman

to take the Chair, the Members present shall choose one of their number present to be Chairman of the Meeting.

55. The Chairman of the Meeting may, with the consent of any Meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall, if so directed by the meeting) adjourn the Meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned Meeting except business which might lawfully have been transacted at the Meeting from which the adjournment took place. When a Meeting is adjourned for thirty days or more, Notice of the adjourned Meeting shall be given as in the case of an original Meeting. Save as aforesaid, it shall not be necessary to give any Notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned Meeting.

Adjournment

Notice of adjournment

56. At any General Meeting a resolution put to the vote of the Meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by-

Method of voting

- i. The Chairman of the meeting; or
- ii. Not less than ten persons present in person or by attorney or representative or by proxy and entitled to vote; or
- iii. A Member or Members present in person or by attorney or representative or by proxy and representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the Members having the right to vote at the Meeting.

A demand for a poll may be withdrawn Unless a poll be demanded (and the demand be not withdrawn) a declaration by the Chairman of the Meeting that a resolution has been carried or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the minute book, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded for or against such resolution.

57. If a poll is duly demanded (and the demand be not withdrawn), it shall be taken in such manner (including the use of ballot or voting papers or tickets) as the Chairman of the Meeting may direct, and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the Meeting at which the poll was demanded. The Chairman may (and if so requested shall) appoint scrutineers and may adjourn the Meeting to some place and time fixed by him for the purpose of declaring the result of the poll.

How a poll is to be taken

58. In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or poll, the Chairman of the Meeting at which the show of hands takes place or at which the poll is demanded shall be entitled to a second or casting vote.

Chairman's casting vote

59. A poll demanded on the election of a Chairman of the Meeting or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken either immediately or at such subsequent time (not being more than

Time for taking a poll

thirty days from the date of the Meeting) and place as the Chairman may direct. No notice need be given of a poll not taken immediately.

60. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of a Meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which the poll has been demanded.

Continuance of business after demand for poll

VOTES OF MEMBERS

61. Subject to any rights or restrictions for the time being attached to any class or classes of shares, on a show of hands every Member who being an individual is present in person or by proxy or attorney who is not a member or being a corporation is present by a representative or proxy or attorney who is not a member, shall have one vote. Subject as aforesaid upon a poll every member who is present in person or by proxy or by attorney or by representative shall be entitled to one vote for each share held by him.

Votes of Members

62. In the case of joint-holders of a share the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint-holders, and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the name stands in the Register of Members in respect of the joint holding.

Voting rights of joint-holders

63. A Member of unsound mind or in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction in lunacy, may vote whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by his committee, curator bongs or other person in the nature of a committee or curator bonisappointed by such court, provided that such evidence as the Directors may require of the authority of the person claiming to vote shall have been deposited at the Office not less than forty eight hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting or adjourned Meeting at which such person claims to vote, or in the case of a poll not less than forty-eight hours before the time appointed for the taking of the poll.

Voting rights of lunatic members

64. Unless otherwise determined by the Terms of Issue, no Member shall be entitled to vote at a General Meeting either personally or by proxy, or to exercise any privilege as a Member unless all calls or other sums presently payable by him in respect of shares have been paid.

No right to vote where a call is unpaid

65. No objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter except at the Meeting or adjourned Meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered, and every vote not disallowed at such Meeting shall be valid for all purposes. Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the Chairman of the Meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

Qualification of voter

66. On a poll votes may be given either personally or by proxy or by attorney or by representative and a person entitled to more than one vote need not use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses in the same way.

Votes on a poll

67. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing and —

Execution of proxies

- i. In the case of an individual shall be signed by the appointer or by his attorney; or in the case of a corporation shall be either under the common seal or signed by its attorney or by an officer authorized to do so on behalf of the corporation. The Company may, but shall not be bound to require evidence of the authority of any such attorney or officer.
- ii. A proxy need not be a Member of the Company
- **68.** A non-resident shareholder may appoint and revoke proxies by cable, facsimile or by any electronic media provided such appointment or revocation by cable, facsimile or electronic media under the shareholders' signature is received not less than fortyeight (48) hours before the commencement of the Meeting at which it is to be used.

Appointment or revocation of proxy by Non-Resident Shareholders

69. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged and the power of attorney (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of such power, shall if required be deposited for inspection at the Office or at the Registered Office of the Secretaries as the Directors may determine in each case not less than forty eight hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting or adjourned Meeting, or in the case of a poll before the time appointed for the taking of the poll at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote, and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.

Deposit of proxies

70. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or a form as near thereto as circumstances admit:

Form of proxy

ALPHA FIRE SERVICES LIMITED

I/We	
being a Member/Members of the appoint,	
or failing him,my/our proxy to represent me/us a show of hands or on a poll for the (Annual or Extraordinary, a Meeting of the Company to be	s, to speak and vote whether or me/us and on my/our behalf at as the case may be) Genera e held on the day of
Signed this day	of 20

General provisions relating to Proxies

- **71.** (1) Any form of proxy issued by the Company may in the case of a Meeting at which special business is to be transacted be so worded that a Member may direct his proxy to vote either for or against any of the resolutions to be proposed.
 - (2) The proxy shall be deemed to include the right to demand, or join in demanding a poll.
 - (3) An instrument appointing a proxy whether in the usual

common form or not, shall unless the contrary is stated thereon, be valid as well for any adjournment of the Meeting as for the Meeting to which it relates and need not be witnessed.

72. (1) A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid, notwithstanding the previous death or insanity of the principal or revocation of the proxy, or of the authority under which the proxy was executed, or the transfer of the share in respect of which the proxy is given, provided that no intimation in writing of such death, insanity, revocation or transfer shall have been received by the Company at the Office or at the Registered Office of the Secretaries before the commencement of the Meeting or adjourned Meeting (or in the case of a poll before the time appointed for the taking of the poll) at which the proxy is used.

Intervening death or insanity of principal not to revoke proxy

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, in the event of the Appointer of the Proxy (the Principal) attending the Meeting, the authority of the Proxy to attend, vote and/or in any way participate at the Meeting shall stand automatically cancelled and revoked.

Revocation of Proxy

CORPORATIONS ACTING BY REPRESENTATIVE

73. Any corporation which is a Member of the Company may by resolution of its directors or other governing body authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the Company or of any class of Members of the Company, and the person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of such corporation as the corporation could exercise if it were an individual Member of the Company.

Representatives

DIRECTORS

74. (1) The Directors shall not be less than five or more than fifteen in number. Subject to the provisions of the Act and these presents, the Company may from time to time, by Special Resolution, increase or reduce the number of Directors

Number of Directors

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, so long as the shares of the Company are quoted on the Colombo Stock Exchange, the Company shall in compliance with the Listing Rules of such Exchange ensure that —

Non-Executive Directors

- (a) one third or two (whichever is greater) of the total number of Directors on the Board of Directors of the Company at any time and from time to time are Non-Executive Directors; and
- (b) Of the one third or two as the case may be of such Non-Executive Directors as aforesaid, a further one third or two (whichever is greater) shall also be 'Independent Directors' of the Company.

The number of Non-Executive Directors required to be on the Board of Directors of the Company at any time and from time to time, shall be determined with reference to the number of

Directors on the Board of the Company at the immediately preceding Annual General Meeting of the Company.

For the purpose of this Article, the term 'Independent Director' shall be as defined and set out in the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange above referred.

75. The shareholding qualification for a Director may be fixed by the Company in General Meeting and unless and until so fixed, no qualification shall be required.

Qualification of Directors

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary the requisition for a place in the Board of Directors (other than in respect of the Directors at the time of adopting these Articles of Association and the Non- Executive Directors or Independent Director appointed in terms of the rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange / Securities and Exchange Commission) shall be a shareholder having 40% or more shares in the Company, in which event such shareholder shall automatically be entitled to have a Board seat

76. The remuneration of the Directors (excluding any remuneration payable under any other provision of these presents) shall be such sum as the Board shall determine as being fair and reasonable to the Company, and which remuneration shall be divided amongst the Directors in such manner as they shall from time to time determine and shall accrue de die in Diem.

Remuneration of Directors

77. The Board may repay to any Director all such reasonable expenses as he may incur in attending and returning from meetings of the Directors or of committees of the Directors or General Meetings or which he may otherwise incur in or about the business of the Company, or may pay to any Director such allowances as the Board thinks proper in respect of such expenses.

Expenses

78. (1) Any Director who serves on any committee or who otherwise performs services which in the opinion of the Directors are outside the scope of the ordinary duties of a Director, may be paid such extra remuneration by way of salary, percentage of profits or otherwise as the Directors may determine.

Extra remuneration

(2) A committee member other than a Director shall receive such remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission or participation in profits or otherwise or partly in one way and partly in another or otherwise) as the Board may determine.

79. A Director may be or become a director or other officer of, or otherwise interested in, any company promoted by the Company, or in which the Company may be interested as shareholder or otherwise, and no such Director shall be accountable for any remuneration or other benefits received by him as a director or officer of, or from his interest in such other company. The Directors may utilize the voting power on any shares or securities in any such company as aforesaid for the purpose of fixing the

Holding of concurrent office

remuneration of the directors of such company or any of them.

80. (1) The Board may from time to time appoint one or more of their body to be holder of any executive office, including the office of Chairman or Managing or Joint Managing Director on such terms and for such period as they may determine. A Director so appointed shall not whilst holding that office require any qualification or be subject to retirement by rotation or be taken into account in determining the rotation of retirement of Directors.

Appointment of Executive Directors

- (2) The appointment of any Director to the office of Chairman or Managing or Joint Managing Director or any other Executive Office shall be subject to termination (unless the Board shall otherwise decide) if he ceases from any cause to be a Director, but without prejudice to any claim he may have for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company.
- **81.** The Directors may entrust to and confer upon an Executive Director any of the powers exercisable by them upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as they may think fit, and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.

Powers of Executive Directors

82. An Executive Director shall receive such remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission or participation in profits, or partly in one way and partly in another) as the Directors may determine.

Remuneration of Executive Directors

APPOINTMENT, RETIREMENT, REMOVAL AND VACATION OF OFFICE OF DIRECTORS

83. The office of a Director shall be vacated in any of the following events, namely –

Vacation of office of Director

- (i) If he becomes prohibited by law from acting as a Director including
 - (a) If he is convicted of any offence under the statutes punishable by imprisonment; or
 - (b) If he is convicted of any offence involving dishonest or fraudulent acts whether in Sri Lanka or elsewhere;
- (ii) If not being an Executive Director holding office as such for a fixed term, he resigns by writing under his hand left at the Office;
- (iii) If he ceases to hold office in terms of Section 207 of the Act.
- (iv) If he becomes disqualified from being a Director in terms of Section 202 of the Act;
- (v) If he be absent from Meetings of the Directors for three months without leave, and the Directors resolve that his

office be vacated;

- (vi) If he be requested in writing by all or a majority of his co-Directors to resign;
- (vii)If he be removed from office by a Resolution of the Company under the provisions of the Act or these presents;
- (viii) If he is over seventy (70) years of age when being considered for appointment or otherwise reaches the age of seventy (70) whilst serving as a Director of the Company and has not been appointed to hold office or otherwise continue in office in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes in relation thereto.
- **84.** At each Annual General Meeting one-third of the Directors for the time being shall retire from office. Provided that a Director appointed to the office of Chairman or Managing or Joint Managing Director shall not, whilst holding that office be subject to retirement by rotation or to be taken into account in determining the Directors to retire in each year. A Director retiring at a meeting shall retain office until the close of the meeting including any adjournment thereof.

Selection of Directors to retire.

85. The Directors to retire in every year shall be that Director who, being subject to retirement by rotation, has been longest in office since their last election or appointment, but as between persons who became or were last re-elected Directors on the same day the Directors to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot. A retiring Director shall be eligible for re-election.

Retirement of Directors by rotation

86. The Company at the meeting at which a Director retires in manner aforesaid shall fill the vacated office by electing a person thereto, and in default the retiring Director shall be deemed to have been re-elected, unless —

Filling vacated office.

- i. At such meeting it is expressly resolved not to fill such vacated office, or a resolution for the re-election of such director is put to the meeting and lost; or
- ii. Such director has given notice in writing to the Company that he is unwilling to be re-elected; or
- iii. The default is due to the contravention of the next following Article.
- **87.** Except as otherwise provided by the Statutes, a motion for the appointment of two or more persons as Directors by a single resolution shall not be made at any General Meeting unless a resolution that it shall be so made has first been agreed to by the Meeting without any vote being given against it; and any resolution moved in contravention of this provision shall be void.

Appointment of Directors to be voted on individually

88. No person other than a Director retiring at the Meeting shall unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for appointment as a Director at any General Meeting, unless not less than fourteen nor more than twenty-eight days before the day appointed for the Meeting there shall have been left at the Office notice in writing signed by some Member duly qualified to attend and vote at the Meeting for which such notice is given, of his intention to propose such person for election, and also an intimation in writing signed by the person to be proposed, of his willingness to be elected.

Notice of intention to appoint Director

89. The Company may by Ordinary Resolution of which special notice has been given, remove any Director before the expiration of his period of office, notwithstanding any provision of these presents or of any agreement between the Company and such Director, but without prejudice to any claim he may have for damages for breach of any such agreement.

Removal of Directors

90. The Company may by Ordinary Resolution of which special notice has been given appoint another person in place of a Director removed from office under the last preceding Article, and any person so appointed hereunder shall be subject to retirement by rotation at the same time as if he had become a Director on the day on which the Director in whose place he is appointed was last elected a Director. In default of such appointment the vacancy so arising may be filled by the Directors as a casual vacancy.

Appointment to fill vacancy caused by removal from office

91. The Directors shall have power at any time and from time to time to appoint any person to be a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional Director, but so that the total number of Directors shall not at any time exceed the maximum number fixed by or in accordance with these presents. Any Director so appointed shall (unless he shall have been appointed to an office under Article 80 (1)) hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting and shall then be eligible for re-election.

The Directors power to fill casual vacancies or appoint additional Directors

PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

92. The Directors may meet together for the dispatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit. Questions arising at any meeting of the Directors shall be determined by a majority of votes. In case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote. A Director may and the Secretary on the requisition of a Director shall, at any time summon a meeting of the Directors. It shall not be necessary to give notice of a meeting of Directors to any Director for the time being absent from Sri Lanka.

Meetings of Directors

voting

Chairman to have a casting vote

Notice

93. The Board may concurrently participate either in person or by telephone, Meetings by audio radio, conference television or similar equivalent communication or any other form of audio or audio-visual instantaneous communication by which all persons participating in the conference are able to hear and be heard by all other participants for the dispatch of business and adjourn and otherwise regulate the conference as they think fit. All provisions relating to the convening of a Meeting of the Board, including the giving of Notice thereof and Agenda, the quorum for such

Meetings by audio or audio visual means conference meeting and the votes to be cast shall be the same as is applicable under these Presents in relation to such Meetings.

94. A resolution passed by such conference Meeting shall notwithstanding that the Directors are not present together at one place at the time of the conference, be deemed to have been passed at a conference of the Directors held on the day and at the time at which the conference was held and shall be deemed to have been held at the registered office of the Company unless otherwise agreed, and all Directors and other persons including the Secretary participating at that conference shall be deemed for all purposes to be present at the conference.

Resolutions of conference Meetings

95. The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the Directors may be fixed by the Directors, and unless so fixed at any other number shall be two. A meeting of the Directors for the time being at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all powers and discretions for the time being exercisable by the Directors. Provided however that in the event of a quorum not being present within fifteen minutes of the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same thy in the next week at the same time and place or to such other day and time and place as the Chairman of such Meeting shall determine and if at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes from the time appointed for holding the meeting the adjourned Meeting shall stand cancelled.

Quorum

TRANSACTIONS IN WHICH A DIRECTOR IS INTERESTED

96. (1) A Director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly interested in a contract or proposed contract with the Company shall forthwith declare the nature of his interest in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Directors interest

(2) The provisions of Sections 191 to 200 (inclusive) of the Act shall apply to the Company in so far as the same are not in conflict with the provisions herein or otherwise in these presents contained and shall govern the applicable procedures in relation to Transactions in which a Director of the Company is or is otherwise deemed 'Interested'.

97. A Director notwithstanding his interest may be counted in the quorum present at any meeting whereat he or any other Director is appointed to hold any office or place of profit under the Company or whereat the Directors resolve to exercise any of the rights of the Company (whether by the exercise of voting rights or otherwise) to appoint or concur in the appointment of a Director to hold any office or place of profit under any other company or whereat the Directors resolve to enter into or make any arrangements with him or on his behalf pursuant to these presents, or whereat the terms of any such appointment or arrangement as hereinbefore mentioned are considered, and he may vote on any such matter other than in respect of the appointment of or arrangements with himself or the fixing of the terms thereof.

Relaxation of restrictions on voting

98. Any Director may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the Company and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a Director; provided that nothing herein contained shall authorize a Director or his firm to act as auditors to the Company.

Directors remuneration for professional services

99. (1) The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancies, but if and so long as the number of Directors is reduced below the minimum number fixed by or in accordance with these presents the continuing Directors may act for the purposes of filling up vacancies or of summoning General Meetings of the Company, but not for any other purpose. If there be no Directors or Director able or willing to act, then any two Members may summon a General Meeting for the purpose of appointing Directors.

Proceedings in case of vacancies

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, where the number of Directors of the Company is reduced to one, such sole Director shall not resign from office until he has called a Meeting of Shareholders to receive notice of his resignation and to appoint one or more Directors to the Company. The terms of the notice of resignation given by such sole Director shall not take effect until the date of the Meeting of Shareholders herein referred to.

100. The Directors may appoint and remove a Chairman and Deputy Chairman of their meetings and may determine the period for which they are to hold office. If no Chairman or Deputy Chairman shall have been appointed, or if at any meeting the Chairman or Deputy Chairman be not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the Directors present may choose one of their number to be Chairman of the Meeting.

Appointment of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

101.A resolution in writing signed by all the Directors for the time being in Sri Lanka (provided such number of Directors in Sri Lanka shall constitute a valid quorum of Directors as hereinbefore set out) shall be as effective as a resolution passed at a meeting of the Directors duly convened and held, and may consist of several documents in the like form, each signed by one or more of the Directors. Provided always that a resolution faxed or emailed under their respective signature/s shall be deemed to have been signed by them for all purposes hereof and shall be as effective as a resolution duly voted on at a meeting of the Board.

Resolutions in writing

102.Other than the powers exercisable exclusively by the Directors as set out in the Sixth Schedule of the Act, the Directors may delegate any of their powers to committees consisting of such member or members of their body and either with or without such other persons, as they think fit. Any committee so formed shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations that may be imposed on them by the Directors.

Power to appoint committees

103. The meetings and proceedings of any such committee shall be governed by the provisions of these presents regulating the meetings and proceedings of Directors, so far as the same are applicable and are not superseded by any provision in the Act or regulations made by the Directors under the last preceding Article.

Proceedings at committee meetings

104.All acts done by any meeting of Directors, or of a committee of Directors, or by any person acting as a Director, shall as regards all persons dealing in good faith with the Company, notwithstanding that there was some defect in the appointment of any such Director or person acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified or had vacated office, or were not entitled to vote, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified and had continued to be a Director or member of the Committee and had been entitled to vote.

Validity of act of Directors in spite of some formal defect

ALTERNATE DIRECTORS

- **105.**(1) Any Director may at any time by notice in writing left at the Office appoint any person approved by the Board to be an Alternate Director of the Company to act in his place and the following provisions of this Article shall apply to any person so appointed.
 - (2) A person appointed to be an Alternate Director shall not in respect of such appointment be entitled to receive any remuneration from the Company nor be required to hold any share qualification but the Directors may repay the Alternate Director such reasonable expenses as he may incur in attending and returning from meetings of the Directors which he is entitled to attend or which he may otherwise properly incur in or about the business of the Company or may pay such allowances as they may think proper in respect of these expenses.
 - (3) An Alternate Director shall (on his giving an address for such notices to be served upon him) be entitled to receive notices of all meetings of the Directors and to attend and vote as Director at any such meeting at which the Director appointing him is not personally present and generally at such meeting to perform all the functions of his appointer as a Director in the absence of such appointer.
 - (4) An Alternate Director may be appointed for a specified period or until the happening of a specified event but he shall ipso facto cease to be an Alternate Director in any of the following events, that is to say: -
 - (a) upon the Appointor's resumption of duties as a Director;
 - (b) if his Appointor ceases for any reason to be a Director: Provided that if any Director retires by rotation but is reelected at the meeting at which such retirement took effect, any appointment made by him pursuant to this Article which was in force immediately prior to his retirement shall continue to operate after his re-election as if he had not so retired;
 - (c) if the Alternate Director shall have a receiving order made against him or compounds with his creditors or is adjudicated an insolvent;
 - (d) if the Alternate Director be lunatic or becomes of unsound mind;

Provisions for appointing and removing Alternate Directors

- (e) if the appointment of the Alternate Director is revoked by notice in writing left at the office by his Appointor;
- (f) if he becomes subject to any of the provisions of Article 83 of these presents which, if he were a Director of the Company, would render his office vacated.
- (g) if a majority of the Directors resolve that the appointment of the Alternate Director be terminated: Provided that such termination shall not take effect until the expiration of thirty days after the date of the resolution of the Directors;
- (5) A Director shall not vote on the question of the approval of an Alternate Director to act for him or on the question of the termination of the appointment of such an Alternate Director under the last foregoing sub-clause of this Article, and if he do so his vote shall not be counted; nor for the purpose of any resolution for either of these purposes shall he be counted in the quorum present at the meeting.

BORROWING POWERS

106. The Directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow money, and may mortgage or charge its undertaking, property and uncalled capital, and issue debentures, debenture — stock, convertible loan stock and other securities, whether outright or as collateral security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party; Provided that the aggregate amount at any one time outstanding of moneys borrowed by the Company exclusive of-

Power to borrow money and give security

- Any temporary borrowing secured or unsecured from bankers or others in the ordinary course of business to meet temporary requirements;
- Moneys borrowed with or without security for the purpose of conversion, redemption, renewal or payment off of previously existing debentures, debenture stock or other loan capital;

Shall not without the previous sanction of a Special Resolution of the Company exceed half the value of the assets of the Company as at the date of the last available audited Balance Sheet of the Company

But nevertheless no person dealing with the Company shall be concerned to see or inquire whether these limits are observed, and no debt incurred or security given in excess of such limit shall be invalid or ineffectual unless the lender or the recipient of the security had, at the time when the debt was incurred or security given, express notice that the limit hereby imposed had been or would thereby be exceeded.

107.(i) Any bonds, debentures, debenture-stock, convertible loan stock or other securities issued or to be issued by the Company shall be under the control of the Board, who may issue them upon such terms and conditions and in such manner and for such consideration as they shall consider to be for the benefit of the Company. Bonds debentures etc to be subject to control of the Board

(ii) Bonds, debentures, debenture-stock, convertible loan stock or other securities may be made assignable free from any equities between the Company and the person to whom the same may be issued.

Securities may be assignable

(iii) Any bonds, debentures, debenture-stock, convertible loan stock or other securities may be issued at a discount, premium or otherwise and with any special privileges as to redemption, surrender, drawings, allotment of shares, attending and voting at general meetings of the Company, appointment of directors and otherwise.

free from equities

(iv) All certificates for debentures, debenture-stock, loan stock or other securities issued in terms of these presents shall be issued under the seal of the Company. Issue at discount etc. or with special privileges

GENERAL POWERS OF DIRECTORS

108. The business of the Company shall be managed by the Directors either by themselves or through a Managing Director, or with the assistance of an Agent or Agents, Manager or Managers and Secretary or Secretaries of the Company to be appointed by a Resolution of the Directors, for such a period and upon such terms as they shall think fit with power to determine such appointment as provided by the terms of such appointment or in default of such provision by a like Resolution of the Directors. The Directors shall have power to make and may make such rules and regulations for the management of the business and property of the Company as they shall from time to time think proper and shall carry on the business of the Company in such manner as they may think most expedient.

Directors to Manage Business

109. The Directors may exercise all such powers of the Company as are not by the Act or by these presents required to be exercised by the Company in General Meeting, subject nevertheless to any regulations of these presents, to the provisions of the Act, and to such regulations, being not inconsistent with the aforesaid regulations or provisions, as may be prescribed by Ordinary Resolution of the Company. No regulations so made by the Company shall however invalidate any prior act of the Directors which would have been valid if such regulation had not been made: Provided however that the Directors shall not without the authority of a Special Resolution of the Company-

General powers of Directors

(a) Arrange terms for the amalgamation (other than a 'Short form of amalgamation' requiring a resolution of the Board as referred to in Section 242 of the Act) or otherwise implement the amalgamation of the Company with any other company or individual;

- (b) Reduce the Company's Stated Capital;
- (c) Resolve that the Company Be Wound Up in terms of Section 319 of the Act;
- (d) Change the Name or Status of the Company;
- (e) Enter into or otherwise carry out any 'Major Transaction' as defined in Section 185(2) of the Act.
- (f) Sell or dispose of the business undertaking of the Company. (but a Special Resolution shall not be required for the exercise by the Board of its power under Article 114)
- 110.(1) The Directors may establish and make contributions or concur or join with other companies (being subsidiary companies of the Company or companies with which it is associated in business) in establishing and making contributions out of the Company's moneys to any provident funds, schemes or funds for providing pensions, sickness or compassionate allowances, life assurance or other benefits for employees (which expression as used in this and the following sub-paragraph shall include any Director) and exemployees of the Company and their widows and dependents or any class or classes of such persons.

Provident and pension funds

- (2) The Directors may, subject to such terms and conditions if any, pay, enter into agreements to pay or make grants of revocable or irrevocable, pensions or other benefits to employees and exemployees and their widows and dependents or to any of such persons including pensions or benefits additional to those (if any) to which such employees or ex-employees or their dependents are or may become entitled under any such scheme or fund as mentioned in the last preceding sub-paragraph. Any such pension or benefit may, as the Directors consider desirable, be granted to an employee either before or in anticipation of or upon or at any time after his actual retirement.
- 111. The Directors shall be authorised to open and operate upon local and/or foreign currency banking accounts on such terms and conditions as may be thought fit and generally to sign, draw upon, accept, endorse or otherwise execute all cheques, promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange and/or other negotiable instruments as the case maybe, in such manner as the Directors shall from time to time by resolution determine.

Operate Bank Accounts etc.

112. The Directors shall be authorized to guarantee, and indemnify or otherwise become liable in any manner whatsoever for and on behalf of the Company, in respect of the payment of money or for the performance of any obligation by any other company including but not limited to any associate company or any subsidiary of this company, corporation, firm or person and to give any kind of security for the payment of such money or the performance of any such obligation by such other company (including but not limited to any associate company or any subsidiary company of this Company), corporation, firm or person and generally to transact all kinds of guarantee business counter - guarantee business and

Guarantee and Indemnity

indemnity business and for the aforesaid purposes to enter into any contract whatsoever including any contract of surety ship either alone or with co-sureties and in any such contract or contracts of surety ship to waive all or any of the rights privileges or benefits to which sureties are by law entitled to and to secure if necessary any obligation or obligations undertaken by the company as guarantor or co-guarantor or indemnitor or otherwise howsoever by mortgage, charge, assignment or otherwise of the whole or any part of the undertaking property movable or immovable assets or revenue of the Company present or future including its uncalled capital.

113.The Directors shall be authorized to import, purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire plant, machinery, equipment and vehicles as the Directors shall from time to time by resolution determine.

Resolution authorizing Directors to import machinery etc.

114. The Directors may arrange that any branch of the business carried on by the Company or any other business in which the Company may be interested shall be carried on by or through one or more subsidiary companies, and they may on behalf of the Company make such arrangements as they think advisable for taking the profits or bearing the losses of any branch or business so carried on and they may appoint, remove and re-appoint any persons (whether members of their own body or not) to act as directors, executive directors or managers or other officers of any such company or any other company in which the Company may be interested, and may determine the remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission on profits or otherwise) of any person so appointed.

Organization of subsidiary companies

115. The Directors may establish any Local Boards or Agencies for managing any of the affairs of the Company, either in Sri Lanka or elsewhere, and may appoint on such terms and conditions any persons to be members of such Local Boards, or any Managers or Agents, and may fix their remuneration, and may subject to applicable provisions of the Act if any and on such terms and conditions, delegate to any Local Board, Manager or Agent any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in the Directors, with power to sub-delegate and may authorise the members of any Local Boards, or any of them to fill any vacancies therein, and to act notwithstanding vacancies, and the Directors may remove any person so appointed and may annul or vary any such delegation, but no person dealing in good faith and without notice of any such removal, annulment or variation shall be affected thereby.

Power to establish Local Boards etc.

116. The Directors may from time to time and at any time by power of attorney 116. under seal appoint any company, firm or person or any fluctuating body of persons, whether nominated directly or indirectly by the Directors, to be the Attorney or Attorneys of the Company for such purposes and with such powers, authorities and discretions (not exceeding those vested in or exercisable by the Directors under these presents) and for such period and subject to such conditions as they may think fit, and such power of attorney may contain such provisions for the protection and convenience of persons dealing with any such Attorney or Attorneys as the

Power to appoint attorneys

Directors may think fit, and may also authorise any such Attorney or Attorneys to sub-delegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in him.

117. The Company may have an official seal for use abroad, and such seal shall be used in the manner and for the purposes authorized and approved by the Directors.

Power to have a seal for use abroad

118. The Company or the Directors on behalf of the Company, may in the exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred by the Act cause to be kept a branch register or register of members and the Directors may (subject to the provisions of the Act) make and vary such regulations as they may think fit respecting the keeping of any such register.

Power to keep a branch register

MINUTES

119.The Directors shall cause minutes to be made in books provided for the purpose: -

Minutes to be kept

- a. of all the appointments of officers made by the Directors;
- b. of the names of the Directors present at each meeting of the Directors and of any Committee of the Directors;
- of all resolutions and proceedings at all Meetings of the Company, and of the Directors, and of Committees of Directors;

And every Director present at any meeting of Directors or Committee of Directors shall sign his name in a book to be kept for that purpose.

SECRETARY

120. (1) The Directors shall appoint and employ on such terms and conditions and at such remuneration as may be agreed upon a person, firm or company qualified in accordance with the terms of the Act to be the Company Secretary. The Directors may also (where they appoint an individual as the Secretary) appoint and employ any other person as Assistant Company Secretary.

Secretary

- (2) The duties of the Secretary shall, unless otherwise determined by the Board include:
 - Keeping all records and registers required by the Statutes to be kept by the Company;
 - Recording and maintaining the minutes required by the preceding Article or otherwise as required by these presents or as prescribed by the Act;
 - c) Performing any other functions which by these presents are to be performed by the Secretary and generally to execute all other duties which may from time to time be assigned by the Directors to the Secretary.

SEAL

121.The Directors shall provide for the safe custody of the seal, which shall only be used by the authority of the Directors or of a Committee of the Directors authorised by the Directors in that behalf. The Seal of the Company shall not be affixed to any deed, certificate for shares, stock, debenture-stock or other form of security(other than Letters of Allotment or Scrip Certificates) or other instrument except in the presence of two or more of the Directors or of one Director and / or Secretary of the Company who shall attest the sealing thereof; such attestation on the part of the Secretary in the event of a firm being the Secretaries being signified by a partner or duly authorised agent of the said firm signing the firm name or for and on behalf of the said firm as Secretaries and in the event of a company being the Secretary being signified by a Director or the Secretary of such company signing for and on behalf of such company as Secretary. The sealing shall not be attested by one person in the dual capacity of Director and Secretary. Any document sealed in accordance with the provisions of this Article shall be presumed to have been duly executed by the Company.

Seal

AUTHENTICATION OF DOCUMENTS

122. Any Director or the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary (if any) or any person appointed by the Directors for the purpose shall have the power to authenticate any documents affecting the constitution of the Company (including the Articles of Association) and any resolutions passed by the Company or the Directors, and any books, records, documents and accounts relating to the business of the Company, and to certify copies thereof or extracts therefrom as true copies or extracts; and where any books, records , documents or accounts are elsewhere than at the Office the local manager or the officer of the Company having the custody thereof shall be deemed to be a person appointed by the Directors as aforesaid.

Power to authenticated documents

DIVIDENDS

123.(1) Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Directors may recommend and declare a Distribution by way of Dividend, whether interim or final and whether by way of cash or by the distribution of specific assets, provided always however that the same is from and out of the profits of the Company as determined by reference to acceptable accounting practices.

Recommendation of dividends

(2) The Directors shall not authorize or otherwise declare a dividend in respect of some shares in a class and not others of that class; or of a greater amount in respect of some shares in a class and no other shares in that class, except where –

Dividend not to be discriminatory

- a) the amount of the dividend is reduced in proportion to any liability attached to the shares under the Company's Articles; or
- b) a shareholder has agreed in writing to receive no dividend or a lesser dividend than would otherwise be payable.

124. Subject to any applicable accounting regulations and/or provisions in the Act, any income derived from investments of the Company or any part thereof may be treated as profits and dealt with and distributed by way of dividend without obligation to make provision for any depreciation in the capital value of the investments.

Income from investments

125. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Directors may pay a dividend or otherwise make a distribution in whole or in part by the distribution of specific assets and in particular of paid-up shares or debentures of the Company or of any other company or in any one or more of such ways; Where any difficulty arises in regard to such distribution, the Directors may settle the same as they think expedient and in particular may issue fractional certificates and fix the value for the distribution of such specific assets or any part thereof and may determine that a cash payment shall be made to any Members upon the footing of the value so fixed in order to adjust the rights of all parties and may vest any such specific assets in trustees as may seem expedient to the Directors.

Apportionment of dividends

126. Subject to the rights of persons if any, entitled to shares with special rights or such other special terms with regard to dividend, all dividends shall be declared and paid equally on all fully paid shares in respect whereof the dividend is paid (without reference to the consideration paid per share) and in respect of shares subject to calls, the entitlement to the dividend shall be prorated to the percentage value of the amount in fact paid on the share (with reference to the total amount payable on the share) at the time of the declaration of such dividend. For purposes of this Article only, no amount paid on a share in advance of calls shall be treated as paid on the share). If any share is issued on terms providing that it shall rank for dividend accordingly.

Special rights and terms with regard to dividend

127.If and so far as in the opinion of the Directors the profits of the Company justify such payments, the Directors may pay fixed cumulative preferential dividends on any class of share carrying a fixed cumulative preferential dividend expressed to be payable on fixed dates on the half-yearly or other dates if any, prescribed for the payment thereof by these presents or by the terms of issue of the shares, and subject thereto may also from time to time pay to the holders of any other class of shares interim dividends thereon of such amounts and on such dates they think fit.

Payment of interim dividends

128.No dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share shall bear interest as against the Company.

Dividends not to bear interest

129.The Directors may deduct from any dividend or other moneys payable to any Member on or in respect of a share all sums of money (if any) presently due and owing from him to the Company on account of calls or otherwise.

Deduction of debts due to Company

130. The Directors may retain any dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share on which the Company has a lien, and may apply the same in or towards satisfaction of the debts, liabilities or engagements in respect of which the lien exists.

Retention of dividends on a lien

131.The Directors may retain the dividends payable upon shares in respect of which any person is under the provisions as to the Transmission of Shares hereinbefore contained entitled to become a Member, or which any person under those provisions is entitled to transfer, until such person shall become a Member in respect of such shares or shall duly transfer the same.

Retention of dividends on transmission of shares

132. The payment by the Directors of any unclaimed dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share into a separate account shall not constitute the Company a trustee in respect thereof and any dividend unclaimed after a period of six years from the date of declaration of such dividend shall then revert to the Company. All unclaimed dividends may be invested or otherwise made use of by the Directors for the benefit of the Company until claimed.

Unclaimed dividends

133. Any dividend or other moneys payable in cash on or in respect of a share may be paid by cheque or warrant sent through the post to the registered address of the member or person entitled thereto or as otherwise directed in writing by such member or person, or if several persons are registered as joint-holders of the share or are entitled thereto in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of the holder, to any of such persons or to such person at such address as such person/s may by writing direct. Every such cheque or warrant shall be made payable to the order of the person to whom it is sent or to such person as the holder or joint-holders or person or persons entitled to the share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of the holder and payment of the cheque or warrant if purporting to be endorsed or signed by way of receipt shall be a good discharge to the Company. Every such cheque or warrant shall be sent at the risk of the person entitled to the money represented thereby.

Dividends payable by cheque

134.If several persons are registered as joint- holders of any share, or are entitled jointly to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of the holder, any one of them may give effectual receipts for any dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of the share.

Dividends due to ioint-holders

RESERVES

135. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Directors may, before recommending any dividend, set aside, out of the profits of the Company, such sums as they think proper as a reserve fund to meet contingencies or for equalizing dividends, or for special dividends, or for repairing, improving, and maintaining any of the property of the Company, and for such other purposes as the Directors shall in their discretion think conducive to the interests of the Company including investing any part of the sums so set aside upon such investments (other than in shares of the Company) as they may think fit, and from time to time deal with and vary such investments and dispose of all or any part thereof for the benefit of the Company. The Directors may divide the reserve fund into such special Funds as they think fit and may employ the reserve fund or any part thereof in the business of the Company and that without being bound to keep the same separate from the other assets. The Directors may also without placing the same to reserve carry forward any profits which they may think not prudent to divide.

Power to carry profit to Reserve

Application of reserve

Division of reserve into special funds

Power to carry forward profits

CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS AND RESERVES

136.(1) The Directors may in the exercise of their powers and having regard to the Company's Accounts and other financial information resolve that it is desirable to capitalise all or any part of the amount for the time being standing to the credit of any of the Company's Reserve Accounts or to the credit of the profit and loss account or otherwise available for distribution and accordingly that such sum be set free for distribution amongst the members who would have been entitled thereto if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportions on condition that the same be not paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up any amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares held by such members respectively or for distributing, credited as fully paid, shares of a value determined by the Directors based on accepted accounting principles, or debentures or securities of the Company to and amongst such members in the proportion aforesaid or partly in the one way and partly in the other and the Directors shall give effect to such resolution.

Power to capitalize profits

(2)Pursuant to the foregoing, the Directors shall make all the appropriations and applications of the undivided profits to be capitalised thereby, and all allotments and issues of fully paid shares, debentures or securities, as the case may be, and generally shall do all acts and things required to give effect thereto including the issue of fractional certificates or otherwise the sale of all or a part of such fractions as the case may be. The Directors shall also have the power to authorise any person to enter on behalf of all the members interested into an agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid up of any shares to which they may be entitled to upon such capitalisation or (as the case may require) for the payment up by the Company on their behalf, by the application thereto of their respective proportions of the amount resolved to be capitalized or any part of the amounts remaining unpaid on their existing shares or for appointing any person to sign transfers of shares to avoid fractional certificates. Any agreement made under such authority shall be effective and binding on all such members.

Capitalization of profits

REGISTERS

- **137.** The Company shall keep the following Registers:
 - a) The Register of Members and Debenture holders
 - b) The Register of Directors and Secretaries
 - c) The Register of Share Transfers
 - d) The Register of Mortgages and Charges
 - e) The Interests Register

Keeping of registers etc.

ACCOUNTS

138. The Directors shall cause to be kept such books of accounts as are necessary to comply with the provisions of the statutes. The Directors shall ensure that such records:

Directors to keep proper Accounts

- a) correctly record and explain the Company's transactions;
- b) enable the financial position of the Company to be determined at any time with reasonable accuracy;
- c) enable the Directors to prepare financial statements in accordance with the Act:
- d) enable the Financial Statements of the Company to be readily and properly audited.
- **139.** The books of accounts shall be kept at the Office, or at such other place in Sri Lanka as the Directors think fit or with the prior approval of the Registrar General of Companies at such place outside Sri Lanka. The accounting records and Financial Statements of the Company shall be open to the inspection of any of the Directors to the extent and in the manner permitted under Section 118 of the Act and to any Member to the extent and in the manner permitted under Section 119 of the Act.

Inspection of books

140.The Directors shall in accordance with the provisions of the Ad cause to be prepared within 6 months of the Balance Sheet date of the Company (or such other extended time as may be determined by the Registrar General of Companies under Section 150 of the Act), Financial Statements, Group Accounts if any and any Reports that may be necessary in compliance with the provisions of the Act including an Annual Report (signed in the manner prescribed) on the affairs of the Company during the accounting period ending on such Balance Sheet date.

Preparation of accounts

141.A printed copy of every balance sheet and profit and loss account which is to be laid before a General Meeting of the Company (including every document required by law to be annexed thereto) together with a copy of every report of the Auditors relating thereto and of the Directors' report, shall not less than fifteen working days before the date of the meeting be sent to every Member of, and every holder of debentures of the Company and to every other person who is entitled to receive notices from the Company under the provisions of the Act or of these presents (provided that this article shall not require a copy of these documents to be sent to any person of whose address in Sri Lanka the Company is not aware or to more than one of the joint-holders, but any Member to whom a copy of these documents has not been sent, shall be entitled to receive a copy free of charge on application at the Office).

copies of accounts

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary and in accordance with Section 167 of the Act, the Company may, in the first instance, send every Shareholder the Annual Report together with the Financial Statements in the summarised form as may be prescribed, in consultation with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka. The Company shall inform each Shareholder that he is entitled to receive, if he so requires, the full Financial Statement within a stipulated period of time.

AUDIT

142.At each Annual General Meeting the retiring Auditor shall, without any resolution being passed, be deemed to have been reappointed until the conclusion of the next ensuing Annual General Meeting, unless-

Appointment of Auditor

- i. he is not qualified for the re-appointment, or
- ii. a resolution has been passed at that meeting in accordance with the Act appointing some other person or firm instead of him or providing expressly that he shall not be so appointed or,
- iii. he has given to the Company notice in writing of his unwillingness to be re-appointed. In any such case the Company shall at such Meeting appoint some other person in lieu.
- **143.**(1) The Directors shall have the power to fill a causal vacancy in the office of an Auditor by appointing some person or firm to hold such office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting, but while any such casual vacancy continues the surviving or continuing Auditor (if any) may act.

casual vacancies

- (2) If at an Annual General Meeting no Auditor is appointed or reappointed and no appointment is made pursuant to the preceding subsection, and a casual vacancy in the office of auditor is not filled within one month of the occurring of such vacancy, the Registrar General of Companies may appoint an Auditor.
- **144.**The remuneration of the Auditor shall be fixed, if the Auditor is appointed at a General Meeting, then by the meeting or in such manner as is determined at the meeting; or if the Auditor is appointed by the Directors, then as determined by the Directors.

Remuneration of Auditor

145. Subject to the provisions of the Act, all acts done by any person acting as an Auditor shall, as regards all persons dealing in good faith with the Company, be valid, notwithstanding that there was some defect in his appointment, or that he was at the time of his appointment not qualified for appointment.

Validity of acts of Auditor in spite of some formal defect **146.**The Auditors shat be entitled to attend any General Meeting and to receive all notices of and other communications relating to any General Meeting which any member is entitled to receive, and to be heard at any General Meeting on any part of the business of the meeting which concerns him as Auditor.

Auditors right to receive notice of and attend and speak at General Meetings

NOTICES

147. Any member whose registered address is not within Sri Lanka, may name an address, within Sri Lanka which for the purpose of notice, shall be considered as his registered address.

Member to furnish an address in Sri Lanka

148.Any notice or document (including a share certificate) may be served by the Company on any Member either personally or by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter addressed to such member at his registered address, or (if he has no registered address within Sri Lanka) to the address, if any, within Sri Lanka supplied by him to the Company as his address for the service of notices. Where a notice or other document is served by post, service shall be deemed to be effective at the expiration of 24 hours after the letter containing the same is posted, and in proving such service it shall be sufficient to prove that such letter was properly addressed, stamped and posted.

Service of Notices

149.In respect of joint holdings, all notices shall be given to that one of the joint-holders whose name stands first in the Register of members, and notice so given shall be sufficient notice to all the joint-holders.

Service of notices in respect of joint holding

150.A person entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Member, upon supplying to the Company such evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to show his title to the share, and upon supplying also an address within Sri Lanka for the service of notices, shall be entitled to have served upon him at such address any notice or document to which the Member but for his death or bankruptcy would be entitled, and such service shall for all purposes be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or document on all persons interested (whether jointly with or as claiming through or under him) in the share. Save as aforesaid any notice or document delivered or sent by post to or left at the registered address of any Member in pursuance of these presents shall notwithstanding that such member be then dead or bankrupt, and whether or not the Company shall have had notice of his death or bankruptcy, be deemed to have been duly served in respect of any share registered in the name of such member as sole or joint-holder.

Service of notices after death or bankruptcy of member

151.If a Member has no registered address in Sri Lanka, and has not supplied to the Company an address outside Sri Lanka for the giving of notices to him, a notice posted up in the registered office of the Company shall be deemed to be duly given to him at the expiration of 24 hours from the time when it is so posted up.

Notice on members having no registered address **152.** Any notice required to be given by the Company to a Member or any of them and not expressly provided for by these Articles, shall be sufficiently given if given by advertisement.

Notice by advertisement

153.Where notice is given by an advertisement such advertisement shall be published in Sinhala, Tamil and English National Daily Newspapers.

Mode of giving Notice by Advertisement

154.Notwithstanding anything in these Articles contained the Directors may at the cost and expense of the Company, cause any notice or circular to members to be sent by air mail to the address outside Sri Lanka of whose address the Company or its Secretaries and/or Agents and Secretaries shall be aware. A notice so sent by airmail shall be deemed to have been served within 24 hours after the posting of the same.

Notice may be sent to an address outside Sri Lanka

ADMINISTRATORS

155.The Directors may in accordance with the provisions of the Act appoint an Administrator of the Company where the Directors consider that the Company is or is likely to become unable to pay its debts as they fall due and the appointment of such Administrator will likely achieve one or more of the purposes as set out in Section 401(2) of the Act.

Appointment of an Administrator

WINDING UP

156.(1) The Company may be Wound Up —

Winding up

- a) by the Court
- b) Voluntarily; or
- c) Subject to the supervision of the Court;

And the provisions of the Act shall apply to the Winding Up of the Company.

(2) Subject to any applicable provisions in the Terms of Issue of Shares and the Act, any surplus assets of the Company shall be distributed amongst the Members in proportion to the number of shares held by each such member, after all Creditors of the Company have been paid, all costs, charges and expenses of Winding Up including the remuneration of the Liquidators have been met and all preferred and other debts satisfied.

INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY

157.(1) The Company may indemnify a Director, Secretary or Secretaries or employee of the Company or a related company, for any costs incurred by him in any proceeding —

Power to indemnify

- a) that relates to liability for any act or omission in his capacity as a Director, Secretary or Secretaries or employee; and
- b) in which judgement is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or which is discontinued or in which he is

granted relief under Section 526 of the Act.

- (2) The Company may also indemnify a Director, Secretary or Secretaries, or employee of the Company or a related Company in respect of
 - a) liability to any person other than the Company or a related company for any act or omission in his capacity as a Director, Secretary or Secretaries, or employee; or
 - costs incurred by that Director, Secretary or Secretaries or employee in defending or settling any claim or proceeding relating to any such liability, not being a criminal liability or in the case of a Director, liability in respect of a breach of the duty specified in Section 187 of the Act.
- (3) The Company may with the prior approval of the Directors effect insurance for any one or more of the Directors, Secretary or Secretaries, or an employee or employees of the Company or related company in respect of-

Power to effect insurance

- a) liability not being criminal liability, for any act or omission in his capacity as a Director, Secretary or Secretaries or employee;
- costs incurred by that Director, Secretary or Secretaries, or employee in defending or settling any claim or proceeding relating to any such liability; or
- c) Costs incurred by that Director, Secretary or Secretaries or employee in defending any criminal proceedings in which he is acquitted.

DECLARATION OF SECRECY

158.Every Director, manager, auditor, trustee, member of a committee, officer, servant, agent, accountant or other person employed in the business of the Company shall if so required by the Board before entering upon his duties, sign a declaration pledging himself to observe strict secrecy respecting all transactions of the Company with its customers and the state of accounts with individuals and in matters relating thereto and shall by such declaration pledge himself not to reveal any of the matters which may come to his knowledge in the discharge of his duties except when required so to do by the Directors or by any Meeting of the Shareholders or by a court of law and except so far as may be necessary in order to comply with any of the provisions in these Presents mentioned or with the provisions of the Act.

Declaration of secrecy