



## **Transitional Regulations following General Assembly 2008**

With the adoption of the new Constitution, the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the UEM has set the course for a sustainable structure. Since the bodies currently in office do not yet correspond with the new structure of the UEM, in order to preserve the continuity of the much valued work and to ensure a smooth transition to the new arrangements, transitional regulations are stipulated as follows:

### **I. General Assembly**

#### **§ 1**

(1) In accordance with the Constitution (revised version, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2005), the designated delegates of the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the United Evangelical Mission from 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> June 2008 on the Island of Borkum, irrespective of the amended Constitution coming into effect for the United Evangelical Mission, retain their active and passive voting rights for the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2008-2012).

(2) From the group of individuals already on the nomination lists for the General Assembly 2008, the UEM members may reconstitute their delegation for the period of the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2008 – 2012).

(3) A decision on the Budget 2010 – at variance with § 7 lit g) of the new constitution – is delegated to Council.

### **II. Regional Assemblies**

#### **§ 2**

(1) The delegates of the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 2008, in accordance with § 1 (2) of these transitional regulations, belong to their respective Regional Assemblies for the legislative period 2008 – 2012.

(2) In accordance with the Constitution (revised version, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2005) § 5 sec. 1 (b), the delegates (two women, two youths) selected by the Regional Assemblies 2006/2007, are members of their respective Regional Assemblies for the legislative period 2008 – 2012.

(3) The General Secretary requests the members of the respective Region to designate the additional delegates for the Regional Assembly 2009, in accordance with § 14 sec. 1 of the Constitution.

### **III. German Regional Assembly (GRA)**

#### **§ 3**

The additional delegates, to be designated by the previous GRA, are, at the proposal of the Nominations Committee, designated by the Regional Board for the legislative period 2009 – 2012.

#### **§ 4**

(1) The Regional Board, currently in office in accordance with the old legal provisions, is to meet with the newly elected Council members of the German Region after the conclusion of the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. At this meeting, it shall handover the official functions to the Council members elected for the German Region and, together with these said members, shall designate, at the proposal of the Nominations Committee, the additional delegates to the GRA in accordance with § 3 of these transitional regulations.

(2) Until the GRA 2009, the Council members of the German Region elected at the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, constitute the Regional Board of the GRA. The chair is held by the Vice-Moderator.

(3) At the proposal of the Nominations Committee, the GRA 2009 elects the further members of the Regional Board in accordance with § 14 Sec. 1 of the Constitution of the UEM and § 4 of the Standing Orders of the GRA. It elects the chairperson and his/her deputy.

#### **§ 5**

The Standing Committees of the GRA shall meet in their present structure until the GRA 2009.

#### **§ 6**

In 2009, the GRA will start its work in accordance with the structural concept paper for the GRA.

### **IV. Regional Assemblies Africa and Asia**

#### **§ 7**

The members of the Council and their substitutes from the Regions will function as interim Executive Board, convened by the Vice-Moderator from the respective Region, until the Regional Boards will be elected at the Regional Assemblies 2009.

The additional delegates in accordance with § 14 (1) Constitution of UEM, to be designated by the members, are to be named by the members before the next Regional Assembly following the adoption of the transitional regulations.

### **V. Standing Orders of the General Assembly and Council**

As most of the items of the former Standing Orders are taken up in the UEM Constitution, the next Council shall draw up the Standing Orders of the General Assembly as well as of the Council and submit them to the next General Assembly. Until the next General Assembly has adopted these Standing Orders the General Assembly as well as the Council will work on the basis of the former Standing Orders except where they contradict the UEM Constitution.