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Dear Members of the Federation,

BALLOT ON THE REVISION OF OUR STATUTES.

23 Member Associations cast valid votes by 11.00pm GMT on Monday 27th August, 2012, the deadline for voting. As there are currently 41 Members of the Federation, that represents 56.0975% of the Members. The totals of votes were as follows:

Q.1. Do you approve the Revised Statutes of the FIUV – including amendments consequent on the outcome of the questions to follow – to annul and replace all previous Statutes of the FIUV?
[YES] 20 [NO] 2 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.2. Having regard to Article 13.1 of the Revised Statutes, do you approve the Information Note – including amendments consequent on the outcome of the questions to follow – as a binding interpretation of the Statutes of the FIUV?
[YES] 19 [NO] 3 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.3. Having regard to Article 4.1 of the Revised Statutes and to Article 4, I., A, of the Information Note, should Member Associations of the FIUV be governed by [Please vote for A OR B]:

A. Lay elected officers, where lay excludes Deacons, Priests and Bishops; or
[YES] 16 [NO] 3

B. Lay elected officers and a governing body whose voting members are lay and elected, where lay excludes Deacons, Priests and Bishops.
[YES] 6 [NO] 4 Sum of votes cast for Q3 (22 + 1 abstention).

Q.4. Having regard to Article 4.6 of the Revised Statutes, and to relevant provisions of Article 8.1 (iii) and Article 10.1 (a) of the Revised Statutes, and to Article 4 III. C, D, and E of the Information Note, do you approve the creation of an Extraordinary Membership of the Federation?
[YES] 18 [NO] 4 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.5. Having regard to Article 4.7 of the Revised Statutes, do you approve the creation of National Correspondents of the Federation?

[YES] 21 [NO] 1 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.6. Having regard to Article 4.8 of the Revised Statutes, do you approve the creation of Friends of the Federation?

[YES] 21 [NO] 1 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.7. Having regard to Articles 6.6 and 7.1(iii) of the Revised Statutes, do you approve the reduction of the quorum for a General Assembly to one-fifth of the Members and the introduction of the same proportion as the minimum number of votes required for the validity of a written vote?

[YES] 18 [NO] 3 Sum of votes cast (21 + 2 abstentions)

Q.8. Having regard to Article 9.3 of the Revised Statutes and to the relevant provisions of Articles 5.3 c) and 9.1(iv), do you approve the insertion of the procedure to remove a President of the Federation?

[YES] 21 [NO] 1 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.9. Having regard to Article 8.4 of the Revised Statutes and to the relevant provisions of Article 5.3 d), do you approve the insertion of the procedure to remove a Councillor of the Federation?

[YES] 20 [NO] 2 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.10. Having regard to Article 11.1 d) - f) of the Revised Statutes, do you approve the revision of the duties of Members of the Federation?

[YES] 20 [NO] 2 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

Q.11. Having regard to Article 12.1 of the Revised Statutes and to the relevant provisions of Article 5.3 e), do you approve the revised procedure to dissolve the Federation?

[YES] 17 [NO] 5 Sum of votes cast (22 + 1 abstention)

OUTCOME OF VOTE.

Given that a 2/3 majority is required for each question, and given that a 2/3 majority of 23 votes is 16 votes, and given that more than 16 votes have been cast in favour of each of the questions put, I deem the Revised Statutes approved by the Members, annulling and replacing all previous Statutes of the FIUV on 28th August, 2012. In the case of question 3, a greater than two-thirds majority of votes cast was in favour of option A, which, in any case, as the original wording, would have been re-inserted if the Members had failed to vote by a two-thirds majority for either option. I have attached a copy of the Revised Statutes now in force. .

CERTIFIED AS A CORRECT RECORD OF THE VOTES CAST:

Leo Darroch – President.

Thomas Murphy – Secretary.

Oleg-Michael Martynov – Moderator of the statutes Sub-Committee.

AMENDMENTS

A number of amendments to the Revised Statutes have been suggested by Members over the past two months and these must be given due consideration as quickly as possible. I will contact the Members before the end of October 2012 to invite them to submit any amendments before the end of January 2013. I will propose a procedure to be followed so that the suggested amendments will be properly considered and action taken. Full details of this procedure will be given at the end of October and I hope to refer any amendments which are prepared and ready for voting early in 2013 to be circulated to the Members for a written vote. Any that are not ready for the written vote may be placed before the members at a later date, or at the General Assembly in November. My hope and expectation is that our members will have clear statutes that have the support of the majority of our members by the time we hold our GA in Rome in November 2013.

With my best wishes in Domino,

Leo Darroch,

President – Foederatio Internationalis Una Voce.