



# STATUTES: EXCERPTS

## Chapter I

### PURPOSE AND COMPOSITION

#### **Article 1:**

By virtue of the *Dahir* no. 1.58.376 of 3 *Jumada I*, 1378 (15 November 1958) regulating the law of associations, and by the present statutes, an association bearing the name "Moroccan British Society" is established.

#### **Article 2:**

The main purpose of the Association is to provide means of all kinds likely to allow the Moroccan and the British peoples to acquire a better mutual understanding of their civilizations, cultures, and political, academic, scientific, economic, financial, and commercial institutions so as to promote and foster their friendly relations and their cooperative ties in every domain.

Within the framework of its mission, the Association could cooperate with official institutions and organs of both States, with which it shall conclude cooperative agreements.

To achieve its mission, the Association can

- Organize and manage the mechanisms necessary for reciprocal information between both Moroccan and British circles interested in the essential historical aspects of both countries, their contemporary reality, and the forms of bilateral cooperation between the two States;
- Conduct various studies that would allow better knowledge of both countries;
- Create, promote and assist existing Moroccan and British entities in charge of developing bilateral cooperative actions in economic, academic, scientific, financial, and trade sectors in the two countries;
- Initiate, promote, and assist the exchange of academics and students by facilitating their recruitment, their reception and stay within institutions of higher education in each of the two countries, namely by granting them scholarships;
- Promote the teaching and the use of the English language in primary and secondary education by providing teachers and students with appropriate

pedagogical materials, and by allocating annual excellence prizes for the most distinguished instructors and the best English language learners;

- Organize and sponsor seminars, work sessions, conferences aiming at allowing Moroccan and British people to meet, improve mutual understanding, and establish relations of common interest;
- Organize or sponsor cultural events allowing artists from the two countries to meet each other, and present their works in public within the framework of festivals;
- Edit and publish newsletters of these activities in order to inform the public;
- Promote the publication and dissemination of books in all fields, likely to help develop a better knowledge of contemporary authors in each country, and create or participate in the creation of cultural centers or libraries, which would be stocked with reference books of each culture;
- Allocate an annual prize to reward Moroccan or British citizens whose works are likely to reinforce cooperation between the two peoples and to enhance mutual understanding;
- Create, in cooperation with official and private organizations working towards a similar objective, partnership relations in order to capitalize on existing goodwill and reinforce cooperation between the Kingdom of Morocco and the United Kingdom.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **Article 5:**

The Association is composed of founding members and active members, who could be admitted subsequently.

For that purpose, every new application should be approved by at least half the members of the Board of Directors and approved by the President of the Association.

The members of the Association should respect the statutory clauses of the Association and its internal regulations.

The General Assembly could propose to the Board of Directors the admission into the Association of sustaining and honorary members based on the services, financial support and assistance they have given or are likely to give to the Association.

### **Article 6:**

Individuals and legal entities of British nationality could join the Association. However, the duties they might perform in the administration or direction of the Association, and the number of voices they might have within its organs shall not give the Association the nature of a foreign association as described in the *Dahir* regulating the law of associations in Morocco.

### **Article 7:**

Every member is free to withdraw from the Association at any time.