AFIC Constitutional Provisions concerning Membership of Societies

3. Interpretation

In this Constitution unless there be something in the subject of context inconsistent therewith:

"Society" means any Muslim association that is established in accordance with this Constitution and is carried on with the objects substantially similar to those of the Federation.

"State Council" means Council of Societies formed in each State or Territory of Australia as provided by this Constitution.

5. <u>Structure</u>

- (1) The organisation of the Federation shall consist of State Councils, themselves formed by the local Societies of each State or Territory of Australia. Where there is only one Society in a State or Territory, that Society shall act as State Council for that State or Territory until such time as other *Society or Societies are formed in accordance with this Constitution*.
- (2) It shall be incumbent on each State Council to remain a constituent body of the Federation, and on each local Islamic Society to be constituent part of the State Council. It shall also be incumbent on each Society and State Council to ensure that in principle its constitution is in conformity with this Constitution, and is registered with relevant State or Territory Government authorities.
- (3) (a) For the purpose of this constitution *each Islamic Society should have a membership of not less than one hundred financial members* except the Societies in remote areas where no other Society exists. Remote areas may be declared as such by the concerned State Council in agreement with the Executive Committee of AFIC.
- (b) A person who is already a member of the Federation by virtue of membership in a Society may not enrol as a member of another Society unless he resigns his membership in that Society.
- (4) The membership subscription payable to the AFIC shall from time to time be determined by the Federal Council.
- (7) Acceptance of new member Societies or expulsion of an existing member Society shall be in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution and relevant resolutions of the Federal Congress/Council. Only member societies of the AFIC which have paid their membership subscription to the AFIC are eligible to participate in the affairs of the AFIC or the relevant State Council'

10. Management and Administration

The business and affairs of the Federation shall be manned and administered by the Executive Committee in accordance with this Constitution and the resolutions of the Federal Congress and the Federal Council.