# **Constitution for BCA'37 UK Charity (unregistered)**

#### *NAME*

- 1. The name of the charity shall be "BCA'37 UK", hereinafter called "the Charity".
- 2. It is not intended that the Charity will be registered with the Charities Commission.
- 3. The Charity shall be non-party in politics and non-sectarian in religion. It shall not offer nor accept allegiance or support to any political or religious initiatives, nor shall it interfere in the political or religious beliefs of its members. It shall be operated solely on a charitable basis.

### **AIMS**

4. The objects of the Charity shall be to advance the education of the public, academics and students on the subject of the exile in 1937 of 4000 Basque children to the UK during the Spanish civil war.

### **TRUSTEES**

- 5. The management of the Charity and the control of its assets shall be directed by the board of trustees consisting of at least three trustees. Trustees must be persons in sympathy with the above aims of the Charity and agree to act in a fiduciary duty towards the Charity, its assets, finances and resources. The board of trustees shall appoint one trustee to act as treasurer.
- 6. Trustees are appointed by consensus of the existing trustees for an initial period of up to four years and may be reappointed by consensus. A trustee can resign from the position at any meeting of the board of trustees or be removed by majority vote of the trustees if their behaviour is such as to bring the Charity into disrepute.
- 7. In the event of the number of trustees reducing to three and in the event of one of the trustees being unable, for whatever reason, to continue to act, the remaining trustees will appoint a replacement trustee before any further decisions concerning the operation of the Charity take place.
- 8. Decisions at meetings of the board of trustees shall be by consensus or by majority vote. All trustees must abide and uphold any decisions so made.

### *FINANCE*

- 9. All moneys raised, or assets acquired, by or on behalf of the Charity shall be applied to further the objects of the Charity and for no other purpose.
- a) The treasurer shall keep proper accounts of the finances of the Charity.
- b) A statement of accounts shall be submitted at least annually to all other trustees.
- c) A bank account shall be opened in the name of the Charity into which all moneys, other than modest amounts of petty cash, shall be deposited. Money shall not be drawn or bills paid except with the approval of the trustees. The treasurer is authorised to make such payments by establishing an online banking account under his/her control, or by using cheques signed by two trustees whose signatures are recognised by the bank.
- d) In no circumstances shall the assets of the Charity by paid to or distributed among the trustees except in as much as a trustee may be paid reasonable and proper remuneration for goods or

services supplied to the Charity with the unanimous approval of the board of trustees other than him/herself.

# ALTERATIONS TO THIS CONSTITUTION

- 10. Any proposal to alter this constitution may be notified by any trustee and must be communicated to all trustees with at least 30 days notice. All such alterations must be approved by the trustees under the provisions of clause 8 above.
- 11. Clauses 1, 2 and 3 of this constitution shall be unalterable.

#### DISSOLUTION

12. If the trustees decide at any time that on the grounds of expense or otherwise that it is necessary and advisable to dissolve the Charity, any remaining assets of the Charity, after the satisfaction of any proper debts or liabilities, must be applied directly to the aims given in clause 4 above, or by transfer to a charity or charities (registered or unregistered) having similar aims to the Charity.

# THIS CONSTITUTION WAS ADOPTED AT A MEETING HELD AT

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