

THE CONSTITUTION
CHAMA CHA UZALENDO
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ARTICLE 1: NAME AND ESTABLISHMENT:

1. The name of the Party shall be, CHAMA CHA UZALENDO, herein being referred to as the party or C.C.U, established pursuant to the laws of Kenya.
2. The Physical or Virtual Offices & Postal Address for the purposes of this party shall be, P.O. BOX 51871-00100 Nairobi, Kenya and as determined from time to time by the NEC.
3. The Logo of C.C.U shall be Security Whistle.
4. The Colors shall be Heavy leaf green, Ivory white and Blood red.
5. The Party Motto shall be 'PAMOJA TUTAFAULU'
6. The Party Slogan shall be 'SIASA NI SERA SIO FITINA'.
7. The party is founded on the principles of Social Democracy.
8. The leadership of the party shall be based on the platform of equality of all persons, the rule of law and on the highest personal integrity.
9. All leaders of the party shall subscribe to and uphold the Code of Conduct for members and pledge of Commitment, which form part of this Constitution.

ARTICLE 2: VISION AND MISSION:

VISION:

To have a democratic Kenya that is just and governed by the rule of law.

MISSION:

To build a political party that values multiparty democracy, providing equal opportunities to all without discrimination and within the rule of law, and improve economic and social well-being of all Kenyans and other lawful residents of Kenya.

ARTICLE 3: CORE VALUES:

1. Social Justice.
2. Liberty.
3. Nationalism.
4. Integrity.
5. Democracy.
6. Equity.
7. Family Values.
8. Economic Empowerment.

ARTICLE 4: AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The aims and objectives of CHAMA CHA UZALEENDO shall be:

- 4.1.** Seek, by lawful means, the establishment and nurturing of a democratic and accountable government where corruption, ethnicity, fraud and other ills affecting the country is all eliminated.
- 4.2.** Serve as a political party with a view of enriching the constitutional government, anchored on democracy, good governance, accountability and transparency in Public affairs in Kenya.
- 4.3.** Work for and promote the rule of law under an independent and impartial judiciary, to streamline and strengthen systems that protect and maintain freedom.
- 4.4.** To defend the rights of all Kenyans regardless of tribe, religion, gender or race and especially marginalized, minority Communities, women, children and the disabled.
- 4.5.** To advocate for equitable distribution of economic, natural resources and Opportunities for all Kenyans.
- 4.6.** To champion and promote the rule of law, human rights, transparency, and Accountability in governance.
- 4.7.** Cooperate with other political parties, trade unions and other kindred organizations, in joint political or other action in harmony with the party constitution and standing Orders, beliefs and practices.
- 4.8.** To fight for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and promotion of equality in Governance and communities.
- 4.9.** To promote political, social and economic emancipation of disadvantaged and Marginalized communities in Kenya and work towards elimination of all physical and mental barriers limiting the realization of this objective.
- 4.10.** To protect, conserve and manage the environment and all our natural resources by eliminating the negative impact of the global warming, pollution on land, water and air.

- 4.11.** To protect the rights of all religions on an equal basis.
- 4.12.** To support the youth by offering them opportunities to advance themselves through Training and advancement of their talents and skills.
- 4.13.** To ensure provision of water, health, and education to all Kenyans.
- 4.14.** To participate in politics by fielding candidates for the presidential, parliamentary, governors, senators and ward representatives' elections.
- 4.15.** To ensure equitable distribution of land among all Kenyans and to work towards eliminating the problem of landlessness and squatters.
- 4.16.** To form party branches in all counties.
- 4.17.** To support regional movement and governance and international organization to achieve social, economic and political development for all Kenyans and the conservation and improvement of our national and cultural diversity.
- 4.18.** To advocate and promote respect for global and other international human rights norms and practices.
- 4.19.** To form council of elders in every county to guide, counsel and to advise the party officials when need arises. The county council of elders shall elect the National council of elders presided by the NEC.
- 4.20.** To promote and strengthen the devolved system of Government to encourage equitable distribution of resources and improve standards of leaving to all.
- 4.21.** Educate and create awareness among Kenyans on the need to strengthen and promote the use of the Kiswahili language which is also the official language of the party in the discussion and debate of public matters, issues and policies with a view to enhancing and promoting our NATIONALISM and enriching the democratic systems of government free of either biases and prejudices, to ensure all and sundry understand the goals of collective governance.
- 4.22.** Promote and ensure participation of Women, Youth and disabled in the conduct of public affairs and in elections at every level.
- 4.23.** To promote the cultural life of Kenyans in all spheres for national development and protection of indigenous rights and natural resources.
- 4.24.** To ensure that the natural resources of Kenyans are conserved or exploited responsibly for the betterment of Kenyans and with a special treatment of the indigenous owners.



- 4.25.** To educate and create awareness among Kenyans on public matters, issues and policies with a view to enhancing and maintaining a just, open and democratic system of government.
- 4.26.** To promote social democracy ideals geared towards inspiring and stirring socio-economic and political development.
- 4.27.** To form government through democratic means.
- 4.28.** Take active and progressive measurers to assure that women, youth and disabled in the conduct of public affairs and elections at every level.
- 4.29.** To compete with other political parties for the purposes of winning elections and forming government by nominating and fielding candidates for elective offices including presidential, their running mates, members of parliaments, senators, Governors, women representatives, county assembly representatives, People with disabilities, Youth representatives at both national and county levels.
- 4.30.** To advocate for a strong united Kenya, Pan Africanism and African regional economic, political, social, cultural, academic, research organizations and institutions.
- 4.31.** Mobilize financial resources for the party by lawful means including, but not limited to, accepting donations and endowments, borrowing, pledging, mortgaging or charging party properties to secure loans, investing any of its monies in securities or ventures approved by the party through its organs, or engaging in any commercial activities or undertaking for the benefit of the party.

ARTICLE 5: MEMBERSHIP OF C.C.U.

- 5.1.** Membership of the Party will be open to all Kenyan men and women at the age of 18 years and above, without regard to race, color or creed, provided they subscribe to the Party Constitution and its Articles.
- 5.2.** There shall be four (4) categories of membership, namely, Ordinary, Corporate/Associate, Life Membership and Honorary membership. There shall be a registration subscription fees for every category of membership to join the party and an annual subscription fees to maintain eligibility to one's party membership.
- 5.3.** Ordinary members shall renew their membership annually while Corporate and Life members shall renew their membership at an amount prescribed by the constitution on annual basis. All subscription fees are payable by the last date of January in each calendar year.

There would be a grace period up to the last date of March in each calendar year after which the members of the party that has not paid the subscription fees for that year would cease. Any person whose membership ceases due to failure to pay the subscription fees would have to pay up all monies that would have been paid for each year to be readmitted to membership by the NEC.

- 5.4.** Whereas Ordinary members shall participate in voting and in activities aimed at popularizing the party, Life members shall also be eligible for party and National Elections at all levels upon nomination.
- 5.5.** Honorary members shall be friends and well-wishers of the party from Kenya and other Nations of the world. They shall participate in all activities aimed at promoting and strengthening the party.
- 5.6.** Honorary and Corporate members shall have no voting rights.
- 5.7.** Individual membership shall be Kenyan citizens who are aged eighteen and above, subscribe to the ideology and objectives of the party and are not members of other political parties or organizations whose aims and objectives are in competition or conflict with those of the Chama Cha Uzalendo. Accepts and conform to the constitution, ideologies, principles and policies of the party. Have signed the party's code of conduct and a pledge of commitment.
- 5.8.** Kenyans residing abroad may become individual overseas members by enrolment with the party Headquarters, provided they accept the conditions of individual membership as stated above and may establish overseas supporters' groups registered with the party Headquarters.
- 5.9.** Members residing abroad for a period of not more than twelve months may retain their membership of the party but should notify the party Headquarters of their address.
- 5.10.** The NEC shall have powers to confer honorary membership to any person and may do so posthumously.
- 5.11.** The NEC shall have powers to determine classes of membership, the entrance fee and annual subscription fee for a member and shall adjust that fee from time to time.
- 5.12.** Members are expected to be of high moral integrity.
- 5.13.** Any organization or corporate body may be admitted as Associate member provided they subscribe to the Constitution and party rules.
- 5.14.** While Ordinary membership may be granted by the sub-branch subject to approval by the NEC, Associate and honorary membership shall only be granted with the approval of the National Executive Committee (NEC).

- 5.15. The Party branch or the National Executive Committee will have the right to reject any application if it feels such acceptance or refusal contravenes party principles. In case of refusal, such refusal must be communicated to the applicant in writing, who shall then have the option of appealing to the higher body, the National Executive Committee which will give a final verdict.
- 5.16. A member in any of the approved categories of membership who fails to pay his/her annual subscriptions for three months within the year, having been reminded of their lapse of failure to pay may lose his/her right to membership of the party, as may be determined by the NEC.
- 5.17. Every member shall be required to subscribe to and abide by the party code of conduct, party aims, objectives, rules, policies, programs and the constitution and will be entitled to free or reduced cost/fee to a copy of the party constitution or other published party documents.
- 5.18. A member of the party may resign his/her membership by giving notice in writing to the Secretary General copied to the Registrar of political parties.
- 5.19. A member shall be liable to have his/her membership dealt with and may be suspended, reprimanded, or expelled from the party in accordance with the rules and regulations of the party as made from time to time by NEC and which shall be in accordance and consistent with applicable laws of Kenya.
- 5.20. The party reserves the right to deny membership to any prospective applicant without giving any reasons.
- 5.21. Membership details to be contained in the register shall include identification details, region, ethnicity, disability, gender, and County.
- 5.22. There shall be continuous up-dating of the party membership register.

Article 6: HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF CCU:

- 6.1. One can become a member by a written or verbal application to a nearest party office or to any other structure appointed by the NEC to receive applications. The party office or structure may refuse any application however, their acceptance or refusal shall be subject to review by the NEC.
- 6.2. A person can become a member when approached by a party member, party representative, party official, or a staff to do so during membership recruitment drive.

- 6.3. Life or Corporate membership shall be made to and considered by NEC.
- 6.4. A successful applicant shall be issued with a membership serialized membership card or certificate where applicable duly signed dated and stamped with the party official stamp upon payment of the prescribed membership fee and signing of the party code of conduct and pledge of commitment.

ARTICLE 7: RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS

The rights of CCU member shall be as follows:

- 7.1 Members have a duty to support the party both financially and materially and to attend Meetings called by the party leadership.
- 7.2. Offer constrictive criticism of any member, official, policy program or activity within the party structure within the laid down rules and regulations in order to build a strong and united party.
- 7.3. Take party in voting and be eligible for party and National elections.
- 7.5. Receive and impact information on the party polices unless that information is restricted to a particular person or structure.
- 7.6. Every member has the duty to observe discipline, behave in line with the constitution and carry out the discussions of the party.
- 7.7. Every member of the party has the right to take party in elections and seek election or appointment to any committee, structure or delegation of the party subject to rules and regulations of the party.
- 7.8. Every member of a party has a duty to propagate the aims and objectives of the party, protect the interest of the party including defending the policies, aims and objectives of the party.
- 7.9. Every member of the party has a duty to mobilize support for the party recruitment of new members for the party and to vote for the party's candidates in elections.

- 7.10. A member of C.C.U will have the right of engaging in all activities of the party such as participating in party programs, elections, be elected, or appointed to any committee and /or assigned any duties on behalf of the party.
- 7.11. Every person who is admitted to membership of the party shall be bound by the constitution and the party code of conduct and shall be entitled to access the party constitution and other published documents and any other important information through the party website or purchase at the agreed price.
- 7.12. A member has a duty of supporting the party and be loyal to the party rules and regulations, and in accordance to the Political Parties Act.
- 7.13. A member of the party may resign his/her membership by giving notice in writing to the Secretary General copied to the Registrar of political parties.
- 7.14. Any member who openly advocates the policies and ideals of another political party shall be subject to suspension or expulsion as per Political Parties Act 2011 Article 4 (5) b.
- 7.15. Take a full and active part in the discussion, formulation, implementation and dissemination of the party polices and activities to the public.
- 7.16. Submit proposals, statements or ideas through the party organs.
- 7.17. Observe discipline, behave honestly and carry out loyally decisions of the majority and decisions of higher bodies.

ARTICLE 8: TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP:

One can cease to be a member by:

- 8.1. Engaging in activities which are in conflict with that of CCU e.g. subscribing to other political parties' ideologies.
- 8.2. Resolution of the NEC.
- 8.3. In writing to the Secretary General upon which the membership shall cease upon receiving of the resignation letter.
- 8.4. Any person whose membership has been terminated shall not be entitled to a refund of the fees or subscriptions and shall lose all rights and privileges with effect from the date of resignation from the party.

- 8.5. A person who has ceased to be a member shall be required to return all party property within his custody, possession or control. The party shall have a right to lay a claim against that individual for any monies due or owing to the party or for any damage or loss occasioned to the party property that was in his control prior to termination of membership. This provision also applies to the officers of the party.
- 8.6. Any elected or nominated member of the county assembly, Member of Parliament, Governor, Senator and any other appointed government officials who falls on the same categories of elected, nominated or appointed honorable members shall automatically lose their party membership and party whip withdrawn failure to pay three consecutive compulsory monthly contributions subject to three written reminders within a period of 60 days.
- 8.7. The party shall disqualify any candidates elected or nominated before or after the general elections who admits, acknowledges or shows allegiance or adherence to other party's philosophies or agendas.

ARTICLE 9: STRUCTURES AND PARTY ORGANS:

- 9.1 The Structure recognizes the existence of a Party leader who shall be the head of the party. The NEC will recommend name(s) and be elected competitively during and by the NDC.
- 9.2. C.C.U. party shall have the following organs:
 - a) National Delegates Congress (NDC).
 - b) National Executive Committee (NEC).
 - c) National Governing Council (NGC).
 - d) County Party Forums (CPF).
 - e) Constituency Committees (CC).
 - f) Ward Committees (WC).
 - g) Polling Station committees (PSC).
 - h) There shall be Uzalendo Women's Congress (UWC).
 - i) There shall be Uzalendo Youth Congress (UYC).
 - j) There shall be Uzalendo Persons with Disability Congress (UPDC).
 - k) There shall be Uzalendo Parliamentary and County Leaders Groups (UPCLG).
 - l) There shall be Uzalendo Council of Elders (UCE).
- 9.3. Branches shall be at the County level.
- 9.4. Sub-BRANCH shall be at the Constituency level.
- 9.5. There shall be Ward committee at the Location/Ward level.

9.6. All officials of the party shall be fully paid up/ and up-to-date members of Chama Cha Uzalendo.

ARTICLE 10: THE NATIONAL DELEGATES CONGRESS (NDC)

10.1. The National Delegates Congress shall be the supreme body of C.C.U and shall consist of the following:

- a)** All members of the National Executive Committee.
- b)** All members of Parliament/Senators.
- c)** All members of County Assembly/Governors.
- d)** Five (5) Delegates inclusive of gender; persons holding no other positions from every County Party Forums.

10.2. National Delegates Congress Elections shall be by-secret ballot, consensus, or acclamation, the NDC shall be held every 5 years. The date, venue, and month of the NDC shall be determined by NEC.

10.3. Notice of the meeting shall be sent by the Secretary General at least 21 days before such date. The Secretary General will send the agenda of the meeting to the delegates together with the notice of such meeting.

10.4. The Agenda:

- I.** Confirmation of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
- II.** The Treasurer's report.
- III.** Election of NEC members.
- IV.** Appointment of auditors in accordance with the constitution.
- V.** Ratify provisions from the NEC to change or amend or adopt alterations of the party constitution, name, symbol, party colors, and rules.
- VI.** Such other matters as the NEC may decide, or as to which notice shall have been given in writing by a member or members to the secretary General at least 2 weeks before the date of a meeting.
- VII.** A.O.B. as per the approval of the NEC.

10.5. The Party Leader in consultation with the Chairperson and Secretary General with full proof of an agreement reached shall have the powers of calling a National Delegates Congress following the decision of the NEC or if requested by a-half of the preceding National Delegates Congress.

10.6. NDC shall adopt and approve where necessary policies, programs, and mergers with other political parties as per the party constitution and as recommended by NEC.

10.7. Receive and discuss reports from the National Governing Council, the National Executive Committee and the National Elections Board.

- 10.8.** Elect members of the National Executive Committee (NEC), appoint Board of Trustees, and Auditors of the party.
- 10.9.** Nominate the Party Presidential candidate.

ARTICLE 11: NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (NEC)

- 11.1.** There shall be the National Executive Committee (NEC) to manage the party and implement its policies on behalf of the NDC subject to the provisions of the Constitution. It is entrusted with running and administering C.C.U on behalf of the NDC.
- 11.2.** Unless otherwise stipulated, NEC, shall be elected by the NDC, through secret ballot, consensus, or by acclamation and shall hold office for five years.
- 11.3** NEC meetings shall be convened by the Chairperson through consultation with the Secretary General and with full proof proposed agendas reached on the same. NEC meetings can also be requested by a-half of the NEC officials through an official written requisition signed by themselves to the Secretary General who shall thereby notify the Chairperson and issue notice within the stipulated timeframe allowed by the party constitution. The NEC shall meet at least quarterly except when necessary depending on emerging issues which need attention.

11.4. NEC shall have the following membership: -

1. Party leader.
2. Deputy Party Leader.
3. Chairperson.
4. Deputy Chairperson.
5. Secretary General.
6. Deputy Secretary General.
7. Treasurer.
8. Deputy Treasurer.
9. National Organizing Secretary.
10. Deputy National Organizing Secretary.
11. National woman Congress leader.
12. Deputy Women Congress Leader.
13. National youth Congress leader.
14. Deputy Youth Congress leader.
15. National Persons with Disability Congress Leader.
16. Deputy persons with Disability Congress Leader.
17. Secretary for Information and Publicity.
18. Deputy Secretary for Information and publicity.
19. Secretary for Legal affairs(I)
20. Secretary for Legal Affairs(II)
21. Secretary for Elections.
22. Deputy Secretary for Elections.
23. Secretary for Elders Affairs.

The National Executive Director and the Deputy Executive Director shall seat within NEC as EX- Officios.

11.5. THE DUTIES OF NEC:

- a) Carry out the decisions and instructions of the NDC and the NGC.
- b) To run the party and make decisions in between the NDC.
- c) To supervise the administrative machinery of the party at all levels and to recommend measures to be taken by the NGC as it deems necessary to enforce decisions and programs of the party as laid down by the NDC.
- d) Issue and send directives and instructions to and receive reports from the Counties.
- e) Ensure smooth functioning of Counties (Branches), Constituencies (sub-branches) and other structures of C.C.U.
- f) Oversee the work of the Uzalendo Women's Congress, Uzalendo special groups Congress, the Uzalendo Youth Congress, and Elders council.
- g) Establish departments and set up committees, as it considers appropriate.
- h) Manage and enroll all the property and assets of the party and keep record of the party membership.
- i) Receive reports, supervise the work of and delegate such functions to the National Secretariat and Elections Board as it considers necessary.
- j) Issue documents and other policy directives as and when it deems fit.
- k) Confer such honors as it may deem appropriate.
- l) The NEC shall appoint any person to a position whenever a vacancy arises in the NEC to act for the remainder of the term.
- m) The NEC shall establish departments, appoint or elect any commissions or committees and assign it specified tasks and duties.
- n) The NEC shall have powers to nominate a standing committee on Disciplinary and dispute resolutions which shall be responsible for disciplinary actions and dispute resolutions processes.

- o) The NEC subject to ratification of 2/3 of NEC may suspend or dismiss any office bearer from office for reason of insubordination, misconduct, conviction on a charge of corruption, moral impropriety or any other offense under the Penal Code. Before taking the disciplinary action aforesaid, the NEC shall first give the office bearer or party member a reasonable opportunity to be heard and make a defense to the allegations or charges made against him/her in accordance with the rules of natural justice and fair play.
- p) The NEC shall have powers to suspend, reprimand, penalize or expel members or officials of the party after the persons concerned have been given an opportunity to a fair hearing through the disciplinary or dispute resolution committee.
- q) To dissolve Wards/Sub-branch/Branch, County Executive Committees where necessary and call new elections within three months.
- r) To appoint and fix the terms and conditions of service of the Executive Directors and other members of staff in the employment of the party.
- s) To receive reports, supervise the work of, and delegate such functions to the national Secretariat and National Elections Board as it considers necessary.
- t) To identify and appoint any persons to be nominated by the party to parliament as nominated MPs and to appoint nominated MCAs as recommended by the County Executive Committees.
- u) The NEC shall fill vacant positions of any of other established committees as may be deemed fit.
- v) The NEC shall appoint the strategic planning committee that will be responsible for proposing party policies, conducting research and overall organization, planning & resource mobilization for the party.
- w) The NEC as required by article 8.6. of this constitution on failure of elected/nominated members to pay compulsory monthly contributions shall without recourse immediately withdraw membership and party whip from that member.

- x) The NEC shall have the power of majority to act on any important matter communicated or requisitioned officially through the Secretary General. So long as there shall not be less than a half of the total NEC officials hereof, the party's power to act vested in or exercisable by the NEC under this constitution shall be capable of being performed or exercised by a majority of the NEC hereof for the time being and any action or decision of such majority shall be as valid and effectual as it would have been if done or made by any properly constituted NEC.
- y) The NEC shall adopt recommendations forwarded by the County Party Forums/ Branches on the proposed candidates/nominees to the party lists based on the party's nominations rules and regulations. NEC may amend the proposals where necessary before approval.
- z) The NEC shall have the mandate to change or amend or do alterations of the party constitution, name, symbol, party colors, and rules for ratification of the same by the NGC or the NDC.

- 11.6.** If any County official is elected or appointed to the NEC in his or her own right or as a national official, such a person shall not continue to hold any other position concurrently. This shall be followed in other respective levels within the party except in the case of acting capacity.
- 11.7.** The NEC shall meet at least quarterly and in the event of an emergency it shall assume full responsibility of the party and report to the NGC.
- 11.8.** The NEC shall have the powers to reject membership's application without necessarily giving reasons by a majority of the quorum without any right of appeal.

ARTICLE 12: THE NATIONAL GOVERNING COUNCIL:

- 12.1.** There shall be a National Governing Council (NGC) composed of the following members:
 - a) All NEC Members.
 - b) All members of Parliament.
 - c) Governors, Senators and Ward representatives elected/nominated.
 - d) County Chairpersons.
- 12.2.** The NGC shall be responsible for giving political directions and guidelines, and provide a platform for political dialogue.
- 12.3.** The NGC shall ratify and approve issues discussed and agreed on the matter of policies, programs, amendments of the constitution/Rules and Regulations, alliances, coalitions and manifesto of the party as proposed by the NEC.

ARTICLE 13: THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

- 13.1.** There shall be a management committee which shall act on behalf of the NEC on urgent matters where, in their opinion, the NEC can't be sufficiently convened to undertake such urgent decisions, convene on short notice, executive meetings to execute the mandate of the NEC, Set the agenda of the NEC, oversee management and supervision of party affairs on behalf of the NEC, and approve budgetary plans on behalf of the NEC.
- 13.2.** The management committee shall be convened by the Secretary General and in his/her absence the Deputy Secretary General shall act.
- 13.3.** The membership to the management committee shall be, the Party Leader, the Chairperson, Secretary General, N/Treasurer, N/Organizing Secretary and the Executive Director (Ex-officio). Their deputies shall only attend as alternates where it's confirmed that the substantive official is unavailable to attend.

ARTICLE 14: THE COUNTY PARTY FORUMS:

- 14.1.** Subject to the overall guidance of the NEC, the CPF shall be the highest organ of the party in each County.
- 14.2.** The County Party Forum (CPF) shall consist of the following.
 - a) All Constituency Chairpersons in the County.
 - b) All Constituency Secretaries.
 - c) All Constituency Treasurers.
 - d) All constituency Organizing Secretaries.
 - e) All Constituency Women Leaders.
 - f) All Constituency Youth Leaders.
 - g) Two Persons with Disability within the County.
 - h) The elected and Nominated CCU members to National, Senate and County Assemblies shall be invited as (ex-officials).
 - i) The appointed County Coordinator (Ex-officio) by the National Party Secretariat.

They will elect amongst themselves from an equal representation within the number of constituencies forming the County. They shall elect the Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Organizing Secretary, and five (5) members/delegates to offer leadership at the County Level.

- 14.3.** The CPF shall normally have one meeting annually or meetings called under the approval of the NEC and communicated back officially by the Secretary General.
- 14.4.** The CPF shall be responsible for giving political directions and guidelines, and provide a platform for political dialogue in the County.

- 14.5. The Co-coordinator shall have the mandate of requesting a special County Party Forum in consultation with the National Secretariat or if requested by half of the CPF members.
- 14.6. CPF shall recommend policy, programs, Constitution and party manifesto amendments for consideration by the National Delegates Congress (NDC) through the NEC.
- 14.7. Carry out the decisions of the NDC, NGC and NEC.

ARTICLE 15: CONSTITUENCY COMMITTEES (CC).

- 15.1. The Uzalendo constituency committee referred to as the Sub-branch shall be responsible for overseeing the implementation of the party manifesto and polices in the Constituency.
- 15.2. The committee shall be formed through an election by equal representation from the wards within the constituency.
- 15.3. The Sub-branch committee shall have the following officials:
 - a) Chairperson
 - b) Vice Chairperson
 - c) Secretary
 - d) Vice Secretary
 - e) Treasurer
 - f) Vice Treasurer
 - g) Organizing Secretary
 - h) Vice Organizing Secretary
 - i) Women Leader
 - j) Youth Leader
 - k) Person with Disability.
 - l) Two elected members.

ARTICLE 16: WARD COMMITTEES.

- 16.1. There shall be a Ward Committee which shall be responsible to articulate party issues at the Ward Level and be in charge with the recruitment of party members.
- 16.2. The committee shall be formed through an election by equal representation from the Polling stations within the Ward.

16.3. The ward committee shall have the following officials:

- 1) Chairperson
- 2) Vice Chairperson
- 3) Secretary
- 4) Vice Secretary
- 5) Treasurer
- 6) Vice Treasurer
- 7) Organizing Secretary
- 8) Vice Organizing Secretary
- 9) Women Leader
- 10) Youth Leader
- 11) Person with Disability.
- 12) Two elected members.

ARTICLE 17: POLLING STATION COMMITTEE

- 17.1** There shall be a Polling Station Committee which shall be responsible to articulate party issues at the polling station Level and be in charge with the recruitment of party members.
- 17.2** The committee shall be formed through an election by equal representation from the Villages within the polling station.
- 17.3** The polling station committee shall have the following officials:

- a) Chairperson
- b) Vice Chairperson
- c) Secretary
- d) Vice Secretary
- e) Treasurer
- f) Vice Treasurer
- g) Organizing Secretary
- h) Vice Org. Secretary
- i) Women Leader
- j) Youth Leader
- k) Person with Disability/Special Interest.
- l) Two elected members.

Article 18: PROCEDURE AND QUORUM OF THE MEETINGS:

- 18.1.** Notices for all meetings including the agenda shall be sent out by the Secretary-General, branch secretary or sub-branch secretary, depending on the hierarchy of the party.

18.2. There shall be two classes of meetings as follows: -

- (i) Ordinary meetings shall be convened by a written notice of 14 days.
 - (ii) Special meetings shall require a notice of 7 days and shall be convened for some specific important purposes only by order in writing to the secretary General. No other matters shall be discussed other than the one's stated in the requisition.
- 18.3.** Quorums for all meetings shall be a third (1/3) of the membership thereof. Any official who fails to attend three consecutive meetings without reasonable apology shall be liable to suspension.
- 18.4.** At all meetings the Chairperson or in their absence their Deputies shall act to preside, or else, the members shall appoint one among themselves to preside.
- 18.5.** Resolutions shall be decided by simple majority, secret ballot, acclamation or consensus by show of hands during voting; and shall be recorded in the minutes.
- 18.6.** In the event of an equality of votes at any voting, the Chairperson shall have a deciding vote.
- 18.7.** All party organs will follow these procedures in the respective levels.

- 18.8.** The party has the right to adopt different technologies solutions to help the party membership or the officials hold virtual party meetings or convey party messages where necessary for as long as there's evidence and records confirming such kind of meetings or messages was actualized. The meeting must be convened and properly hosted by known party officials mandated to do so.

ARTICLE 19: PARTY OFFICES:

- 19.1.** The head office of C.C.U shall be located in any appropriate location within Kenya.
- 19.2.** Branch offices shall be located at the County headquarters.
- 19.3.** Sub-Branche offices shall be located at the Constituency headquarters.
- 19.4.** The Ward offices shall be located at an appropriate location in the Ward.
- 19.5.** The Diaspora headquarters or offices shall be based where agreed upon by the NEC.

ARTICLE 20: ELECTED NATIONAL OFFICIALS:

20.1. Elected National Officials, who shall be fully paid-up life members shall consist of:

1. Party leader.
2. Deputy Party Leader.
3. Chairperson.
4. Deputy Chairperson.
5. Secretary General.
6. Deputy Secretary General.
7. Treasurer.
8. Deputy Treasurer.
9. National Organizing Secretary.
10. Deputy National Organizing Secretary.
11. National woman Congress leader.
12. Deputy woman congress leader.
13. National youth Congress leader.
14. Deputy youth congress leader.
15. National Persons with Disability Congress Leader.
16. Deputy Persons with Disability Congress Leader.
17. Secretary for Information and publicity.
18. Deputy Secretary for Information and publicity.
19. Secretary for Legal affairs(I)
20. Secretary for Legal Affairs (II)
21. Secretary for Elections.
22. Deputy Secretary for Elections.
23. Secretary for Elders affairs.

20.2. The elected National Officials shall hold office for five years and shall be eligible for re-elections at the expiry of their term in office.

20.3. Officials who cease to be members of the Party shall automatically cease to be office bearers. They shall also lose office through bankruptcy.

20.4. The National Executive Committee may suspend or expel any office bearer for gross misconduct after giving the office bearer a fair and reasonable opportunity to defend himself/herself against the charges or allegations made against him or her through a disciplinary process. Such suspension or expulsion shall be ratified by two thirds of the National Executive Council (NEC) subject to the recommendation of the Disciplinary committee.

20.5. The aggrieved shall have the right to appeal to the NEC within seven days before the NEC affirms or vary the disciplinary committee's decision. The decision of the NEC in any disputes or disciplinary actions shall be final.

- 20.6.** In all cases, vacancies thus caused shall be filled by NEC and the relevant officials shall finish the remainder of the term in office in acting capacity.
- 20.7.** Party officials/Members shall be eligible for any elective post e.g. Presidential, Governor, senator, Member of Parliament and ward representative etc.
- 20.8.** Elections of officials shall be conducted in such a manner that ensures 2/3 gender rule and that the officials are nationally distributed.
- 20.9.** The Executive Director shall be an ex-official member of all meetings of the party organs.

ARTICLE 21: DUTIES OF NATIONAL OFFICIALS:

The main duties of elected national Officials shall be:

21.1. THE PARTY LEADER:

- 21.1.1.** The Party leader in that capacity symbolizes the image and the unity of the party.
- 21.1.2.** The party leader will give policy direction stand and position of the party in consultation with the elected officials and ensure adherence to party policies and relevant by-laws by officials, members and the different party elective groups.
- 21.1.3.** The party leader shall be the second spokesperson of the party and shall have voting rights.
- 21.1.4.** The party leader can course for the convening of party meetings after consultations within the party organs on specific agenda as necessary.
- 21.1.5.** The party leader shall propose or replace his/her Deputy Party leader on consultation with NEC where a vacancy exists.
- 21.1.6.** The Party Leader shall convene through consultation with relevant party organs all national party meetings including NEC, NGC, NDC, and any other special meetings as he/she shall deem necessary.
- 21.1.7.** The Party Leader shall convene and preside over the joint meetings of the Parliamentary group and the NEC.
- 21.1.8.** The Party Leader shall convene and preside over meetings of the Council of Elders.



21.1.9. The party leader will be the alternate signatory to the party accounts and other essentials documents including minutes and nomination certificates.

21. 1. 10. Where an important or an emergency matter arises prior to a NEC meeting; the Party leader in consultation with the National Chairperson and the Secretary General shall take a decision pending the discussion of the same in the next NEC meeting.

21.2 NATIONAL DEPUTY PARTY LEADER.

The Deputy Party Leader shall deputize the Party Leader in his/her absence or upon such delegation of duties by the Party Leader or the NEC.

21.3. NATIONAL CHAIRPERSON.

National Chairperson shall convene through consultations and preside over NEC meetings. He or She will chair meetings of the party other than those requested by the party leader. He/She will be a signatory to the party bank accounts and other essential documents including minutes and nomination certificates.

21.4. NATIONAL DEPUTY- CHAIRPERSON

The Deputy Chairperson shall deputize the Chairperson in his/her absence or upon such delegation of duties by the National Chairperson or the NEC.

21.5. NATIONAL SECRETARY GENERAL.

The Secretary General shall be responsible and in-charge of party management and the National Secretariat. He/she shall remain the accounting officer of the accounts of the party and transactions for each financial year according to the Political Party's Act. He/she shall act as the official spokesperson and also shall communicate the official decisions of the national structures of the party on behalf of the NEC. Be the party's custodian of legal documents. Ensure statutory compliance and issue notices. Carry out all official correspondences, communication & publicity on behalf of the party either through letters on official letterhead, text messages, social media statements on official platforms and official email addresses. The departments within the party shall report their activities and be accountable directly to the Secretary General. Perform such duties and functions as are inherent in or customary to the office of the Secretary General of a political party.

Thereon under the direction of the NEC, the Secretary General shall recommend three persons with qualifications as set out by the NEC for appointment as Executive Director or Deputy Executive Director. Shall ensure that all meetings including NEC, NGC and NDC take place as provided for in the constitution and at such time as may be decided by the NEC.

Shall keep or cause to be kept a proper record of minutes of all meetings – NDC, NGC, and NEC, ensure the distribution of such minutes to persons or branches concerned, implement the decisions of the various organs of the party and make sure that the party is operating in line with the political parties' act 2011. The Secretary General shall append his/her mandatory signature to all party Correspondences, Minutes, Bank accounts, other essential documents including Nomination Certificates and party agreements.

21.6. DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL.

The Deputy Secretary General shall deputize for the Secretary General and perform specific duties as shall be assigned by the National Executive Committee. Shall assume all other duties and act in the absence of the Secretary General.

21.7. NATIONAL TREASURER.

The National Treasurer shall supervise Party financial records at all Party levels under the directions of the National Executive Committee. Shall prepare and submit to the National Executive Committee a financial statement every quarter of the year and shall ensure that copies of duly audited Annual Accounts are circulated to all delegates at the same time the notice convening the National Delegates Congress. He/she will be a signatory to the party accounts and other party essential documents where necessary.

21.8. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL TREASURER.

The Deputy National Treasurer shall assist the National Treasurer in all duties and shall assume such duties and act in his/her absence.

21.9. NATIONAL ORGANISING SECRETARY.

The National Organizing Secretary shall be responsible for the recruitment of Party members and coordinate all Congresses in consultation with National Executive Committee, and advise the National Executive Committee on all activities of the Congresses. He/She shall be an alternate signature to any party bank accounts.

21.10. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL ORGANISING SECRETARY.

The Deputy National Organizing Secretary shall assist the National Organizing Secretary in all functions and shall assume such functions and acting in his/her absence.



21.11. THE NATIONAL WOMEN CONGRESS LEADER.

The National women Congress Leader shall be responsible for the formation of women Congresses' in the party and shall oversee all women activities and programs through the party organs and advice the NEC on women activities and programs. She will be the women congress National Leader in the NEC.

21. 12. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL WOMEN LEADER.

The Deputy National Women leader shall assist the national women congress leader in all functions and shall assume such functions and acting in his/her absence.

21.13. THE NATIONAL YOUTH CONGRESS LEADER.

The National Youth Leader shall be responsible for the formation of all youth Congresses in the party and shall oversee the implementation of the youth activities. He/she shall advise the NEC on youth activities and programs. She/he will be the Youth Congress National Leader in the NEC.

21.14. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL YOUTH CONGRESS LEADER.

The Deputy National youth congress leader shall assist the National youth congress leader in all functions and shall assume such functions and acting in his/her absence.

21.15. THE NATIONAL PERSONS WITH DISABILITY CONGRESS LEADER.

The National Persons with Disability Congress Leader shall be responsible for the persons with disability/special group's activities and programs. Shall advise the party on how best it can address their needs and the best way to involve them in the party leadership. She/he will be the persons with disability/special group's congress National Leader in the NEC.

21.16. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL PERSONS WITH DISABILITY CONGRESS LEADER.

The Deputy National persons with disability congress leader shall assist the National persons with disability congress leader in all functions and shall assume such functions and acting in his/her absence.

21.17. THE SECRETARY INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY.

He/she shall handle the information dissemination and publicity matters on behalf of the party as approved by NEC or other delegated functions.

21.18. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY.

The deputy shall assist in the absence of the substantive official.

21.19. SECRETARY LEGAL AFFAIRS (I)

He/she shall handle and advice the party on legal matters within the law.

21.20. SECRETARY LEGAL AFFAIRS (II)

He/she shall handle and advice the party on legal matters within the law.

21.21. SECRETARY FOR ELECTIONS.

He/she shall be the automatic Chairperson of the National Elections Board (NEB) which shall be constituted by NEC. He/she shall ensure that NEB organizes and supervises free and fair party's nominations processes. He/she must make sure candidates are faithful to the party's code of conduct and adhere to its constitution. He/she shall be an authorized signatory to all the party nomination certificates.

21.22. DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR ELECTIONS.

The deputy shall assist in the absence of the substantive official.

21.23. SECRETARY FOR ELDERS AFFAIRS.

Shall be the head of the elder's council and the Chief advisor to the National Governing Council.

21.24. MAIN DUTIES OF NON-ELECTED NATIONAL OFFICIALS SHALL BE:

21.24.1 NATIONAL SECRETARIAT

There shall be a National Secretariat at the Party headquarters, which shall be the civil service of the Party with employees who shall be guided by Party Service Code. The National Secretariat shall be supervised by the Executive Director.

The main duties of the National Secretariat shall be management of Party operations, implementation of Party decisions and processing of clearance of candidates for party and General Elections. In addition, the National Secretariat shall carry out other duties as may be directed by the National Executive Committee or assigned by the Secretary General.

The National Secretariat shall appoint officers in charge of departments and support staff to service departments as well as other organs of the Party with the approval of the NEC. The National Secretariat shall establish Branches and Sub-branches countrywide and oversee operations of the Branches and Sub-Banches Secretariats in consultation with the National Executive Committee.

National Executive Committee may terminate services of an employee for gross misconduct following the proper dismissal proses according to the employment act and the party constitution. The aggrieved employee shall have the right to appeal to National Executive Committee within seven days from the date of dismissal.

All County Coordinators shall be part of the civil service of the party. Any civil servant of the party wishing to join politics must immediately resign after approval and having gotten the nomination certificate to represent the party in an election.

The secretariat shall keep a list of the political party management structure of the party and systems to be documented at the party offices including; the employee's details and terms of employment, the party human resource, financial, audit, administration, management policies, procedures and the party sub-branches within each county.

21.24.2. COMMITTEE SECRETARIES.

National Executive Committee shall appoint the Committee of Secretaries from specific areas of profession who shall be responsible for party affairs relating to Government Ministries and/or Departments as shall be assigned by National Executive Committee. The Secretaries as stated hereunder shall work in liaison with the Secretary General.

- a) Secretary for International Affairs.
- b) Secretary for Budget and Finance.
- c) Secretary for Public Policy and Economic Affairs.
- d) Secretary for Intelligentsia, Research, and Academic Affairs.
- e) Secretary for Culture and Religious Affairs.
- f) Secretary for Labour and Trade Union Affairs.
- g) Secretary for Gender Parity Development.
- h) Secretary for Communication and Digital Platforms.
- i) Secretary for Welfare and Charity Affairs.
- j) Secretary for Youth and Sports.

National Executive Committee shall from time to time at its own discretion create other positions and may abolish any such positions as it may be deemed necessary.

Appointees shall hold office for five years and may be re-appointed at the expiry of the term.

21.24.3. FINANCE COMMITTEE

The National Executive Committee shall appoint a Finance Committee of five to fifteen members including the National Treasurer or his/her Deputy as an alternate member. The appointed members shall elect the Chairperson and Secretary among themselves. The Committee shall work closely with the National Executive Committee and will be responsible for financial resource mobilization and any other support for the party among other responsibilities including making recommendations to the NEC, on the percentage of funds generated from the branches, which should remain in such branches, and the percentage which should be sent to the headquarters of the party, and vice versa. The members shall be in office for five years and may be reappointed at the expiry of the term.

21.24.4. PARITY DEVELOPMENT BUREAU

National Executive Committee shall appoint representatives to Parity Development Bureau which shall consist of two members- a woman and a man from each region according to the former provinces of Kenya. Persons with Disabilities will be encouraged. The bureau shall be chaired by the Secretary in charge of Gender Parity Development.

Pursuance to party's objective of equitable representation, the party shall all times encourage people with disabilities to participate in elective and non-elective party positions.

The Bureau shall be responsible for: -

- a) Implementation of party policies on persons with disabilities and gender issues. It shall, in particular, ascertain that affirmative action programmes are effective in addressing gender imbalances in society.
- b) Ensuring that at least one-third of delegates to other party organs shall be persons with disabilities where possible.

Appointees shall hold office for five years and may be re-appointed at expiry of their term.

ARTICLE 22: ORGANISATION OF CONGRESSES:

- 22.1.** Congresses shall be formed by the National Leaders of the special groups in consultation with the National Executive Committee.

- 22.2.** The main purpose of these Congresses shall be to enhance and strengthen the position of their members in the mainstream Party management and to deal with and address themselves to all matters that will enhance their cause.
- 22.3.** The Congresses shall mobilize their members to support the Party, promote leadership development and income generating activities, and carry out civic education and any other activities which promote them in social, economic and political development.
- 22.4.** Each Congress shall constitute membership groups from every polling stations, Ward, Sub-branch/Constituencies, Branch/County to National level. Elections shall be by simple majority, acclamation, consensus or secret ballot whichever is agreeable by members. The congresses shall elect an eleven member Committee who shall coordinate party activities at each level. The Branch Committees for each Congress shall meet and elect two National Committee Members from each County to co-ordinate activities at the national level.
- 22.5.** Programs, timetables for activities/ meetings and election dates shall be drawn by each Congress in consultation with the Secretary General.
- 22.6.** All Congresses shall be represented in the mainstream Party management by the National Congress Leaders for each group who will sit as members of the NEC.

22.7 The composition of membership to the congresses shall be:

22.7.1. UZALENDO WOMEN CONGRESS.

Party female members shall be eligible to join this Congress. The Congress may admit male counterparts as co-opted members.

22.7.2. UZALENDO YOUTH CONGRESS.

Party members over the age of eighteen to thirty-five years shall be eligible to join this Congress. However, for the purposes of succession and experience, one can be allowed to hold office up to thirty-seven years. The leadership of Uzalendo Youth Congress shall be shared on 50:50 ratio between males and females at all levels.

22.7.3 UZALENDO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES CONGRESS

Party members with disabilities shall be eligible to join this Congress.

22.7.4 UZALENDO ELDERS CONGRESS:

- a)** There shall be the Uzalendo Elders Congress whose composition shall be made of senior citizens above 55 years and are staunch members of the Party.
- b)** The congress shall consist of Chairperson, Secretary and at least 10 members representing various categories of National diversity.
- c)** The Congress shall have branches at County and Constituency levels and shall carry out duties and functions as mandated by the NEC.
- d)** The Congress shall meet annually.
- e)** The Congress shall be represented in the NDC by one elder to be appointed in a joint elder meeting of the 47 counties.

ARTICLE 23: FINANCE:

23.1 The financial year of the Party shall be the exact calendar year of government.

23.2 The National Executive Committee shall establish rules (and regulations) governing the collection, management and expenditure of funds. All withdrawals shall be against expenditures in the proposed budgets by the management committee and tabled before the National Executive Committee.

It's prohibited to distribute party funds amongst members for personal use except where allowed by law.

23.3 The Party shall operate Account(s) with local Bank(s) according to resolutions and modalities identified by the National Executive Committee.

23.4. THE SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR THE PARTY:

The source of funds to the party shall be as follows:

23.4.1 Membership Fees shall be Kshs.50 and renewable/up-dated annually for ordinary membership, payable every beginning of the year (January each year) and Kshs. 10,000 for life membership but renewable annually for a-half the amount paid originally. For cooperate/Associate members, they will be required to pay Kshs. 10,000 annually.



23.4.2 Net income from Publications and Consultancies.

23.4.3 Contributions from Party Members of Parliament, Senate and County Government at 5% of their salaries.

23.4.4 Grants, subventions, contracts, donations and legacies accepted by the NEC on Behalf of the party.

23.4.5 Revenue from capital investments.

23.4.6. The NDC may review the membership contributions and introduce other sources of funds in line with the party constitution and the Kenya constitution.

23.4.7. Lottery and Gaming Funds.

23.4.8. Uzalendo Leadership Apprenticeship Institute.

23.4.9. Chama Cha Uzalendo Foundation.

23.4.10. Chama Cha Uzalendo Sacco Ltd.

ARTICLE 24: EXPENDITURE AND AUTHORIZED OFFICIALS:

The funds shall be used for party activities and expenses e.g. rents, salaries, debts, traveling and subsistence allowances, administration cost, stationary, publications, advertisements, promotional materials, mobilization and coordination, meetings, media and publication, accommodation, membership recruitment, communication, fundraising cost and transport reimbursement for party activities.

- 24.1.** A sum of not more than Ksh. 100,000 shall be kept by the accounts officer at the secretariat and administered under the direction of the Executive Director and approval by the Secretary General. Proper accounts shall be kept and the petty cash must operate an impress system.
- 24.2.** The authorized bank signatories shall be six (6); the N/Chairperson, Secretary General (Mandatory), and N/Treasurer. The Party Leader, N/Organizing Secretary and the Executive Director will only act as substitute signatories.
- 24.3.** Withdrawals from Bank shall be made by any two or three signatories, the National Chairperson, Secretary General (compulsory) and National Treasurer. In the absence of any of them, any of the substitute's signatories shall sign.
- 24.4.** In order to conform to the political parties act the center for holding the party's generated income will be the national account for the purposes of auditing by

the auditor general. Branches will be serviced from the head office through the process of reimbursement.

- 24.5.** The party and bodies created by it shall not incur expenditure in excess of the funds at their disposal.
- 24.6.** Audited annual Accounts, financial statements shall be signed by the Party Leader, Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary General. Where necessary an alternate signatory can sign.
- 24.7.** Nomination certificates and nomination papers shall be signed by the N/Chairperson, Secretary General, and the National Elections Board Chairman.
- 24.8.** The Life membership certificates shall be signed by the Party Leader, National Chairperson and Secretary General.

ARTICLE 25: AUDITOR:

- 25.1** The Party shall appoint or re-appoint an Auditor at the Annual Delegates Congress. All Party Accounts, Records and Documents shall be open to inspection by the Auditor/s at any time. The Treasurer shall produce and submit audited Accounts made up to date, which shall not be less than 6 weeks and not more than 3 months before the date of the National Delegates Congress.
- 25.2** The Auditor/s shall be paid such Honorarium for his/her duties as may be approved by the National Executive Committee.
- 25.3** The Auditor/s shall not be an office bearer or a member of any Committee of the Party.

ARTICLE 26: TRUSTEES:

- 26.1** There shall be 3 Trustees to be appointed by the NEC and ratified by National Delegates Congress one of whom shall be the Secretary and who shall be the official signatory of all boards of trustee's documents.
- 26.2** Any land, buildings and other immovable property investments and securities that may be acquired by the party shall be vested in the names of the trustees.
- 26.3** The trustees shall be appointed for a period of six years and none of them shall be removed from office except on the following grounds:



- I. Voluntary resignation and in writing
- II. Bankruptcy; and
- III. If a motion calling for his removal is passed by a two-thirds of the National Delegates congress.

26.4 The quorum necessary to transact business by trustees shall be two (2) trustees personally present.

26.5 The trustees shall pay all income received from property vested in the trustees to the party treasurer. Any expenditure in respect of such property, investment or securities which, in the opinion of the trustees is necessary or desirable shall be reported to the NEC which will authorize expenditure of such money as it deems fit.

27.6. The party can also make investments through its own registered company.

ARTICLE 27: THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS BOARD:

27.1 The NEC shall appoint the National Elections Board (NEB) consisting of 9 commissioners whose task will be to manage all elective and nominative positions on the party ticket on behalf of the NEC. The specific duties of the NEB shall be:

- a) To manage the nomination process for all elections as directed by the constitution, including relevant announcements, vetting and approval of candidates; making provisions for all balloting materials and polling physical and human resources, counting of ballot papers and the effective supervision of the counting of votes; establishing procedures for voting and to determine any dispute raised in regard to elections and election procedures, and to determine how any tied vote should be resolved.
- b) To conduct research and gather intelligence on the strength of the party and effect any such appropriate measures that will ensure maximum gains to the party.
- c) To design programs of mass education and communication using all appropriate channels and media to ensure that the party's position and profile are enhanced in society.
- d) To hire and supervise all temporary party staff in consultation with the party secretariat.
- e) To produce any such documents as NEC may direct.



27.2. The NEB members will serve for a period of 5 years.

27.3. The NEB, at their first meeting, shall elect a Secretary from amongst themselves and may assign any of its members to carry out any such tasks as may from time to time be necessary. The Secretary of Elections in the NEC shall automatically be the Chairperson National Elections Board (NEB).

27.4. The NEC shall determine the emoluments of NEB.

27.5. The NEB may develop, for ratification by NEC, rules for nomination of candidates for Party and National elections.

27.6. The NEB shall carry out thorough political mapping in advance on party candidates before nomination to avoid mischievous nomination and waste of funds assisted by the secretariat.

27.7. The Party shall nominate candidates for the Presidential, Parliamentary, governor, senator, women representative and ward representative elections in the country through the NEB. The candidates shall be life members of the party at the time of nominations.

27.8. The quorum to transact business shall be 1/3 of the members and decision shall be by majority of members present.

27.9. NEB shall put in place mechanisms to protect the rights, welfare and duties of party or candidate's agents at all polling stations during nominations and elections period by putting proper guidelines on all agent's management and entitled remuneration packages.

Article 28: PARLIAMENTARY AND COUNTY LEADERS GROUPS:

28.1 The Party Parliamentary and county leaders Group will comprise of all the Party Members of Parliament and County Government.

28.2 There, shall be Party Parliamentary group comprising of the National Assembly members and the Senate who shall elect their Chairperson and a Chief Whip for purposes of party caucusing at the beginning of their term.

28.3 There, shall be Party County group comprising of the County Assembly members and the Governors who shall elect their Chairperson and a Chief Whip for purposes of party caucusing at the beginning of their term.

28.4 The Parliamentary/Senate and County/Governors' leaders Group shall be answerable to National Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 29: AFILIATIONS, ALLIANCES, MERGERS AND COALITIONS;

- 29.1.** Chama Cha Uzalendo may form alliances or coalitions as provided by the political parties act 2011 section 10 (10) and third (3) schedule with other political Parties with like minds, national and international (diaspora). The resolution to commit or terminate an alliance, pre-election or post- election coalitions shall be determined by two third 2/3 of the National Executive Committee. The instrument of the coalitions shall bear the signature of the National Chairperson and the Secretary General and shall be sealed accordingly.
- 29.2.** The Party shall merge with another political party unless the merger is in accordance with the constitution, rules and procedures of the party. The process shall be in accordance to the Political Parties Act 2011 section 11 (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) and (7). The merger shall be approved by 2/3 of the party's National Delegate's Conference according to the proposal suggested from the NEC of the party. The instrument of the merger shall bear the signature of the National Chairperson and the Secretary General and shall be sealed accordingly.

ARTICLE 30: INSTITUTIONS FOR LINKAGES, COLLABORATION AND SUPPORT.

30.1. The National Executive Committee may establish a Party Institute whose aims and objectives will be to carry out research, capacity building and trainings on various policy issues dealing with good governance, human rights, accountability, transparency patriotism, peace, equality, security, foreign policies, financial and economic policies and strategic studies.

30.2. The Institute may organize international conferences on matters of democracy, liberty, peace, security, equality, foreign policy, development and strategic studies.

30.3. The Institute may in conjunction with other established centres undertake consultancies on issues of human development.



30.4. The Institute shall be self-financing through consultancy fees, donations, subventions, sales of publications and any other means of raising money, however the party shall have the oversight role over the activities of the institute.

30.5. The Institute may offer memberships, fellowships and honours to individuals and organizations that will have distinguished themselves in the areas the Institute has been established to research on.

30.6. The Institute will work closely with local universities, centres for research, professional organizations, religious groups and business groups involved in research for betterment of humankind with the objective of translating the “ivory tower” research findings to benefit the masses in their struggle to uplift standards of living.

30.7. The Institute will award internal certificates to those who will participate in specialized management training programmes.

ARTICLE 31: THE PARTY SEAL:

The party shall have a party seal in the custody of the Secretary General. The class of contracts to be sealed shall be determined from time to time by the NEC.

ARTICLE 32: DISCIPLINE:

32.1 All members without exception must abide by the Constitution of C.C.U the Articles, the Standing Orders and Code of Conduct as adopted and amended from time to time. Any official or member of the party can be disciplined on grounds of violation of the party constitution, National Constitution, and any other written laws, gross misconduct, Insubordinations, absenteeism from meeting without reasonable explanation, misconduct and disorderliness during meetings or elsewhere. The sanctions and penalties imposed shall include the following; fines, reprimand, suspension, expulsion, dismissal from office, and any other measures that may be determined by the NEC.

32.2 The NEC shall have the powers to appoint seven members of the disciplinary committee and shall have the powers to replace and appoint new members as it deems necessary. The appointment has to be supported by 2/3 majority of the full NEC.

32.3 The Members to be appointed to the disciplinary committee must be party members and shall not be members of the NEC.

32.4 The disciplinary committee shall handle disciplinary matters involving any member or officials of C.C.U to be chaired by one elected among the members of the disciplinary committee.

- 32.5 The disciplinary committee will use the principle of natural justice and fair hearing in its execution of their mandate and the affected individuals shall be given a fair chance to defend themselves.
- 32.6 Decisions by the disciplinary committee could be appealed by the affected individual (s) to the NEC within seven days before the NEC affirms or vary the decision of the Disciplinary committee. The NEC shall have powers to suspend or expel a member as per the recommendation of the disciplinary committee and the NECs decision shall be final.
- 32.7 The decisions as to which cases should be forwarded to the disciplinary committee will be made by NEC, and if emanating from a branch a written memorandum will have to be submitted to NEC specifying the charges in question and reasons why a member should be disciplined.
- 32.8 All disciplinary issues in the party shall be handled by the NEC through the disciplinary committee.

ARTICLE 33: DISPUTES RESOLUTIONS:

Any dispute, including the interpretation of this Constitution, disputes between members or between the Party and its members, shall be adjudicated through a dispute resolution committee. The members of the committee shall be appointed by the NEC from time to time, as the need arises. However, Criminal activities by members shall follow the disciplinary process as stipulated in this constitution, due process of the Kenyan law and as stipulated in chapter six of the constitution and the political parties' act 2011 and the elections act.

ARTICLE 34: PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS:

The party may own and operate a printing press and may have an interest or shares in any existing printing press; and the party may publish its own literature, periodicals, magazines, pamphlets, books etc.

ARTICLE 35: INSPECTION OF ACCOUNTS AND LIST OF MEMBERS:

The books of accounts and all documents related thereto and the list of members of the party shall be available for inspection at the registered office of the party by any officer or members of the party on giving not less than seven days' notice in writing at a fee to be determined by the NEC.

ARTICLE 36: PARTY MANIFESTO AND POLICIES:

- 36.1 Chama Cha Uzalendo shall devise a manifesto which will have the vision, mission, programs and strategies of achieving the goals of the Party.
- 36.2. The Manifesto shall be revised at least once every five years or as may be decided upon by the NEC.

ARTICLE 37: ARTICLES AND REGULATIONS:

- 37.1.** The NEC shall have the power to adopt Articles and regulations for the better carrying out of the activities of C.C.U.
- 37.2** The County Party Forum shall adopt articles and Regulations through the NEC for the better functioning of C.C.U in their respective Counties.
- 37.3.** All such Articles and Regulations shall be consistent with the Constitutional Norms of C.C.U, and the Articles and Regulations framed by these organs shall only become operative when approved by NEC.
- 37.4.** The NEC shall have the power to frame a Code of Conduct and regulations to cover all structures, officials, public representatives, office bearers and members.

ARTICLE 38: SUCCESSION:

Chama Cha Uzalendo shall have perpetual succession and power, apart from its individual members, to acquire, hold and alienate property, enter into agreements and do all things necessary to carry out its aims and objectives and defend its members, its property and its reputation.

ARTICLE 39: AMMENDMENTS:

- 39.1** Any amendments to this constitution shall be by a two- thirds majority of the Delegates present by voting during an ordinary or special NDC. Notice of intent to propose any amendments to the Constitution should be forwarded to the Office of the Secretary-General at least three months before the Ordinary or Special Congress. The NEC shall provide 21 days' notice for any Constitutional Amendment/s.
- 39.2** Amendments to the constitution of the party must be approved by at least two thirds 2/3 of the NDC with the consent in writing to the registrar of political parties obtained upon application made to him/her in writing by the Party Leader, The Chairman, Secretary General and the Treasurer.

Article 40: TRANSITION:

- 40.1.** Any official who was holding or acting as an official in the CCU at the National and County level, shall, subject to any process that had been initiated in the former constitution continue to hold or act in such office for the reminder of their term.

- 40.2.** Any former official who had been removed from office under the former constitution shall not hold or assume office by virtue of this constitution.
- 40.3.** Any disciplinary/dispute that had been initiated before the commencement of this constitution, shall be heard and resolved under the provisions of the former constitution.
- 40.4.** This constitution shall come in to force immediately after its submission and approval by the registrar of political parties.

Article 41: DISSOLUTION:

The Party may be dissolved by a decision of two-thirds majority of members during a Special Session of the NDC, called expressly for the purposes of Dissolution. All properties and funds of the Party shall be distributed as per resolution of the NDC. After settling all liabilities of the party.

The party shall not be dissolved except by a resolution passed at a general meeting of members by a vote of two-thirds of the NDC membership. Rule 17.3 shall not apply on the quorum at the meeting on issues of dissolution. If no quorum is obtained, the proposal to dissolve the party shall be submitted to a further general meeting, which shall be held one month later. Notice of this meeting shall be given to all members of the party at least 14 days before the date of the meeting.

The quorum for this second meeting shall be the number of members present. Provided, however, that no dissolution shall be affected without prior permission in writing of the Registrar of political parties, obtained upon application to him made in writing and signed by four of party authorized officials.

When the dissolution of the party has been approved by the Registrar, no further action shall be taken by the committee or any office bearer of the party in connection with the aims of the party other than to get in and liquidate for cash all assets of the party. Subject to the payment of all the debts of the party, the balance thereof shall be distributed in such other manner as may be resolved by the meeting at which the resolution for dissolution is passed.

SIGNED:

This..... Day month of..... 20.....

The Party Leader.....
(NAME, ID No. SIGNATURE)

The National Chairperson/Deputy Chairperson.....
(NAME, ID No. SIGNATURE)

The Secretary General

(NAME, ID No. SIGNATURE)

Witnessed By Commissioner for Oaths (STAMP)

Party Stamp & Seal

TO BE DELVERED TO THE REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES.