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Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation of the

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, INC.

**(under Section 803 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law)
State of New York**

1. International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., is a religious corporation organized under Article 10 of the Religious Corporation Law of the State of New York.
2. The Certificate of Incorporation was filed with the Clerk of the County of New York, according to the Religious Corporation Law, Article 2 Section 3, on July 19th, 1966.
3. The Certificate of Incorporation was subsequently filed with the Clerk of the County of Nassau on January 3rd, 2005, according to the Religious Corporation Law, Article 2 Section 3. The file number is NC05000001.
4. The Section Fourth of the Certificate of Incorporation will read the same as in the original Certificate of Incorporation as subscribed on July 13th, 1966. No amendment or change of this section since then is recognized. Any change or amendment to this section, executed since then, is hereby annulled and reversed.
5. The Section Sixth of the Certificate of Incorporation is hereby amended to read as follows:
"SIXTH: The principal place of worship of this society is located at 197 South Ocean Avenue, Freeport, New York, USA 11520."
6. The following sections are added to the Certificate of Incorporation (Section Twelfth, page 2 to Section Twenty Third, page 10):
"TWELFTH: The document "Constitution of Association" (Annexure A) adopted on August 8th, 1966, at the 1st meeting of the

board of trustees of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., held at 26 2nd Avenue, N.Y., N.Y., (Ref: Annexure B, item 2) is the Constitution of the Society. This document explains in detail the objectives of the society.

THIRTEENTH: It is declared that **His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada** is the Founder & Acharya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc. He is the Supreme Authority in all matters of the society. His position cannot be occupied by anyone else, and his name and title must appear on all documents, letterheads, publications, and buildings of the Society (Ref: Annexure C, Para 1). The word "Acharya" is explained in Caitanya Caritamrita, Adi Lila, 1.47, purport by His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada (Annexure D).

FOURTEENTH: General Body Commission (GBC)

- a. There shall be a Governing Body Commission (GBC) of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., elected according to the document Direction of Management dated July 28, 1970. GBC is to act as the instrument for the execution of the will of His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. (Ref: Annexure C, Para 2)
- b. The function of the GBC and the guidelines governing the GBC are as stated in the section "PARTICULARS OF THE GOVERNING BODY COMMISSION" in the document Direction of Management dated July 28, 1970 (Annexure E).

FIFTEENTH: Branches/Affiliations

- a. Religious or non-profit foreign corporations, named International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., may be registered in the respective states in USA, by the permission of the GBC. These foreign corporations, including any existing ones, shall be known as BRANCHES of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Incorporated in the State of New York. (Ref: Srila Prabhupada - *"This institution is already incorporated in New York State, and we are opening different branches under different states"* Annexure F). Each of these corporations may conduct various independent

operations, to further the purposes of the Society, including maintain Temples.

- b. Religious or non-profit domestic corporations, named International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., may be incorporated in the respective states by adopting or, if already existing, amending their Certificate of Incorporation (or equal document) to be made to be the same as the Certificate of Incorporation of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., N.Y., including this Certificate of Amendment - but adapted it to the local laws. These corporations will be known as AFFILIATES. Each of these corporations may conduct various independent operations, to further the purposes of the Society, including maintain Temples.
- c. Any organization, whether or not named International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., whether in the State of New York, in the United States of America or in any other country in the world, who wish to be AFFILIATED with International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., may do so by adopting or amending their Certificate of Incorporation (or equal document) to be made to be the same to the Certificate of Incorporation of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., N.Y., including this Certificate of Amendment-adapting it to the local laws (Ref: Annexure G). These organizations will be known as AFFILIATES. Each of these organizations may conduct various independent operations, to further the purposes of the Society, including maintain Temples.
- d. GBC shall authorize and be the final judge of which organizations constitute to be bona-fide BRANCHES and AFFILIATES of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc. GBC will maintain a list of such organizations including a list of the Temples maintained by such organizations.
- e. This list of authorized Temples will be used, by the GBC, to conduct regular elections, to elect a new GBC, as mandated in the document Direction of Management dated July 28, 1970 (Ref: Annexure E, Para 2-4, Section-Particulars of the GBC). The GBC may, from time to time, amend the detailed

rules of the elections, to conduct the elections in a smooth manner. At such time when there remain no active GBC members, as at this time of Amendment, February 13th, 2005, the trustees of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., N.Y., shall prepare a list of organizations which constitute to be bona-fide BRANCHES and AFFILIATES of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc. and the Temples maintained by such, and conduct a special election to elect the GBC.

- f. The association of AFFILIATED organizations and the various BRANCHES of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., is generally known as International Society for Krishna Consciousness, or its acronym ISKCON, as coined and used by the Founder-Acharya Srila Prabhupada since 1966. *"ISKCON is the short cut of our society's name"*- Srila Prabhupada (Ref: Annexure G).

SIXTEENTH: Temples and Temple Presidents

- a. **Temples:** The Society maintains Temples, to further propagate the seven purposes of the Society - mentioned in Section Two of the Certificate of Incorporation- in the State of New York and in the United States of America.
- b. **Temple Presidents:** Each temple of the Society is managed by a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Temple President conducts the whole affairs of the temple. For new temples, the Temple President is decided amongst the beginning members of the temple in consultation with the GBC. If there are no other members, he is automatically recognized as the Temple President. For existing temples, the Temple President is not to be changed, in principle. He can only be changed by the vote of the temple members, the election being conducted by the GBC (Ref: Annexure E, Para 8, Section-Particulars of the GBC).
- c. **Relationship of Temple and Temple President with GBC:**
The following excerpt from a letter sent by Srila Prabhupada, to "All the Temple Presidents" on April 22nd, 1972 (Annexure H), is the guiding principle -

"The formula for ISKCON organization is very simple and can be understood by everyone. The world is divided into twelve zones. For each zone there is one zonal secretary appointed by Srila Prabhupada. The zonal secretaries duty is to see that the spiritual principles are being upheld very nicely in all the Temples of his zone. Otherwise each Temple shall be independent and self-supporting. Let every Temple President work according to his own capacity to improve the Krishna Consciousness of his center. So far the practical management is concerned, that is required, but not that we should become too much absorbed in fancy organization. Our business is spiritual life, so whatever organization needs to be done, the Presidents may handle and take advice and assistance from their GBC representative. In this way let the Societies work go on and everyone increase their service at their own creative rate."

- d. **Relationship of Temple and Temple Presidents with the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., N.Y.:**
The trustees and officers of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., N.Y., have jurisdiction only over the principal place of worship. The rules governing this control is laid out in the Bylaws of the corporation. Apart from that, the trustees or officers cannot interfere in any administrative or financial matters of the Temples maintained by a BRANCH. They have no jurisdiction over the BRANCHES. They cannot remove a Temple President of any of the Temples maintained by the corporation and its BRANCHES. The administrative and financial affairs of all Temples will be overseen by the GBC.

SEVENTEENTH: Temple Members

- a. All these principles are fully embraced by our members:
"THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS actively practices these principles:
1) Spreading and propagating individual and universal love throughout the world through the practice of bhakti yoga.
2) Developing bliss in the individual through the rituals and practice of Hinduism under the guidance of a spiritual master (guru).
3) Instilling the Science of God (spiritual knowledge) through the carefully directed study of ancient scriptures.

4) Singing and playing Indian music (instruments provided), dancing, serving prasadam (spiritual food), and hearing the word of Krishna through our acharya and spiritual master, His Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

5) Constructing temples.”

(Ref: Annexure I)

b. Members also accept the seven purposes of the corporation as given in Section SECOND.

c. Apart from the above principles, additional rules are generally required to be recognized as a Temple Member, depending on the local temple situation, and are provided in the Bylaws.

d. Apart from this, all persons living full-time in a Temple and following the principles of an initiated disciple of His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, as outlined in Section NINETEENTH of this Certificate of Amendment Para a) – d), are also to be considered members of the Temple.

EIGHTEENTH: Real Estate Transactions

The following rules, Para a)- Para e), govern any and all real estate transactions. These rules have been instructed by the Founder-Acharya His Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, in the documents, Direction of Management dated July 28, 1970 (Annexure E), Amendment letter dated July 22, 1974 (Annexure D) and The Last Will dated June 4, 1977 (Annexure J).

a. It shall be clearly understood that no real estate may be purchased by any officer of the Society without the express permission of the associated GBC member.

b. All real estate property will be bought in the name of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc.

c. Each property will be managed by three Executive Directors.

d. The GBC of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc. will initially decide on the three Executive Directors from

among the GBC members to be associated with each property. They will be appointed for life. In the event of the death or failure to act for any reason of the said Executive Directors, the outgoing director may resign or be removed, and successor director or directors may be appointed by the remaining directors, provided the new director is an initiated disciple of His Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, following strictly all the rules and regulations of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc, as detailed in his books, and provided that there are never less than three or more than five executive directors acting at one time. For an explanation of "an initiated disciple", please refer to Section NINETEENTH of the Article of Incorporation as stated in this Certificate of Amendment below.

e. Any property of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., in principle, should never be mortgaged, borrowed against, sold, transferred, or in any way encumbered, disposed of, or alienated, by officers or trustees of the Society, but if the need arises, they may be mortgaged, borrowed against, sold, etc. with the written consent of all the Executive Directors associated with the property.

NINETEENTH: Initiated Disciple

To be considered to be an initiated disciple of His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, one needs to be:

- a. Following four regulative principles namely no meat eating, no illicit-sex, no gambling and no intoxication.
- b. Chanting at least 16 rounds of the Hare Krishna Maha-Mantra on the beads.
- c. Accepting His Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada as one's bona-fide Spiritual Master, life after life.
- d. Following the guideline given in the "NOTICE" put up by Srila Prabhupada at 26 Second Avenue, New York, N.Y., on November 25th, 1966 (Annexure K).

- e. Formally initiated by either of the following methods:
 - i. By Srila Prabhupada himself before Nov 14th, 1977.
 - ii. By the system of initiation as detailed by Srila Prabhupada in the letter dated July 9th, 1977(Annexure L). The GBC shall appoint ritviks - representatives of the Acharya, His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, for the purpose of performing initiations. The Temple President shall judge the qualifications of the prospective disciple according to Srila Prabhupada's instructions as detailed in his book, Caitanya Caritamṛta, Madhya Lila, 24.330, purport (Annexure M).

TWENTIETH: BHAKTIVEDANTA BOOK TRUST

- a. His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, the Founder and Acarya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., has transferred copyrights of all of his books to the BHAKTIVEDANTA BOOK TRUST(BBT), a California Trust, executed by an agreement dated May 29th, 1972 (Annexure N)
- b. This corporation, the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., has been designated the beneficiary of this trust. (Ref: Annexure N, Section III Purpose of Trust)
- c. It is the fiduciary duty of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., to make sure that the BBT-Trustees are following the terms of the Trust as laid down by Srila Prabhupada in the Trust agreement of May 29th, 1972, and the California State Law for Trusts.
- d. The list of authorized Temples of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, prepared as mentioned in Section FIFTEENTH of this document, will be provided to the BBT for use in Section IV of the Trust agreement.
- e. All Temples shall follow the directions of Srila Prabhupada with respect to the BBT as given in the following three letters. Letter to All Temple Presidents, April 22, 1972 (Annexure H), Letter dated September 16, 1972 (Annexure O) and Letter to All ISKCON Centers, dated March 14, 1974 (Annexure P).

TWENTY FIRST: ISKCON PRESS

- a. His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, the Founder and Acarya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., has established an ISKCON Press to print his books and Back to Godhead magazines.
- b. Assignments to the ISKCON press will be given by the BBT as per Section IV of the BBT agreement (Annexure N).
- c. The operations of the Press will be managed by the GBC of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc.
- d. The funds for its operation and maintenance will be allocated by the BBT from the Book Fund according to Section of IV of BBT agreement (Annexure N).

TWENTY SECOND: A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Mayapur-Vrindaban Trust Fund

- a. His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, the Founder and Acarya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., has established "A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI MAYAPUR-VRINDABAN TRUST FUND" or, in brief, M-V Trust (Annexure Q).
- b. The Temples in Mayapur and Vrindavan (India) of this corporation, the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., have been designated the beneficiary of this trust. (Ref: Annexure Q, Section III Purpose of Trust)
- c. It is the fiduciary duty of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., to make sure that the M V T-Trustees are following the terms of the Trust as laid down by Srila Prabhupada in the Trust agreement of July, 1971, and the California State Law for Trusts.

TWENTY THIRD: Annexure

- A. Constitution of Association of International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., adopted on August 8, 1966.
- B. Minutes of Meeting of the 1st Board of Trustees, August 8th 1966
- C. Amendment Letter, July 22nd, 1974

- D. Explanation of "Acharya", Caitanya Caritamṛta Adi lila 1.46, purport
- E. Direction of Management of International Society for Krishna Consciousness Inc., dated July 28th, 1970
- F. Letter to Jariwala October 16, 1968; Letter to Brahmananda, August 19th, 1968
- G. Letter of Srila Prabhupada to Mukunda, dated October 1st, 1968
- H. Letter of Srila Prabhupada to All Temple Presidents, April 22nd, 1972
- I. Membership form, 1966
- J. The Last Will of Srila Prabhupada, dated June 4, 1977
- K. Notice for Initiated devotees, November 25, 1966
- L. Formal Initiation letter by Srila Prabhupada dated July 9th, 1977
- M. Qualification of a disciple of Srila Prabhupada, Caitanya Caritamṛta Madhya lila 24.330, purport
- N. BBT Agreement, May 29, 1972
- O. Letter by BBT Trustee, dated September 16, 1972
- P. Letter to All ISKCON Centers, dated March 14, 1974
- Q. A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Mayapur Vrindaban Trust Fund, July 1971"

**END OF ADDITION TO THE CERTIFICATE OF
INCORPORATION: ADDED SECTIONS TWELFTH TO
TWENTIETH**

This Certificate of Amendment (Pages 1-11) was adopted, in a Special Corporate meeting, held, according to Article 6 of Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, on February 13, 2005, at 7.30 pm, at the International Society for Krishna Consciousness temple, 197 S Ocean Ave., Freeport, NY-11520, by a unanimous vote of all the voting members present. A majority of the voting members were present, either personally or by proxy, at the meeting, as required according to Section 802 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law. A list of all voting members of the corporation and a list of voting members present at the meeting,

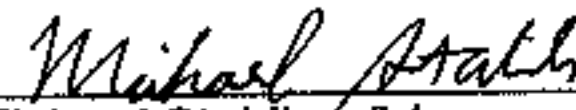
including the proxies, is filed in the corporate minute's book of the corporation.

Due notice was given to call this meeting, as laid out in Section 605 of Not-For-Profit Corporation Law. An affidavit of the President of the Corporation is enclosed attesting to the fact. The written notice and signed waiver-of-notice form is filed in the corporate minute's book of the corporation.


We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we are the duly elected trustees and officers of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., and this is the duly adopted Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation, adopted by a unanimous vote of the voting members present in a corporate meeting held on February 13th, 2005, 7.30 pm, at the International Society for Krishna Consciousness temple at 197 S Ocean Avenue, Freeport, NY, USA – 11520.



Nikhil Gupta a/k/a
Nimai Pandit DasDas
President & Trustee




Michael Stabile a/k/a
Madhvananda Das
Treasurer



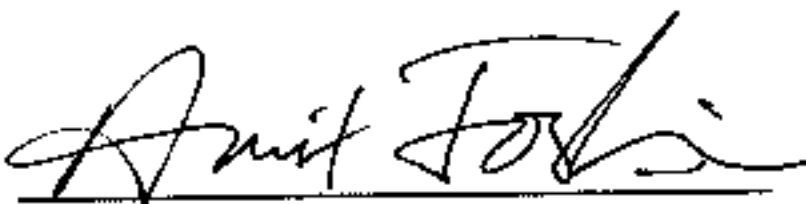
Viswa Garuda a/k/a
Viswa Prana Das
Trustee



Dr. Sanjay Kantu
Trustee



Keesoldath Kowlessar a/k/a
Krishna Smaranam Das
Trustee



Amit Joshi
Trustee


Keesoldath Kowlessar

NOTARIZED ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NASSAU

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the above state and county, personally appeared **Nikhil Gupta** who, being duly sworn, says that he is a duly elected **Trustee and President** of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., a New York religious Corporation, principally located at 197 S Ocean Avenue Freeport NY, and he was acting as such on February 13, 2005 when he signed on the **Amended Certificate of Incorporation** on or about that date. The signature appearing above his name is his.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ^{30th} ~~20th~~ day of October 2007.


Nikhil Gupta

Sworn to before me
this 30th day of
October 2007



DOROTHY LOSQUADRO
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 4736184
Qualified in Nassau County
Commission Expires Jan. 31, 2010

NOTARIZED ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NASSAU

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the above state and county, personally appeared **Michael Stabile** who, being duly sworn, says that he was the duly elected **Treasurer** of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., a New York religious Corporation, principally located at 197 S Ocean Avenue Freeport NY, and was acting as such on February 13, 2005 when he signed on the **Amended Certificate of Incorporation** on or about that date.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of October of 2007.

Michael Stabile
Michael Stabile

Sworn to before me
this 26th day of
October 2007

Dorothy Losquadro

DOROTHY LOSQUADRO
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 4736184
Qualified in Nassau County
Commission Expires Jan. 31, 2010

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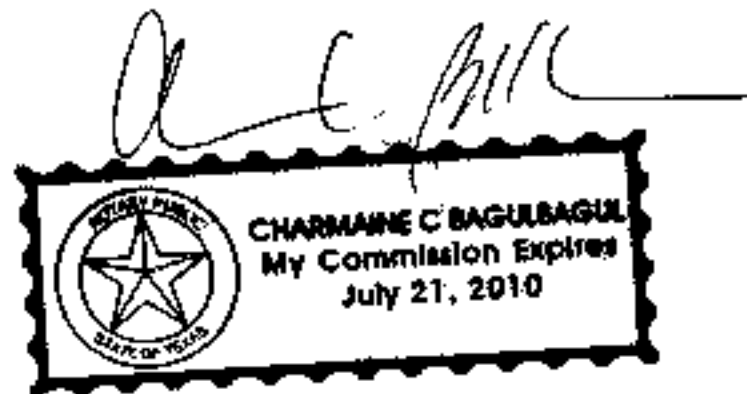
STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Font Bend

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the above state and county, personally appeared **Viswa Garuda** who, being duly sworn, acknowledges that the signature appearing above his name on the document **Amended Certificate of Incorporation** dated February 13, 2005, of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., is his.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of October, 2007.


Viswa Garuda



NOTARIZED ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ~~NASSAU~~ Kings

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the above state and county, personally appeared Dr. Sanjay Kantu who, being duly sworn, says that he is resigning as Trustee of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., a New York religious Corporation, principally located at 197 S Ocean Avenue Freeport NY.

He acknowledges that the signature above his name on the **Amended Certificate of Incorporation dated February 13th, 2005** is his.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of October, 2007.


Dr. Sanjay Kantu

Sworn Before Me this
29th day of October 2007



JANET D. BONAMASSA
NOTARY PUBLIC
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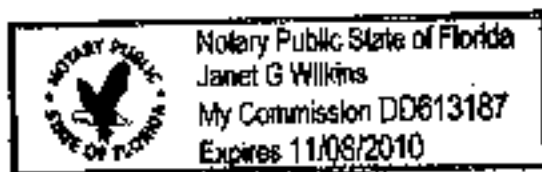
NOTARIZED ACKNOWLEDGMENT**STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ALACHUA**

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the above state and county, personally appeared **Krishna Smaranam Kowlessar** who, being duly sworn, says that he is a duly elected **Trustee** of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., a New York religious Corporation, principally located at 197 S Ocean Avenue Freeport NY.

He acknowledges that the signature appearing above his name on the **Amended Certificate of Incorporation** dated February 13th, 2005 is his.


Krishna Smaranam Kowlessar

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18 day of December, 2007. FL DL# K426-517-54-330-0




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NOTARIZED ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
COUNTY OF New Haven

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the above state and county, personally appeared **Amit Joshi** who, being duly sworn, says that he is a **Trustee** of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc., a New York religious Corporation, principally located at 197 S Ocean Avenue Freeport NY.

He acknowledges that the signature above his name on the **Amended Certificate of Incorporation dated February 13th, 2005** is his.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of ^{November}~~October~~, 2007.


Amit Joshi

Carol B. Cleveland - Notary Public

CAROL B. CLEVELAND
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APR. 30, 2012

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1. The name of the society is The International Society for Krishna Consciousness.
2. The headquarters of the Society are located at Radhakrishna Temple, 26 Second Avenue, New York City, 10003, USA.
3. The objectives for which the Society is being established are:

(A) To educate the greater human society in the techniques of spiritual life as the basis for a balanced psychic and biological development, and thereby achieve for the first time in human society a real peace and unity among the contending forces in the world today.

(B) To propagate the Sense of Godhead, the all attractive Personality of primal and eternal Form, as He Himself revealed in His own words in the Bhagavad Gītā, the Holy Scripture of the Lord Sri Krishna, the Godhead.

(C) To bring together individuals in a Society, regardless of nationality and irrespective of creed or caste, in order to develop a nearness to the Godhead and thereby the idea that within the members and humanity-at-large there is an infinitesimal soul-spirit that is part and parcel in quality with the Godhead, and that all life is meant for the satisfaction of said Godhead, the Supreme Soul.

(D) To encourage the teachings of Lord Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu who demonstrated practically the transcendental process of approaching the absolute Personality of Godhead by His acts of congregational chanting of the holy name of God, a process known as Samkirtan.

(E) To prove by active work and preaching that Lord Sri Krishna is the only enjoyer of all the outcomes of individual and collective sacrifice, penance, meditation, arts, culture, science, because He is the Supreme Proprietor of the whole universe, eternally apart of Him everyone knows

Him as a friend. Real peace can be attained when this is realized, in fact.

(F) To assist whenever and wherever possible in the building of a social structure on the real foundation of spiritual progress and establishment of peace and unity between men throughout the world.

(G) To attempt to save men individually from the chain of victimization the ongoing trend in modern civilization operates by, in the name of ideologies of false sentiment, so that Man may again be a free soul, to act and live freely with spiritual vision. This is possible by individual spiritual initiation, Diksha, when a man can see everything in Godhead and Godhead in everything.

(H) To further toward realization this highest truth as revealed by Lord Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu and the six Goswamins headed by Śrīla Rupa and Sanatana Goswamins.

(I) To have for its objectives amongst the others four principles which the Goswamins had in view. They are the following:

1. To erect a holy place of transcendental pastimes as well as a place where members of the Lord Sri Krishna can flourish.
2. To propagate all over the world in the form of missionaries the process of devotion, the transcendental service to the Godhead, and to make known that this devotional service is the main function of the human being.
3. In order to accomplish this, to adopt proselytizing methods of peaceful means and to establish a broader society of association for all members, including scholars and admirers, to engage in this service as put forth in the Śrīmad Bhagwatam.
4. To install, wherever it is possible, the worship and temple of Radhakrishna and that of Sri Chaitanya, and to give facility to everyone to become trained in the modes of Archan or preparatory principles of devotional service.

(J) To introduce to the members of the Society and humanity-at-large a simpler and more natural purpose in life by means suitable to the particular place and time, and as enjoined in the Bhagavad Gītā.

(K) To organize educational programs, such as classes and lecture tours, and to institute services, such as mailing, for the benefit of the members of the Society and humanity-at-large.

(L) To publish periodicals, books and/or pamphlets in all important languages in order to reach human society and give an opportunity to same to communicate with the Society.

(M) To invoke the quality of goodness particularly in every member of the Society, individually by the process of Diksha and by establishing one in the status of a Brahmin (good and intelligent man) on the basis of truthfulness, knowledge and faith in the transcendental service of the Lord.

(N) Among the secondary objectives of the Society, it shall undertake the following activities:

- 1. To revive the scientific system of social orders of classification based on intelligence, martial spirit, productivity and common assistance, generally known as the four castes with reference to quality and worth for the common cause of world society.**
- 2. To discharge as a matter of course the vitiated system of supremacy of one man over another by false prestige of birthright or vested interests.**
- 3. To popularize the vegetable-grain diet under approved methods in order that full value of protein, carbohydrate, fat and vitamin benefit may be derived therefrom.**
- 4. To discourage intoxicating or addicting habits of all descriptions and dimensions and to expose such persons thus afflicted to approved**

methods of spiritual realization.

A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami, Acharya

Raymond Marais

Michael A. Grant

Robert Lefkowitz

James S. Greene

CONSTITUTION OF ASSOCIATION

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Minutes

1st Meeting of the Trustees of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Held at 26 Second Avenue
August 8, 1966; 9:30 P.M.

Present: Carl Yeargans, Raphael Balsamo, Bob Lefkowitz, James Greene, Raymond Marais--trustees; and A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami and Stanley Zir--members in good standing.

Item 1: Some powers of the trustees:

A. Number of trustees set at nine (9).

B. The trustees may call a meeting of the Society's general membership if they so choose by majority vote.

Item 2: Reading of the Constitution

The Constitution for the Society, drawn up and read by Carl Yeargans, is accepted unanimously by all present.

The Constitution is thereby adopted.

Item 3: More powers of the trustees:

A meeting of three (3) trustees is declared to constitute a quorum, with full authority.

Item 4: Meeting adjourned. Next meeting tentatively scheduled for two weeks from this date, in order to have the benefit of the attendance of all the trustees, to work on rules and regulations.

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Explanation of "Acharya"

Caitanya Caritamṛta, Ādi Līlā, 1.46 (1975 edition)

Purport by His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedānta Swami Prabhupada

The spiritual master is also called ācārya, or a transcendental professor of spiritual science. The Manu-saṁhitā (2.140) explains the duties of an ācārya, describing that a bona fide spiritual master accepts charge of disciples, teaches them the Vedic knowledge with all its intricacies, and gives them their second birth. The ceremony performed to initiate a disciple into the study of spiritual science is called upanīti, or the function that brings one nearer to the spiritual master. One who cannot be brought nearer to a spiritual master cannot have a sacred thread, and thus he is indicated to be a śūdra. The sacred thread on the body of a brāhmaṇa, kṣatriya or vaiśya is a symbol of initiation by the spiritual master; it is worth nothing if worn merely to boast of high parentage. The duty of the spiritual master is to initiate a disciple with the sacred thread ceremony, and after this saṁskāra, or purificatory process, the spiritual master actually begins to teach the disciple about the Vedas. A person born a śūdra is not barred from such spiritual initiation, provided he is approved by the spiritual master, who is duly authorized to award a disciple the right to be a brāhmaṇa if he finds him perfectly qualified.

In the Vāyu Purāṇa an ācārya is defined as one who knows the import of all Vedic literature, explains the purpose of the Vedas, abides by their rules and regulations, and teaches his disciples to act in the same way.

Only out of His immense compassion does the Personality of Godhead reveal Himself as the spiritual master. Therefore in the dealings of an ācārya there are no activities but those of transcendental loving service to the Lord. He is the Supreme Personality of Servitor Godhead. It is worthwhile to take shelter of such a steady devotee, who is called āśraya-vigraha, or the manifestation or form of the Lord of whom one must take shelter.

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Sri B. N. Jariwala
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My Dear Jariwala,

Please accept my blessings. I thank you very much for your kind letter, dated October 14, 1968, and I have noted the contents carefully. The humble service which I am rendering to the American people, in the matter of Krishna Consciousness, is undoubtedly being responded nicely by the American younger generation, and recently we are getting from educational circles also, from the college students and professors good response, so there is good potency for spreading Krishna Consciousness in the western world. And you know that we have got already fifteen branches as follows: New York City; Boston; San Francisco; Vancouver, B.C.; Canada; Honolulu, Hawaii; New Vrindaban, an ideal Krishna Consciousness community; and London, England; and Berlin, Germany. The London branch and the Berlin branch are doing very substantial work, and most probably I shall be going there from America to the European countries.

Regarding your good suggestion about permanent organization, This institution is already incorporated in New York State, and we are opening different branches under different states. So I shall be glad if our Indian friends in San Francisco, also come in the management of the local organization; I welcome it. So I would suggest that in your presence, a committee, may be formed, combination of Indian and American, and a temple of our own may be organized, Radha Krishna Temple. So in your presence, if it possible to organize, I shall be very glad. And as soon as you call me I shall come to San Francisco. Because I have got an engagement in Montreal, from here I shall go there, and from there I can come. This is one point.

Another point is that from India, I am not getting sufficient encouragement, either from the government or from the people. Now you have personally seen my activities and responses from the Americans, and if you kindly organize an Indian branch of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, it will be a great help. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter from Hanuman Prasad Poddar, which is sent to me unsolicited. He appreciated my activities here. And similarly I get many letters from unknown persons, but when I say some practical cooperation, they do not come forward. And so far government is concerned, they are not at all interested, that we have got our svaraja; But Hindus cannot make propagation of their religious activities, even outside of the country we are so much crippled. The Christians and Buddhists, they are making so much propaganda in India, and they are spending lots of money, but here although the response is so nice, there is no help from the people nor from the government. So after returning to India, if you can organize some opinion, at least the Vaisnava sect, in your Gujarat, there are so many Vaisnavas. All over there are so many Vaisnavas. So they

should come forward to cooperate with me, then it will be a very nice organization. We want to establish that one God, Krishna; one scripture, Bhagavad-gita; one mantra Hare Krishna; and one work, service to the Supreme Lord. And people are responding. So please try to cooperate with me. So far government is concerned, they will not cooperate. They have become secular. But even the people do not cooperate, how it will be successful? Please, therefore, try to organize Indian opinion to cooperate with me, that will be a great help. And so long you are here in America, just try to induce our Gujarati friends to cooperate, and have our own temple, at least in San Francisco.

So far the piety of my disciples is concerned, you know they are strictly Vaisnava. They are restricted from illicit sex life, all kinds of intoxication, they do not eat anything except Krishna Prasadam, and they do not participate in any kind of gambling. So far piety is concerned, I think you will find them more advanced than some of our Indian friends. And if our Indians friends will also cooperate in this way, it will be a great success. I thank you very much once more for your nice letter, and appreciation of my activities, and if you kindly cooperate with me, I shall be still more encouraged. Thanking you,

Your ever well-wisher,
A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

Montreal
19 August, 1968
68-08-19

My Dear Brahmananda,

Please accept my blessings. I was duly in receipt of your letter dated 13rd August, 1968, and noted the contents carefully. The London party led by Mukunda and Syamasundara are going today to New York, and from there they will start for London. Please offer them good wishes and a nice send-off so that they can safely reach there and make an attempt for starting a nice temple there. So far Sivananda's affair is concerned, I have asked Mukunda to write to him and he will do the needful, or you can talk with him. And regarding the meeting for future constitutional form of our society, actually it is now needed. So immediately I may not be able to go and meet and they are also in hurry for going to London, but because they will stay for a few days in New York, you can hold a preliminary meeting between yourself, Rayarama, Syamasundara, Mukunda, and if possible, call Rupanuga, Satsvarupa, Kirtanananda Maharaja, because they are nearer. Your suggestion for a committee, and the names you have suggested, just like Jayananda, Subala, Gargamuni, yourself, Rupanuga, Satsvarupa, Kirtanananda, Dayananda, is very nice. In this also, I think Mukunda's name should be also added. Anyway, you can hold a preliminary meeting and make a draft. Then we shall ratify it in our next meeting when I may be also able to participate and do it finally.

Your prayer to Nrsimbhadeva is acting, because I am improving. When I came to USA in December, I feel I am much improved than the position in which I reached USA. And

possibly I can improve more and more, and if Krishna desires, I may be able to work with renewed vigor, although I have stepped on the state of 73 years of my life.

The other day there was nice Janmastami festival, and many Indians participated in the ceremony and they had very good collection. The meeting was very successful. The next day also they held Nandotsav and Vyasa Puja ceremony. That was also very nice. Last night, on Sunday, there was marriage ceremony of Satyabhama and Paramananda. Their parents also came, and it was very nice ceremony.

By the by, I beg to inform you that I have applied for immigrant visa for USA also, and in that connection, I have submitted one letter of appointment signed by Purusottama and by you with my permission here. Similarly, you can send me a letter reading as follows: The letter should be addressed to the Consulate General of the United States of America, 800 Place Victoria, Montreal 3, Quebec, Canada, and the reading matter should be as follows: "Sir, I the undersigned president of the Inter. Soc. for KC beg to state that Swami AC Bhaktivedanta is the appointed Acarya (chief minister of religion) of this institution. This institution is incorporated in NY under the Religious Act number such and such and it has got the following branches all over the country. Mention herein all the 6 branches in USA, namely NY, NM, Boston, SF, Buffalo, LA.

"His presence is very urgently required to transact the religious activities of all the centers, and the society is pleased to provide him for all his expenditures, in the matter of living, expenses, traveling expenses, and the publication of his books. His books are already selling very nicely and one of his books is being published by Mssrs. MacMillan Co. and so personally he has also a nice income, besides from our contribution for his maintenance. So in all circumstances, he will never be public charge. His services are profoundly needed by this religious denomination in the US and he will be simply carrying out the occupation of a minister of this religious institution."

So you send me the above letter signed by you as president along with the photostat copies of certificates which you may have in NY. I have got the original, so if you have not got photostat copies then I shall have to get them here. While signing, just stamp our society's seal which you have got with you.

I have given instruction to Yamuna to write one certificate form and in that connection she may require to see the seal dimension so if she wants to see, you can show or give her an impression of the seal.

Hope you are all well

Your ever wellwisher
ACB

PS. As Jaya Govinda is working on behalf of the Society, I think the letter of guarantee which he has asked for may be sent. What about the Mrdangas and Harmonium from Dwarkin and what about the United Shipping Corp?
Is Kallan affair settled up?

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Seattle
1 October, 1968

London
My Dear Mukunda,

Please accept my blessings. I am glad to receive your letter dated Sept. 26, 1968, and it is very much pleasing to learn about your nice activities there. I am little concerned about your attempt to form ISKCON Ltd. My idea is that we should not form a separate organization in London. The same International Society for Krishna Consciousness as we have branches in different places in USA, a similar branch may be opened in London or in Germany. The basic principle of our preaching work, methods and management must be the same. I do not know why a separate registration is required. To be more clear, I may say that if the management goes to other hands, then it will be difficult for preaching our principles. Our main principle is Krishna Consciousness on the basis of Bhagavad-gita As It Is, and Lord Caitanya's Teachings. So far different participants in London are concerned, they must agree to our principles or they must follow our principles. You should be careful on this point. We cannot agree to make a mixed up association without any authorized principles. So far as Hindus are concerned, they are not fixed up in one principle. Under the circumstances, do not be misled that because some of the Hindus are taking interest in this movement, they are of the same opinion. You have seen the affairs in Montreal. So my final desire is that whatever you do, you must do it strictly on the principles of our society as we are doing in the US. In the management of the London branch, if the local Englishmen come forward, that is welcome. So far Indians are concerned, there are so many varieties of split-up Hindu society. So I hope you will take necessary precautions in the matter of registering ISKCON Ltd. ISKCON is the short cut of our society's name, but when you actually register the full name, the aims and objectives as they are stated in our prospectus, must be mentioned. Anyway, I am so much pleased that your program of Kirtana and Krishna Consciousness is going on well there although you have not got yet our own temple. Why don't you get Back To Godhead from New York? Here the Sankirtana party, headed by Jayananda and Tamala Krishna is doing very nice. They are collecting an average of \$45 daily, as contributions, and selling an average of 100 copies of Back To Godhead. So try to get immediately copies of Back To Godhead from New York and try to sell them in large quantities. That is our backbone. In meantime, our Bhagavad-gita As It Is, and Teachings of Lord Caitanya are also coming out by the end of this month. So Kirtana plus distribution of our books and literature is the basic principle of our success. Even if we do not have our own temple it does not matter, but if we can hold Kirtana 24 hours, and distribute our publications, that is our great success. I have now received one letter from Syamasundara. about the bank affairs, and will reply him shortly. I received also one letter from Malati, and one from Yamuna, which are very nice, and I shall reply them in my next. If there is no immediate program of my going to London, then I may go next either to Los Angeles or Boston. Hope this finds you all alright.

Your ever well-wisher,
A.C. Bhaktivedanta

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Letter to: All Temple Presidents

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Tokyo

22 April, 1972

72-04-22

ALL GLORIES TO SRI GURU AND GAURANGA TO ALL TEMPLE
PRESIDENTS

Dear Prabhus,

Please accept my most worthless obeisances. I am presently in Japan with Srila Prabhupada and we are meeting conjointly with Dai Nippon to organize book production. As a follow up to Srila Prabhupada's letter to all Temple Presidents of April 9, His Divine Grace has instructed me to inform you all of the following:

" The formula for ISKCON organization is very simple and can be understood by everyone. The world is divided into twelve zones. For each zone there is one zonal secretary appointed by Srila Prabhupada. The zonal secretaries duty is to see that the spiritual principles are being upheld very nicely in all the Temples of his zone. Otherwise each Temple shall be independent and self-supporting. Let every Temple President work according to his own capacity to improve the Krishna Consciousness of his center. So far the practical management is concerned, that is required, but not that we should become too much absorbed in fancy organization. Our business is spiritual life, so whatever organization needs to be done, the Presidents may handle and take advice and assistance from their GBC representative. In this way let the Societies work go on and everyone increase their service at their own creative rate. "

Now, so far the BTG and Book Funds are concerned, these matters shall be

managed separately from the GBC by a body known as The Bhaktivedanta Book Trust. The Book Trust shall be comprised of Srila Prabhupada, Karandhara dasa, and Bali Mardan dasa. They shall combinedly collect the sales proceeds from each Center and utilize all funds for the printing of Srila Prabhupada's books and the construction of ISKCON Centers all over the world. Not a farthing is to be spent for any other purpose.

The Book Trust shall see to the printing and distribution to Centers of books and magazines and it will be the serious responsibility of each Temple President to see that the billed amounts for these are paid to the BTG and Book Funds regularly. The billings and collections shall come from and to Los Angeles where Karandhara dasa will collect and keep accounts. We request that everyone will take these formulas to heart and execute them very conscientiously. In this way we shall certainly be successful in pushing on this movement.

All glories to Sri Guru and Gauranga

APPROVED: A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami, Founder-Acarya of ISKCON
Your lowly servant at Prabhupada's lotus feet,

Karandhara dasa Adhikari
c.c. To all ISKCON Temple Presidents



FOUNDER - ACARYA, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

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TO ALL TEMPLE PRESIDENTS

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Now, so far the BTC and Book Funds are concerned, these matters shall be managed separately from the CBC by a body known as The Shaktivedanta Book Trust. The Book Trust shall be comprised of Srila Prabhupada, Karandhar dasa, and Bali Mardan dasa. They shall combinedly collect the sales proceeds from each Center and utilize all funds for the printing of Srila Prabhupada's books and the construction of ISKCON Centers all over the world. Not a farthing is to be spent for any other purpose.

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS INC.
FOUNDER -- ACARYA, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada



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All started to Sri Guru and Gauranga

APPROVED:

A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami
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Founder-Acharya of ISKCON

Your lovely servant at Krschunada's lotus feet,

Krishna dasa Adhikary
Krishna dasa Adhikary

C.C. To all ISKCON Temple Presidents

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ACHARYA: SWAMI A. C. BHAKTIVEDANTA

THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS

actively practices these principles:

- 1) Spreading and propagating individual and universal love throughout the world through the practice of bhakti yoga.
- 2) Developing bliss in the individual through the rituals and practice of Hinduism under the guidance of a spiritual master (guru).
- 3) Instilling the Science of God (spiritual knowledge) through the carefully directed study of ancient scriptures.
- 4) Singing and playing Indian music (instruments provided), dancing, serving prasadam (spiritual food), and hearing the word of Krishna through our acharya and spiritual master, A. C. Bhaktivedanta, Swami.
- 5) Constructing the first Hindu temple in America.

All these principles are fully embraced by our members. One may become a tentative member merely by pledging to attend a meeting at our temple on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday evenings at 7:00 P.M. Mailing in the detached form below will both constitute your pledge to attend and install you as a tentative member by putting you on our mailing list. Our address is: THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, 26 2nd Ave (between 1st and 2nd Streets), New York, N.Y. 10003.

I hereby pledge to attend a meeting on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday evening at 7:00 P.M. thus becoming a tentative member of the INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS and having my name added to the mailing list.

Name (Mr, Mrs, Miss).....
Address.....
City and State.....
Telephone.....

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A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

Founder-Acharya:

International Society for Krishna Consciousness

CENTER: Krsna-Balarama Mandir,
Bhaktivedanta Swami Marg,
Ramanareti, Vrndavana, U. P.

DATE: 4th June, 1977

DECLARATION OF WILL

I, A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, Founder-Acharya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Settlor of the Bhaktivedanta Book Trust, and disciple of Om Visnupada 108 Sri Srimad Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati Goswami Maharaja Prabhupada, presently residing at Sri Krsna-Balarama Mandir in Vrndavana, make this my last Will:

1. The Governing Body Commission (GBC) will be the ultimate managing authority of the entire International Society for Krishna Consciousness.
2. Each temple will be an ISKCON property and will be managed by three executive directors. The system of management will continue as it is now and there is no need of any change.
3. Properties in India will be managed by the following executive directors:
 - a) Properties at Sri Mayapur Dhama, Panihati, Haridaspur and Calcutta: Gurukrupa Swami, Jayapataka Swami, Bhavananda Goswami, and Gopal Krsna das Adhikari.
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 - c) Properties at Bombay: Tamal Krsna Goswami, Giriraj das Brahmachary, and Gopal Krsna das Adhikari.
 - d) Properties at Bhubaneswar: Gour Govinda Swami, Jayapataka Swami, and Bhagawat das Brahmachari.
 - e) Properties at Hyderabad: Mahamsa Swami, Sridhar Swami, Gopal Krsna das Adhikari, and Bali Mardan das Adhikari.

The executive directors who have herein been designated are appointed for life. In the event of death or failure to act for any reason of any of the said directors, a successor director or directors may be appointed by the remaining directors, provided the new director is my initiated disciple following strictly all the rules and regulations of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness as detailed in my books, and provided that there are never less than three (3) or more than five (5) executive directors acting at one time.

4. I have created, developed and organized the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, and as such I hereby will that none of the immovable properties standing in the name of ISKCON in India shall ever be mortgaged, borrowed against, sold, transferred, or in any way encumbered, disposed of, or alienated. This direction is irrevocable.

5. Properties outside of India in principle should never be mortgaged, borrowed against, sold, transferred or in any way encumbered, disposed of, or alienated, but if the need arises, they may be mortgaged, borrowed against, sold, etc., with the consent of the GBC committee members associated with the particular property.

6) The properties outside of India and their associated GBC committee members are as follows:

- a) Properties in Chicago, Detroit, and Ann Arbor: Jayatirtha das Adhikari, Harikesa Swami, and Balavanta das Adhikari.
- b) Properties in Hawaii, Tokyo, Hong Kong: Guru Kripa Swami, Rameswara Swami, and Tamal Krsna Goswami.

- c) Properties in Melbourne, Sydney, Australia Farm: Guru Krpa Swami, Hari Sauri, and Atreya Rsi.
- d) Properties in England (London Radlett), France, Germany, Netherlands, Switzerland, Sweden: Jayatirtha das Adhikari, Bhagavan das Adhikari, and Harikesa Swami.
- e) Properties in Kenya, Mauritius, South Africa: Jayatirtha das Adhikari, Brahmananda Swami and Atreya Rsi.
- f) Properties in Mexico, Venezuela, Brazil, Costa Rica, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, Chile: Hrdayananda Goswami, Panca Dravida Swami, and Brahmananda Swami.
- g) Properties in Georgetown, Guyana, Santa Domingo, St. Augustine: Adi Kesava Swami, Hrdayananda Goswami, and Panca Dravida Swami.
- h) Properties in Vancouver, Seattle, Berkeley, Dallas: Satsvarupa das Goswami, Jagadisa das Adhikari, and Jayatirtha das Adhikari.
- i) Properties in Los Angeles, Denver, San Diego, Laguna Beach: Rameswara Swami, Satsvarupa das Goswami, and Adi Kesava Swami.
- j) Properties in New York, Boston, Puerto Rico, Port Royal, St. Louis, St. Louis Farm: Tamal Krsna Goswami, Adi Kesava Swami, and Rameswara Swami.
- k) Properties in Iran: Atreya Rsi, Bhagavan das Adhikari, and Brahmananda Swami.
- l) Properties in Washington D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, Montreal and Ottawa, Rupanuga das Adhikari, Gopala Krsna das Adhikari, and Jagadisa das Adhikari.
- m) Properties in Pittsburgh, New Vindavana, Toronto, Cleveland, Buffalo, Kirtanananda Swami, Atreya Rsi, and Balavanta das Adhikari.
- n) Properties in Atlanta, Tennessee Farm, Gainesville, Miami, New Orleans, Mississippi Farm, Houston: Balavanta das Adhikari, Adi Kesava Swami, and Rupanuga das Adhikari.
- o) Properties in Fiji: Hari Sauri, Atreya Rsi, and Vasudev.

7. I declare, say and confirm that all the properties, both movable and immovable, which stand in my name, including current accounts, savings accounts and fixed deposits in various banks, are the properties and assets of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, and the heirs and successors of my previous life, or anyone claiming through them, have no right, claim or interest in these properties whatsoever, save and except as provided hereafter.

8. Although the money which is in my personal name in different banks is being spent for ISKCON and belongs to ISKCON, I have kept a few deposits specifically marked for allocating a monthly allowance of Rs. 1000/- each to the members of my former family (two sons, two daughters and wife). After the death of the members of my former family, these specific deposits (corpus, interests, and savings) will become the property of ISKCON for the corpus of the trust, and the descendants of my former family or anybody claiming through them shall not be allowed any further allowance.

9. I hereby appoint Guru Krpa Swami, Hrdayananda Goswami, Tamal Krsna Goswami, Rameswara Swami, Gopal Krsna das Adhikari, Jayatirtha das Adhikari and Giriraj das Brahmachary to act as executors of this Will. I have made this Will this 4th day of June, 1977, in possession of full sense and sound mind, without any persuasion, force or compulsion from anybody.

Witnesses:

A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

The above Will was signed by Srila Prabhupada and sealed and witnessed by the following: Tamal Krsna Goswami Bhagavan das Adhikari and several other witnesses. (signatures appear on the original document)

I, A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, a satyasi and Founder-Acharya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Settlor of the Bhaktivedanta Book Trust and disciple of Om Visnupada 108 Sri Srimad Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati Goswami Maharaja Prabhupada, presently residing at Sri Krishna-Balarama Mandir in Vrindavana, do hereby make this last Will and codocil to give vent to my intention, and clarify certain things which are to a certain extent a little vague in my previous Will dated 4th June, 1977, as follows:

I had made a Will on 4th June, 1977, and had made certain provisions therein. One of them being a provision of maintainance allowance to Sri M. M. De, Brindaban Chandra De, Miss Bhakti Lata De, and Smt. Suluxmana Dey, who were born of me during my grhastha ashram, and Smt. Radharani De, who was my wife in the grhastha ashram, for their lives as per para. 8 of the said Will. Since on careful consideration I feel that the said paragraph does not truly depict my intentions, I hereby direct that as regards Smt. Radharani De, she will get Rs. 1,000/- per month for her life out of interest to be earned from a fixed deposit of Rs. One Lakh Twenty Thousand to be made by ISKCON in any bank that the authorities of the said society may think proper for a period of 7 years in the name of ISKCON, which amount shall not be available to any of her heirs, and after her death the said amount be appropriated by ISKCON in any way the authorities of ISKCON think proper looking to the objects of the society.

As regards Sri M. M. De, Sri Brindaban Chandra De, Smt. Suluxmana Dey and Miss Bhakti Lata De, the ISKCON will deposit Rs. One Lakh Twenty Thousand under 4 separate Fixed Deposit receipts, each for Rs. 1,20,000/- for seven years in a bank to earn interest at least Rs. 1,000/- a month under each receipt. Out of the said sum of Rs. 1,000/-, only Rs. 250/- per month will be paid to each of them from the interest of their respective Fixed Deposit receipts. The remaining interest of Rs. 750/- will be deposited again under new fixed Deposit receipts in their respective names for seven years. On the maturity of these Fixed Deposit receipts created from the Rs. 750/- monthly interest for the first seven years, the said sums shall be invested by the above named persons in some Govt. Bonds, Fixed Deposit receipts or under any Govt. Deposit Scheme or shall be used to purchase some immovable property or properties so that the amount may remain safe and may not be dissipated. In case, however, the aboved named persons or any of them violate these conditions and use the said sum in purpose or puposes other than those described above, the ISKCON authorities will be free to stop the payment of the monthly maintainance of such person or persons from the original Fixed Deposits of Rs. 1,20,000/- and they shall instead give the amount of interest of Rs. 1,000/- per month to Bhaktivedanta Swami Charity Trust. It is made clear that the heirs of the said persons will have no right to anything out of the said sums and that these sums are only for the personal use of the said persons of my previous life during their respective lifetimes only.

I have appointed some executors of my said Will. I now hereby add the name of Sri. Jayapataka Swami, my disciple, residing at Sri Mayapur Chandrodya Mandir, Dist. Nadia, West Bengal, as an executor of my said Will along with the persons already named in the said Will dated 4th June, 1977. I hereby further direct that my executors will be entitled to act together or individually to fulfill their obligations under my said Will.

I therefore hereby amend, modify and alter my said Will dated 4th June, 1977, in the manner mentioned above. In all other respects the said Will continues to hold good and shall always hold good.

I hereby make this Will codocil this 5th day of November, 1977, in my full conscience and with sound mind without any persuasion, force or compulsion from anybody.

Witnesses:

(signatures appear on the original document)

A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

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Sridandi Goswami

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Founder-Acharya:

International Society for Krishna Consciousness

CENTER: Krena-Balarama Mandir,
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DATE JUNE 1977..

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W. S. Prabhupada

Witnessed by me
and signed by me
Sridandi Goswami

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NOTICE

All initiated devotees must attend morning and evening classes.

Must not be addicted to any kind of intoxicants including coffee, tea and cigarettes.

They are forbidden to have illicit sex-connections. Must be strictly vegetarian.

Should not excessively mix with non-devotees

Should not eat foodstuff cooked by non-devotees

Should not waste time in idle talk or engage himself in frivolous sports.

Should always chant and sing the Lord's Holy Names

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna
Hare Hare.

Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama
Hare Hare.

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Thank you,

International
Society for Krishna Consciousness
26 Second Avenue
New York N.Y.

A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami
Acharya.

Dated Nov: 25, 1966

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS

Founder-Acharya: His Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

July 9th, 1977

To All G.B.C. and Temple Presidents,

Dear Maharajas and Prabhus,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your feet. Recently when all of the GBC members were with His Divine Grace in Vrndavana, Srila Prabhupada indicated that soon He would appoint some of His senior disciples to act as "ritik"- representative of the acarya, for the purpose of performing initiations, both first initiation and second initiation. His Divine Grace has so far given a list of eleven disciples who will act in that capacity:

His Holiness Kirtanananda Swami
His Holiness Satsvarupa das Goswami
His Holiness Jayapataka Swami
His Holiness Tamal Krsna Goswami
His Holiness Hridayananda Goswami
His Holiness Bhavananda Goswami
His Holiness Hamsadutta Swami
His Holiness Ramesvara Swami
His Holiness Harikesa Swami
His Grace Bhagavan das Adhikari
His Grace Jayatirtha das Adhikari

In the past, Temple Presidents have written to Srila Prabhupada, recommending a particular devotee's initiation. Now that Srila Prabhupada has named these representatives, Temple Presidents may henceforward send recommendation for first and second initiation to whichever of these representatives are nearest their temple. After considering the recommendation, these representatives may accept the devotee as an initiated disciple of Srila Prabhupad by giving a spiritual name, or in the case of second initiation, by chanting on the Gayatri thread, just as Srila Prabhupad has done. The newly initiated devotees are disciples of His Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, the above eleven senior devotees acting as His representative. After the Temple President receives a letter from these representatives, giving a spiritual name or the thread, he can perform the fire yajna in the temple as was being done before. The name of a newly initiated disciple should be sent by the representative who has accepted him or her to Srila Prabhupada, to be included in His Divine Grace's "Initiated Disciples" book.

Hoping this finds you all well

Your servant,

(signature appears on the original document)

Approved

*(Srila Prabhupada's signature appears
on the original document)*

Tamal Krsna Goswami
Secretary to Srila Prabhupad

ISKCON

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS

Founder-Acharya: His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

July 9th, 1977



To All G.B.C., and Temple Presidents

Dear Maharajas and Prabhus,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your feet. Recently when all of the GBC members were with His Divine Grace in Vrindavana, Srila Prabhupada indicated that soon He would appoint some of His senior disciples to act as "ritvik" - representative of the acarya, for the purpose of performing initiations, both first initiation and second initiation. His Divine Grace has so far given a list of eleven disciples who will act in that capacity:

His Holiness Kirtanananda Swami
His Holiness Satavarupa das Goswami
His Holiness Jayapataka Swami
His Holiness Tamal Kruna Goswami
His Holiness Nityananda Goswami
His Holiness Bhavananda Goswami
His Holiness Kamsadutta Swami
His Holiness Ramesvara Swami
His Holiness Harikrishna Swami
His Grace Bhagavan das Adhikari
His Grace Jayatirtha das Adhikari

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Hoping this finds you all well.

Your servant,

Tamal Kruna Goswami

Tamal Kruna Goswami
Secretary to Srila Prabhupada

Approved:

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Qualification of a Disciple

Caitanya Caritamṛta, Madhya Lila, 24.330 (1975 edition)

Purport by His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

A disciple's qualifications must be observed by the spiritual master before he is accepted as a disciple. In our Kṛṣṇa consciousness movement, the requirement is that one must be prepared to give up the four pillars of sinful life—illicit sex, meat-eating, intoxication and gambling. In Western countries especially, we first observe whether a potential disciple is prepared to follow the regulative principles. Then he is given the name of a Vaiṣṇava servant and initiated to chant the Hare Kṛṣṇa mahā-mantra, at least sixteen rounds daily. In this way the disciple renders devotional service under the guidance of the spiritual master or his representative for at least six months to a year. He is then recommended for a second initiation, during which a sacred thread is offered and the disciple is accepted as a bona fide brāhmaṇa. Śrīla Bhaktisiddhānta Sarasvatī Ṭhākura introduced the system of giving the sacred thread to a bona fide Vaiṣṇava, and we are also following in his footsteps. The qualifications of a bona fide disciple are described in Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam (11.10.6) as follows:

amānya-matsaro dakṣo
nirmamo dṛḍha-sauhṛdah
asatvaro 'rtha-jijñāsur
anasūyur amogha-vāk

The disciple must have the following qualifications. He must give up interest in the material bodily conception. He must give up material lust, anger, greed, illusion, madness and envy. He should be interested only in understanding the science of God, and he should be ready to consider all points in this matter. He should no longer think, "I am this body," or, "This thing belongs to me." One must love the spiritual master with unflinching faith, and one must be very steady and fixed. The bona fide disciple should be inquisitive to understand transcendental subject matter. He must not search out faults among good qualities, and he should no longer be interested in material topics. His only interest should be Kṛṣṇa, the Supreme Personality of Godhead.

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BHAKTIVEDANTA BOOK TRUST AGREEMENT

1 I, A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami, disciple of OM VISNUPAD
2 PARAMHANSA 108 SRI SRIMAD BHAKTISIDDHANTA SARASVATI GOSVAMI
3 MAHARAJ PRABHUPADA, hereby give and transfer all of my books
4 and all property rights incidental thereto as hereinafter
5 described to A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI, BALI MARDAN dasa
6 BRAHMACHARY, and KARANDHAR dasa ADHIKARY as Trustees, in Trust,
7 for the purposes hereinafter stated and to be administered
8 in accordance with the provisions hereinafter set forth.

I.

TRUST FUND

12 The properties which shall constitute the Trust Fund
13 include all books and manuscripts and other documents written
14 by me or translated by me, including the following hereinafter
15 listed, and all those written by me in the future, including
16 all copyrights and publication rights incidental thereto:

17 The Nectar of Devotion;
18 KRSNA, The Supreme Personality of Godhead;
19 Srimad Bhagavatam;
20 Teachings of Lord Caitanya;
21 Sri Isopanisad;
22 The Bhagavad-Gita As It Is;
23 Easy Journey to Other Planets
24 KRSNA CONSCIOUSNESS: The Topmost Yoga System;
25 Back to Godhead Magazine
26 The First Step in God Realization
27 The Lord in the Heart
28 Pure Devotional Service--The Change in Heart
29 Process of Creation
30 The Cause of All Causes
31 The Incarnations of Godhead
32 Purush-sukta Confirmed

II.

NAME OF TRUST

This trust shall be known by the name, "BHAKTIVEDANTA BOOK TRUST." Insofar as practicable, the Trustees shall conduct the trust activities in that name.

III.

PURPOSE OF TRUST

This trust is created and shall be operated exclusively for the benefit of the INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, incorporated by me, and qualified as a tax-exempt religious organization under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, and specifically for the Book Fund and Building Fund activities hereinafter set forth in particular. This trust shall exist independently of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness and the Trustees' functions and duties stated herein shall be separate and not dependent on the Governing Body Commission of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness.

I direct that no part of the Trust Fund shall inure to the benefit of any private individual and no part of the activities of this trust shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or participating in or intervening in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. I insert these mandates in order to comply with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to tax-exempt organizations. For the same purpose, I direct that the Trustees shall not conduct or carry on any activities which are not permitted to be conducted or carried on by tax-exempt organizations under the provisions

1 of the Internal Revenue Code.

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3 IV.

4 USE OF THE TRUST FUND

5 The Trustees shall collect all proceeds from the sale
6 of my books, that is One Hundred Percent (100%) of all the
7 proceeds from all of the International Society for Krishna
8 Consciousness Temples and divide these proceeds into two
9 funds, one-half (1/2) for the fund known as the Book Fund, and
10 one-half (1/2) for the fund known as the Building Fund.

11 The proceeds allocated to the Book Fund shall be used
12 for the following purposes, all in the discretion of the
13 Trustees, in whom I have complete confidence:

14 Printing and reprinting of books;

15 Directing and managing all publicity and
16 distribution of my books;

17 Processing all copyrights and legal rights
18 to my books;

19 Allocating funds as they see fit to ISKCON
20 Press and directing the operation of the
21 activities of ISKCON Press in the printing
22 and reprinting of said books.

23 Those funds allocated to the Building fund shall be applied
24 in the sole discretion of the Trustees in the following manner:

25 Purchase of properties for the construction
26 of new temples or renovation of old temples.

27 In the application of said proceeds, I direct the Trustees
28 to distribute the trust income for each taxable year at such
29 time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax
30 on undistributed income imposed by the Internal Revenue Code.
31 In addition, in the discretion of the Trustees, I direct them
32 to allocate such portions of the principal portion of the

1 proceeds of said trust for the purposes stated in this Para-
2 graph IV.

3 Any funds not so allocated may be distributed in the
4 sole discretion of the Trustees to other charitable or reli-
5 gious organizations or purposes which qualify as tax-exempt
6 under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

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MANAGEMENT OF TRUST FUND

10 I have full confidence in the manner in which my Trustees
11 will govern the Trust Fund but, in order to give them as much
12 flexibility as possible in accordance with the law, I set forth
13 the following powers. In the administration of this trust and
14 the Trust Fund, the Trustees shall have all powers and authori-
15 ties necessary or available under the law to carry out the pur-
16 poses of this trust, subject to the restriction as heretofore
17 stated that they may not exercise any power or authority which
18 is prohibited by the Internal Revenue Code for tax-exempt
19 organizations.

20 Without limiting the generality of their powers, for pur-
21 poses of clarification, I include the following special powers:

22 A. To invest any of the principal of the Trust Fund not
23 used for the purposes hereinabove stated;

24 B. To open bank accounts in the name of the trust for
25 the transaction of business;

26 C. To pay such administrative expense as may be necessary
27 in the administration of this trust;

28 D. To appoint a secretary to keep account books and
29 issue a monthly statement to the Trustees.

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APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

1 The Trustees whom I have therein designated are appointed
2 for lifetime. In the event of the death or failure to act for
3 any reason of any of said Trustees, a successor Trustee or
4 Trustees may be appointed by the remaining Trustees, with
5 never more than five (5) Trustees acting at one time.

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7 VII.

8 TERM OF TRUST

9 This trust shall be irrevocable. In the event of an
10 inadvertent disqualification of this trust under the laws as
11 they may exist from time to time, which may require a disso-
12 lution of the trust, the entire Trust Fund shall, in that event,
13 be distributed to the International Society for Krishna Cons-
14 ciousness.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this trust this ^{29th}
16 day of May, 1972.



A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami
A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI

ACCEPTANCE OF TRUST

The Trustees hereby accept this Trust and the obligations imposed thereby and undertake to hold, manage and administer the Trust Fund in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.



A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami
A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI

Bali Mardan dasa Bhattacharya (William Berke)
BALI MARDAN dasa BHATTACHARYA
(William Berke)

Karamohan dasa Adhikary (Kelly G. Smith)
KARAMOHAN dasa ADHIKARY
(Kelly G. Smith)



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Letter to: All ISKCON Centers

Vrindaban

14 March, 1974

Memorandum to All ISKCON Centers

My dear disciples,

Please accept my blessings. Now that our ISKCON is growing into a huge, world wide organization, it has come to my attention that sometimes centers are printing my literature, taking collection and spending all outside the jurisdiction of the Bhaktivedanta Book Trust. This must not go on.

I specifically formed the BBT to invest in it exclusive rights for the printing of all literature containing my teachings, writings and lectures. In this way the collections are to be divided fifty percent for printing new books and fifty percent for construction of temples.

The BBT can authorize a center to print, as in the case of foreign translations, with the agreement that when the foreign printing becomes financially solvent they will pay royalties to the BBT. But all printing of ISKCON literature must be by the BBT or under their sanction and approval.

If temples print independently it will be at the cost of the books I am, myself printing, and could eventually cause the financial ruin of the BBT, meaning I could not order new books from the printer or have sufficient funds for construction of temple projects.

I trust this is now clear and you will all do the needful. If you have any questions in this matter you can write me directly or consult with the GBC representative.

Your ever well-wisher,
A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

Tridandi Goswami
A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

Founder-Acharya:

International Society for Krishna Consciousness

CENTER: Krishna Balaram Temple
Raman Reti, Vrindaban,
Mathura, U.P., India

DATE March 14 1974

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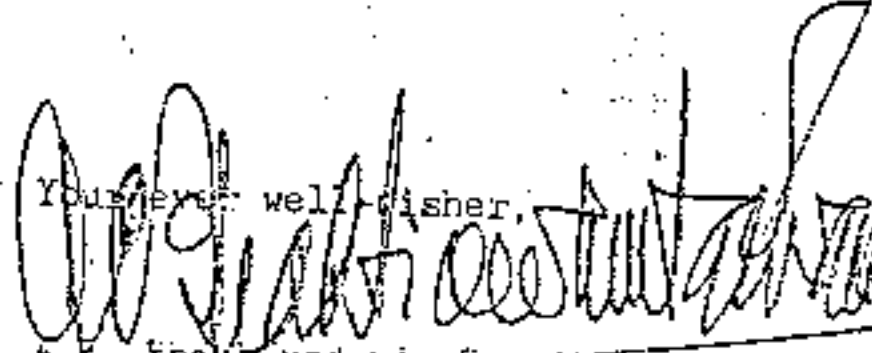
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A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

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**A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI
MAYAPURA RINDABAN TRUST FUND
AGREEMENT
MVAIF Agreement July 1971**

I, A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI, disciple of OM VISNUPAD PARAMHANSA 108 SRI SRIMAD BHAKTISIDDHANTA SARASVATI GOSVAMI MAHARAJ PRABHUPĀDA, hereby give and transfer all of my personal funds received from my disciples and other contributors from time to time and rights incidental thereto as hereinafter described to A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI, Śrīmān Atreya Rsi, Śrīmān Gopal Krishna Das Adhikary and Śrīmān Karandhar dasa Adhikary (Kelly G. Smith) as Trustees, in Trust, for the purposes hereinafter stated and to be administered in accordance with the provisions hereinafter set forth.

I.

TRUST FUND

Money invested in Government bonds and other securities, debentures, and properties all over the world shall constitute the Trust Fund including all donations given to me from time to time by my disciples and others, as well as interests earned and accrued from the Government bonds and other security investments, as well as rents and incomes derived from properties and houses, specially in the U.S.A., of which country I am registered immigrant as Founder and Acharya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Incorporated.

II.

NAME OF TRUST

This trust shall be known by the name, "A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI MAYAPUR-VRINDABAN TRUST FUND" or, in brief, M-V Trust. Insofar as practicable, the Trustee shall conduct the trust activities in that name.

III.

PURPOSE OF TRUST

This Trust Fund is created and shall be operated exclusively for the regular maintenance of two Temples at Mayapur and Vrindaban (India) of the INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, incorporated by me, and qualified as a tax-exempt religious organization both in the U.S.A. and India under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. The income from this Trust Fund will be specifically spent for regular seva puja (temple worship) of the two Temples at Mayapur and Vrindaban set forth in particular. This trust shall exist independently of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness.

I direct that no part of the Trust shall inure to the benefit of any private individual and no part of the activities of this trust shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or participating in or intervening in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. I insert these mandates in order to comply with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to tax-exempt organizations. For the same purpose, I direct that the Trustees shall not conduct or carry on any activities which are not permitted to be conducted or carried on by tax-exempt organizations under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

IV.

USE OF THE TRUST

The Trustees or any Manager deputed by the Trustees shall collect all proceeds from the Government bonds and other securities, One Hundred Percent (100%), as well as donations from all members of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness Temples or others, as well as all rents and incomes from properties and houses, and divide these proceeds into two funds, one-half (1/2) for the regular seva puja expenditure of the ISKCON Mayapur Temple and one-half (1/2) for the regular seva puja expenditure of the ISKCON Vrindaban Temple, as directed by the Trustee A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami during his life time. After his demise, as decided by the board of Trustees as mentioned above.

The board of Trustees is formed as follows:

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| 1. A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami | Chairman |
| 2. Karandhar Das | Treasurer |
| 3. Atreya Rsi Das | Secretary |
| 4. Gopal Krishna Das | Jt. Secretary |

Immediately a bank a/c shall be opened with Bank of America Bank in the name of the Trust Fund and checks or withdrawal should be signed by the chairman and one of the other Trustees.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this trust this———day of July, 1971.

A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI

ACCEPTANCE OF TRUST

The Trustee hereby accepts this Trust and the obligations imposed thereby and undertake to hold, manage and administer the Trust Fund in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI

KARANDHAR DASA ADHIKARY
(Kelly G. Smith)

**Certificate of Amendment of the
Certificate of Incorporation of the**

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, INC.

**(under Section 803 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law)
State of New York**

**Amendment Dated: February 13th, 2005
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