

Resolution #50
Concerning the Division of Revenues in Certain Cases

Whereas, in accordance with Resolution #8 (Oct. 3, 1993), the Northern Forum established two Associate Secretariat offices (also referred to as "Subsecretariats"), one office in Europe and the other in the Russian Far East;

Whereas it was decided that the Associate Secretariats should be in the regions represented by the two Vice-Chairs;

Whereas the Associate Secretariat offices in Bodø, Norway and Yakutsk, Sakha Republic were established to facilitate the activities of an organization spread over a large geographic area and representing many languages and cultures;

Whereas the Associate Secretariat in Yakutsk assists the Northern Forum in several ways, including the dissemination of information to and communications with Russian regions and may assist the Secretariat in other ways in the future;

Whereas the Associate Secretariat in Bodø, Norway assists the Northern Forum with Northern Forum representation at international meetings and may assist the Secretariat in other ways in the future;

Whereas members other than the regions in which an Associate Secretariat is located may perform special services;

Whereas the Associate Secretariats are currently supported entirely by the host regions;

Whereas, from time to time, member regions have discussed appropriating a portion of the Northern Forum Secretariat's funds to defray some of the expenses of the Associate Secretariats and of member regions;

Whereas the Secretariat has developed Guidelines to Provide for Division of Revenues in Certain Cases (attached to this resolution);

Whereas these Guidelines address special funding for the Associate Secretariat and other members in a way which is consistent with the current budget of the Northern Forum, and with the current established role of the Associate Secretariats;

Whereas Article II, Section D of the Northern Forum, Inc. Bylaws provides for the collection and distribution of Membership Fees;

Whereas there is currently no provision for the allocation of business membership fees (Membership III) in order to create incentives for the member regions to solicit such business memberships;

Whereas there is currently no provision for the allocation of fees received for special services provided by a member region or Associate Secretariat;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors hereby:

- adopt the Guidelines to Provide for Division of Revenues in Certain Cases and;
- amend Article II, Section D of the Northern Forum, Inc. Bylaws to include these Guidelines.