

## The Northern Forum Executive Committee

### *Resolution # 083*

#### *Concerning the Northern Forum Academy*

WHEREAS, the Northern Forum Academy was approved as a Priority Project in 1993, and was formally established by Northern Forum Resolution #24 as the academic instrument of the Northern Forum; and

WHEREAS, since its establishment, the Academy's leadership, activities and long-range implementation strategy have undergone continual change, which required on-going internal restructuring as evidenced in Northern Forum 1995 Resolution # 35 and discussions of the Regional Coordinators and Board of Directors thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the Academy has undertaken many activities, but has directly supported only a few of the projects of the Northern Forum; and

WHEREAS, in terms of individual participation, the Academy is the broadest activity associated with the Northern Forum, having particularly high levels of membership within the Sakha Republic (Yakutia) and the Russian Federation; and

WHEREAS, the Academy is one of the only organizations whose purview includes research, education and project support in Siberia and the Russian Far East; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of the Academy in 1999 requested that the Northern Forum Board of Directors grant the Academy status as a separate organization within the Northern Forum; and

WHEREAS, the Academy's Acting President in great measure accomplished the recommendation made by the Regional Coordinators, at their meeting in February 2000, that the Academy take six months to restructure its operations with a view to becoming a separate organization within the Northern Forum which supports the projects and activities of the Northern Forum.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on behalf of the Board of Directors, that the Executive Committee of the Northern Forum:

- 1) considers completed the development stage of the Academy as a priority project and recognizes the status of the Academy as *an academic scientific organization* controlled by the Northern Forum;
- 2) resolves that Northern Forum Resolution #34 shall hereby lose its force;
- 3) supports the proposal of Northern Forum Chairman, Mr. Mikhail E. Nikolayev regarding the juridical registration of the Academy in Yakutsk, Sakha Republic (Yakutia);
- 4) requests the Sakha Republic to take financial responsibilities to support the Secretariat of the Academy;
- 5) appoints Dr. Vladimir N. Vasiliev President of the Academy until the meeting of the Board of Directors in 2003;

- 6) charges President Vladimir N. Vasiliev to:
- review the new Northern Forum Academy Bylaws to ensure compliance with the Bylaws of the Northern Forum, Inc. in coordination with the Secretariats of the Northern Forum;
  - process the juridical registration of the Academy in the Russian Federation;
  - prepare proposals on the membership composition of the Academy's Executive Committee for adoption by the Northern Forum Board of Directors at the 5<sup>th</sup> Northern Forum General Assembly in September 2001;

Approved this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 20001 in Moscow, the Russian Federation.