

Statute of the
National Peace Movement



Chapter One: Definition, Establishment and Objectives

Article 1: Definition

The National Peace Movement (formerly the National Reconciliation Movement) is a political movement that seeks to end the war in Yemen, address its consequences, and achieve a comprehensive, just, and lasting national peace throughout the country. This peace emphasizes national reconciliation and initiates comprehensive reforms to rebuild the modern Yemeni state, paving the way toward stability, development, and keeping pace with modern advancements.

Article 2: Establishment

After four years of sustained internal development and peaceful civic activity both inside and outside Yemen for the sake of peace, and following the conclusion of the transitional phase declared on June 2, 2024, the National Consensus Movement transitions into its permanent phase under the new name "National Peace Movement." It moves from a consensus phase to direct peacebuilding, and will hereafter be referred to as "the Movement."

Article 3: Mission and Vision of the Movement

- **Mission:** To strengthen the commonalities among Yemenis and build a society based on stability and understanding through dialogue and partnership, ensuring a prosperous future for all.
- **Vision:** To achieve a comprehensive and sustainable peace in Yemen, grounded in the principles of coexistence, justice, and equality, making the country an inclusive space for all without exclusion or marginalization.

Article 4: Objectives

The Movement aims to promote peace and reconciliation in Yemen by:

- Supporting all national, regional, and international peacebuilding efforts to end the war and reach a just, comprehensive, and lasting peace, laying the foundation for a new phase of political stability based on democratic consensus and respect for the rights, interests, and aspirations of the Yemeni people, while adhering to principles of development, freedom, equality, and human rights.
- Mobilizing national, regional, and international efforts and expertise to support Yemen's peace process, help bridge differences among rivals, and promote mutual understanding and cooperation among all parties.

- Raising public awareness about the necessity of reconciliation, healing societal and cultural divisions, promoting the concept of peaceful coexistence and social peace, and emphasizing the importance of political and economic stability.
- Upholding the importance and necessity of continuing the peaceful civil struggle for peace through all possible means, and extending cooperation and coordination with various peace initiatives, actors, and figures inside and outside Yemen.
- Contributing to the development of scholarly visions for post-war state-building and the comprehensive structural reforms needed across political, economic, social, and security sectors.

Chapter Two: Membership of the Movement

Article 5: Membership

Membership in the Movement is voluntary and open to all Yemeni individuals from different political, social, and cultural backgrounds, whether inside or outside Yemen, who believe in its goals and commit to its principles.

Article 6: Types and Conditions of Membership

Membership in the Movement includes:

- **Active Membership:** For individuals who dedicate themselves to working within the official components of the Movement (Board of Trustees, Executive Body, Expert Council, Geographical Branches), committing their time and effort to achieving its goals.
- **Affiliate Membership:** For individuals who support the Movement and identify with its values but are unable to commit to continuous engagement or fulfill its technical and administrative requirements.

Article 7: General Provisions

- No individual becomes a member of the Movement without first reviewing and agreeing to its literature, internal code of conduct, and governing bylaws—including the membership regulations—and committing to all of them.
- Membership is official only once the individual has been added to the membership database and formally notified by the administrative body.
- The membership regulations define the procedures for joining, participating, and exiting the Movement, as well as members' rights and responsibilities.

- Members may participate in more than one component of the Movement, in accordance with the membership regulations.
- Any member may end their voluntary membership at any time by notifying the administrative body.

Chapter Three: Organisational Structure

First: Board of Trustees (General Secretariat)

Article 8: Definition

The Board of Trustees (General Secretariat) consists of founding members and early leaders of the National Consensus Movement who agreed to transition to the Movement's permanent phase with its new identity and structure, as declared on June 2, 2024. The Board is the highest authority responsible for strategic decision-making, policy direction, and internal and external support for the Movement.

Article 9: Responsibilities

- Developing strategic plans to achieve the Movement's objectives and monitoring progress in light of local, regional, and international developments.
- Overseeing the performance of the executive components (working groups, branch heads, track leads, administrative body) via the Executive Council.
- Coordinating with the Movement's Advisory Council (Council of Elders) and ensuring alignment among various components and branches.
- Issuing official statements and representing the Movement externally.
- Engaging with national, regional, and international actors and NGOs to gain support, exchange expertise, and build partnerships.
- Approving any formal partnerships, agreements, or collaborations.
- Ratifying internal regulations and approving active membership in coordination with the Executive Council.
- Approving the composition and leadership of the Executive Council.
- Calling for general or emergency meetings of the Executive Body and Expert Council.

Article 10: Special Provisions

- The Board adopts a horizontal leadership structure, electing a General Coordinator and Rapporteur on a rotational basis according to internal regulations.
- It holds the intellectual and legal authority over the Movement and may amend its statute or dissolve the Movement with a two-thirds majority.
- Only the Board may issue official statements on behalf of the Movement.
- It represents the Movement in public forums and may delegate representatives.
- Its decisions are binding on all components of the Movement. In case of internal disputes that cannot be resolved by the Administrative or Executive Councils, the Board has final authority.

Second: The Executive Body

Article 11: Definition and Responsibilities

The Executive Body is responsible for managing the Movement, organizing its main activities and engagements, and making decisions regarding its direction, in coordination with the Board of Trustees when necessary. It consists of five main components:

- The Executive Council
- Four (or more) Executive Working Groups
- The Administrative Body
- Track Coordinators
- Heads of Geographical Branches

These collectively form the General Assembly of the Executive Body, which meets annually at the invitation of the Board of Trustees or as needed according to internal regulations.

1. The Executive Council

Article 12: Composition

The Executive Council is composed of:

- Leaders of the Executive Working Groups
- The Chair and Deputy Chair of the Administrative Body
- Track Coordinators

- Heads of Geographical Branches

Article 13: Responsibilities

The Executive Council manages the Movement's activities and internal organization. It acts as a liaison between the Executive Body and the Board of Trustees. It convenes regularly to develop annual plans and evaluate the performance of working groups, the administrative body, tracks, and branches.

Article 14: Leadership

The Council elects a Chair, Deputy Chair, and Rapporteur by consensus and on a rotating basis, subject to approval by the Board of Trustees, and in accordance with the internal regulations.

2. The Executive Working Groups

Article 15: Definition

The Executive Working Groups are the main drivers of the Movement's activities, implementing specialized and complementary tasks. The four primary groups are:

- National Outreach Team
- External Relations Team
- Media Team
- Strategic Studies Team

Each group consists of at least five specialized members. A team leader is appointed by the Board of Trustees, while the deputy and rapporteur are elected by team members. The teams hold regular meetings under their own regulations.

1. National Outreach Team

Article 16: Definition

This team is responsible for expanding the Movement's presence and membership across Yemeni provinces and building relationships with key national and local actors—including influential individuals, political parties, government bodies, civil society, media, and local communities. It is the main link between grassroots members and the Movement's broader structure.

Article 17: Responsibilities

- Coordinating and overseeing activities inside Yemen
- Building a network of influential supporters across Yemeni cities to promote peace

- Creating a database of local influencers and engaging them in the Movement
- Establishing sustainable communication channels with political, government, and civil society actors
- Organizing workshops, national forums, and training programs to foster dialogue and consensus
- Holding negotiation sessions with political parties and actors to promote national reconciliation
- Supporting local peace initiatives (e.g., mediation efforts, peace rallies)
- Building trust between conflicting parties through direct dialogue and conflict de-escalation
- Reporting periodically to the Executive Council on outreach efforts and peace progress
- Collaborating with national organizations working on peace and reconciliation

2. External Relations Team

Article 18: Definition

The External Relations Team is responsible for directing the Movement's engagement with international institutions, diplomatic missions, and NGOs outside Yemen. Its aim is to build partnerships, expand the Movement's international network, raise global awareness, and attract support for peace and reconciliation efforts in Yemen.

Article 19: Responsibilities

- Building and enhancing cooperation with governments and international/regional organizations to support the Movement's goals and visibility
- Representing the Movement at international and regional conferences related to politics, human rights, and development, in coordination with the Board of Trustees
- Monitoring regional and international political developments that may affect the Movement's work and providing regular reports
- Forming strategic partnerships with regional and international civil society organizations
- Participating in organizing workshops, forums, and training programs abroad
- Organizing dialogue sessions and negotiations with Yemeni political parties and actors, in coordination with the National Outreach Team
- Submitting regular reports to the Executive Council on external engagement efforts and progress in mobilizing international support

3. Media Team

Article 20: Definition

The Media Team manages and coordinates all internal and external media activities. Its role is to enhance the Movement's image across media platforms, increase its influence through innovative strategies, and communicate its messages effectively via traditional media (press, TV, radio) and digital media (social media, websites).

Article 21: Responsibilities

- Designing and executing comprehensive media strategies to promote the Movement's activities and objectives
- Managing content across the Movement's digital platforms
- Producing and developing media content (articles, newsletters, reports, videos) aligned with the Movement's goals, in coordination with the Strategic Studies Team and the Culture & Media Track
- Building relations with local and international media outlets and coordinating coverage of the Movement's news
- Launching awareness campaigns and promoting initiatives in coordination with other working groups
- Producing regular media reports for the Executive Body
- Responding to media crises, countering misinformation, and correcting public narratives
- Training members in media engagement and professional communication
- Keeping up with media trends and adopting new tools for public engagement
- Organizing workshops and training sessions inside and outside Yemen
- Hosting dialogues with peace figures and initiatives in Yemen and abroad in collaboration with relevant teams
- Submitting regular performance reports to the Executive Council

4. Strategic Studies Team

Article 22: Definition

The Strategic Studies Team is responsible for conducting and publishing relevant research and studies to support the Movement's strategic decisions. It provides in-depth analytical insights on political, social, and economic issues and recommends evidence-based solutions. It coordinates with the Council of Elders and specialized tracks and monitors local, regional, and global developments to guide the Movement's strategy.

Article 23: Responsibilities

- Conducting analytical studies on relevant political, economic, and social issues and publishing them via the Movement's media platforms or external channels
- Providing evidence-based strategic recommendations to guide the Movement's decisions and policies
- Monitoring local, regional, and global trends and analyzing their impact on the Movement's objectives
- Preparing reports on key challenges and proposing strategic solutions
- Drafting the Movement's political literature and contributing research and statistical content to the media team
- Offering strategic advice to executive bodies on future issues
- Coordinating with other teams to ensure integration of research into implementation plans
- Organizing workshops and training sessions to enhance research and analytical skills of members

3. The Administrative Body

Article 24: Definition

The Administrative Body is the primary organizational and administrative reference point within the Movement. It is directly responsible for managing the Movement's day-to-day affairs, overseeing its organizational, technical, and administrative matters, implementing decisions made by the Executive Body, and ensuring the efficient and effective operation of all activities. It also coordinates across teams and components to align daily actions with the Movement's broader strategies.

Article 25: Composition

The Administrative Body consists of a Chair, Deputy Chair, and Rapporteur appointed by the Board of Trustees. It includes the following departments:

- Organizational Committee (Membership and Legal Affairs)
- Finance Department

- Resource Development Department
- Documentation and Archiving Department

Each department is headed by a leader appointed by the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Administrative Body. The internal regulations define the roles and responsibilities of each department head and the leadership team.

1. Organisational Committee (Membership and Legal Affairs)

Article 26: Definition

This committee oversees all matters related to membership and implements internal regulations. It also manages all legal affairs—both internal and external—including drafting and updating policies, acquiring licenses, resolving legal issues related to the Movement or its members, and handling disputes with external entities.

The committee comprises two sub-units:

- Membership Affairs Department
- Legal Affairs Department

Their coordination is governed by internal regulations.

Article 27: Responsibilities

- Managing registration of new members (active and affiliate) and ensuring compliance with standards and codes of conduct
- Providing legal advice on internal or external legal issues affecting the Movement
- Developing and reviewing bylaws and internal regulations in line with applicable laws
- Handling legal matters related to membership or any other issues
- Managing licenses and permits required for operations within Yemen (with the National Outreach Team) or abroad (with the External Relations Team)
- Resolving internal disputes in accordance with established regulations
- Ensuring compliance with local and international legal frameworks
- Submitting periodic reports to the Chair of the Administrative Body

2. Finance Department

Article 28: Definition

The Finance Department is responsible for overseeing all internal financial operations of the Movement, including preparing the operational budget, managing income and expenditures, and ensuring financial transparency.

Article 29: Responsibilities

- Preparing and managing the annual operational budget
- Managing the Movement's accounts and ensuring their accuracy; monitoring income and expenses to ensure efficiency and transparency
- Directly supervising any operational funding received by the Movement
- Preparing regular financial reports for the Chair of the Administrative Body
- Ensuring compliance with national and international financial standards
- Coordinating with external auditors to conduct the annual financial audit
- Providing financial advice to the Executive Council and the Board of Trustees

3. Resource Development Department

Article 30: Definition

This department identifies funding opportunities and develops strategies to attract financial support for the Movement, including projects aligned with its objectives.

Article 31: Responsibilities

4. Researching funding opportunities and participating in relevant tenders
5. Working to secure operational resources for the Movement in coordination with the Finance Department
6. Preparing financial proposals and applications for donors and international organizations
7. Developing and implementing strategies for sustainable financial support
8. Coordinating and managing local and international fundraising projects that support the Movement's goals
9. Building relationships with donors and NGOs to secure funding
10. Monitoring financial implementation of projects and ensuring alignment with strategic goals
11. Preparing periodic reports on funding projects and their outcomes
12. Submitting regular reports to the Chair of the Administrative Body

13. Documentation and Archiving Department

Article 32: Definition

This department is responsible for organizing and preserving all official documents, reports, and meeting records of the Movement, including data records and member files, in coordination with the Organizational Committee.

Article 33: Responsibilities

- Documenting all data, decisions, and actions taken by the Movement
- Organizing, preserving, and archiving regulations, administrative and technical files, and meeting minutes
- Developing and implementing internal document management systems for easy access to information
- Maintaining both digital and physical archives according to best global standards
- Preparing periodic reports that include documentation of activities for all relevant entities
- Ensuring document security and protecting them from loss or tampering
- Submitting regular reports to the Chair of the Administrative Body

Third: The Expert Council

Article 34: Definition

The Expert Council serves as the ideological, intellectual, and strategic umbrella of the Movement. It brings together a diverse group of individuals with recognized expertise from various fields and aims to offer strategic guidance at all stages of the Movement's work. It provides intellectual and advisory support and helps strengthen the Movement's engagement with local, regional, and international actors.

Article 35: Objectives

- Promoting strategic thinking on key challenges facing the Movement and offering policy and programmatic recommendations
- Facilitating communication and coordination with stakeholders inside and outside Yemen, including governments, conflict parties, local and international organizations, and partners
- Assisting the Executive Body in setting priorities and aligning programs with the Movement's overarching goals
- Supporting the Movement intellectually and in the media, both inside and outside Yemen, by reinforcing its key messages and highlighting its activities
- Creating advocacy channels and building relationships with donors and influencers

Article 36: Composition

The Expert Council consists of two components:

- The Council of Elders
- Specialized Tracks, which include:
 - Political and State-Building Track
 - Economic and Relief Track
 - Human Rights and Legal Track
 - Culture and Media Track
 - Security and Military Track
 - Health Track
 - Education Track
 - Feminist Peace Track
 - Youth Track

1. Council of Elders (Movement's Coordination Body)

Article 37: Definition

The Council of Elders (or Coordinating Body) is the Movement's central advisory group. It includes a select group of national figures with expertise in fields such as politics, law, media, culture, education, health, civil society and tribal affairs, military and security, public services, and business, from diverse backgrounds and regions.

Article 38: Composition

- Composed of prominent and influential figures with significant experience in peace, reconciliation, and development
- Members are selected by the Board of Trustees based on criteria such as competence, experience, influence, and belief in the Movement's goals
- The Council elects a Chair, Deputy, and Rapporteur from among its members on a rotating basis, subject to approval by the Board of Trustees
- The Council meets every three months, or more frequently if needed, according to its internal regulations

Article 39: Responsibilities

- Offering insights on sensitive issues such as peace negotiations, state-building, national reconciliation, mediation, and structural reforms

- Organizing dialogue sessions and workshops that bring together local and international experts to support peace efforts in Yemen and the Movement's work
- Advising on internal conflicts among members or components of the Movement
- Facilitating communication with international figures and relevant organizations in coordination with the Board of Trustees
- Leading national and international advocacy campaigns in support of the Movement's goals
- Submitting regular reports to the Board of Trustees on the political and social landscape and its impact on the Movement
- Organizing capacity-building workshops for members in mediation and other relevant areas

2. Specialised Tracks

Article 40: Definition

The Specialized Tracks are expert platforms and think tanks that focus on specific thematic areas. They research, analyse, and discuss relevant issues and provide strategic recommendations. Each track consists of professionals and experts in its respective field. The tracks host discussion sessions, conferences, and trainings and work closely with the Strategic Studies Team to provide proposals for the Movement's strategic agenda.

Article 41: Structure

Each track has a Chair, Deputy Chair, and Rapporteur, elected by the members and approved by the Board of Trustees, in accordance with internal regulations. The track chairs also represent their tracks in the Executive Council.

1. Political and State-Building Track

Article 42: Responsibilities

- Analysing the current political situation and promoting the role of political parties and organizations in supporting peace
- Proposing reform agendas for post-war political reconstruction
- Developing plans for building a democratic and civil state
- Providing frameworks for post-war reconstruction and political normalization

- Collaborating with the National Outreach and External Relations Teams and providing expert advice

2. Economic and Relief Track

Article 43: Responsibilities

- Analysing economic challenges and proposing strategies for economic recovery and humanitarian work
- Coordinating relief efforts with local, regional, and international organizations
- Contributing to post-war reconstruction plans from an economic perspective
- Collaborating with the National Outreach and External Relations Teams and providing expert advice

3. Human Rights and Legal Track

Article 44: Responsibilities

- Examining legal and human rights issues in Yemen
- Offering legal advice on promoting human rights and building rule-of-law institutions
- Collaborating with local and international human rights organizations
- Developing strategies for conflict resolution, societal reconciliation, and transitional justice
- Collaborating with the National Outreach and External Relations Teams and providing expert advice

4. Culture and Media Track

Article 45: Responsibilities

- Promoting Yemeni cultural identity and shared social and cultural values, and supporting the role of culture and media in peacebuilding
- Designing media campaigns to promote peace and reconciliation, in collaboration with the Media Team
- Training members in media and communication skills

5. Security and Military Track

Article 46: Responsibilities

- Analysing security and military issues related to the Yemeni crisis and their local, regional, and international impacts
- Proposing arrangements to stabilize security and military conditions before and after the war
- Designing frameworks for restructuring military and security institutions during the transition period
- Supporting efforts in disarmament, prisoner exchange, demobilization, and reintegration

6. **Health Track**

Article 47: Responsibilities

- Assessing the current health needs of Yemeni society and recommending measures to strengthen the healthcare system
- Proposing health-related projects for the Movement in collaboration with relevant local, regional, and international organizations
- Supporting health campaigns in coordination with concerned organizations
- Developing plans for organizing and improving the health sector during the transitional phase

7. **Education Track**

- Reviewing existing educational and pedagogical initiatives and projects and providing briefings on their status
- Addressing curriculum reform to eliminate content that hinders peacebuilding, social integration, and civil harmony
- Proposing educational project ideas in cooperation with relevant local, regional, and international organizations
- Developing strategies for organizing and improving the education system during the transitional phase

8. **Feminist Peace Track**

Article 49: Composition

- Includes all female members of the Movement from across its components
- May also include representatives of women's organizations active within and outside Yemen

- Members are selected based on criteria of competence and commitment to women's issues

Article 50: Responsibilities

- Promoting Yemeni women's participation in achieving the Movement's goals, especially in peace and reconciliation efforts
- Empowering women to serve as effective leaders within the Movement and in peacebuilding processes
- Providing expert recommendations to support women's rights in the post-war state-building phase
- Supporting women to become agents of change and influential leaders in their communities
- Backing projects and programs that empower women socially, economically, and politically
- Strengthening coordination between the Movement and civil society organizations concerned with women's affairs

9. Youth Track

Article 51: Composition

- Composed of Movement members aged 18–30
- Includes individuals with significant experience in youth activism
- Members are selected based on clear criteria including competence, commitment to youth issues, and willingness to actively contribute to the Movement's goals

Article 52: Responsibilities

- Enhancing the role of youth in achieving the Movement's goals and promoting youth leadership
- Engaging youth in peace and national reconciliation efforts
- Empowering young people to become future leaders in various fields
- Supporting youth involvement in building a post-conflict state based on civil and democratic foundations

Fourth: Geographical Branches

Article 53: Definition

Geographical branches are responsible for organizing and implementing the Movement's activities in the areas or countries where they operate. Each branch includes all active members of the Movement from the various bodies working within that geographic scope. These branches are autonomous in formulating their annual plans and operational methods, provided they align with the Movement's goals and regulations and coordinate with the External Relations Team.

Article 54: Structure

Each geographical branch is led by a Chair, Deputy Chair, and Rapporteur, elected by the branch members and approved by the Board of Trustees, in accordance with the regulations for establishing and managing branches. Branch Chairs represent their branches in the Executive Council.

Article 55: Responsibilities

- Organizing activities within the geographic area
- Hosting events and workshops to raise awareness of the Movement's goals in line with local laws and without jeopardizing member safety
- Engaging with local stakeholders:
 - Building relationships with local governments, organizations, influential individuals, and representatives of the Yemeni government, as permitted by local regulations
- Coordinating with the Executive Council and the Board of Trustees regarding activities within the geographic area
- Submitting periodic reports to the Executive Council on the needs and priorities of the branches

Logistical Support:

- Assisting Executive Working Groups in implementing projects within the geographic area
- Ensuring effective coordination with partners in the area

Community Engagement:

- Expanding the Movement's grassroots base by recruiting active and affiliate members residing in the area

Chapter Four: Amendments and Dissolution

Article 62: Amendments to the Statute

This statute may be amended with the approval of two-thirds of the members of the Board of Trustees, provided that all amendments are consistent with the fundamental goals of the Movement.

Article 63: Dissolution of the Movement

If the Board of Trustees decides to dissolve the Movement, its remaining resources must be handled in a manner that reflects and supports the Movement's mission, ensuring its values continue even after its formal operations end.
