

internal controls to enable the execution of an audit in accordance with the applicable auditing standards at the end of the first year of operations.

(g) *Condition and documentation requirement no. 7—(1) Condition.* That the applicant has a Board of Directors which meets at least annually, whose members serve without compensation for such services, and that paid officers or staff members do not constitute a majority in any decision.

(2) *Documentation requirement.* A statement indicating that paid officers or staff members who serve on the Board do not constitute a majority in any decision and members of the governing body receive no compensation for their services on that body; the names and addresses of members; and minutes of meetings or excerpts from minutes which demonstrate that the Board holds meetings at least annually.

(h) *Condition and documentation requirement no. 8—(1) Condition.* That the applicant expends and distributes its funds and resources in accordance with the stated purposes of the organization, without unreasonable cost for salaries, promotion, publicity, fund raising and administration, at home or abroad, and provides public disclosure of its financial circumstances.

(i) In determining whether an applicant obtains, expends, and distributes its funds without unreasonable cost for promotion, publicity, fund raising, and administration, A.I.D. shall consider fund raising costs as presumptively unreasonable if they exceed 20 percent of the total cash and in-kind contributions to the organization (as reflected in the audited financial statement).

(ii) An applicant for registration or a registered agency whose fund raising costs exceed the 20 percent limitation must demonstrate that such costs are not unreasonable in light of the nature of the organization's operations. Upon such a showing, A.I.D. may permit exceptions to the 20 percent limitation on a case-by-case basis.

(iii) *Contributions* as used in this section, include U.S. Government financial support, both cash and in-kind, as well as private support; similarly, it is expected that fund raising costs will

include costs incurred in securing government contributions.

(2) *Documentation requirement.* A certification that audited financial statements are available to the public upon request and a statement indicating salaries and allowances of the top five principal headquarters positions (determined by salary level) and country director positions. When provided directly by the applicant, salaries and/or allowances may be valued at actual cost; when provided by the recipient country or local institution, they may be valued at fair market value. Any other documentation or evidence which the applicant wishes to submit addressing the degree to which annual program spending has been consistent with the stated purposes of the organization and annual expenses are reasonable in amount.

(i) *Condition and documentation requirement no. 9—(1) Condition.* That the applicant is not:

(i) Suspended or debarred by an agency of the United States Government;

(ii) Designated as a foreign terrorist organization by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended; or

(iii) The subject of a decision by the Department of State to the effect that registration, or a financial relationship between USAID and the organization, is contrary to the national defense, national security, or foreign policy interests of the United States.

(2) *Documentation requirement.* None.

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§ 203.3 Annual requirements.

In order to maintain its registration, each registered PVO shall submit annually, within 180 days after the close of the fiscal year, the following documents: An independently audited financial statement; a report of income and expenditures (A.I.D. Form 1550-2), which is relatable to the audited financial statements; an annual report (or similar document); a copy of IRS Form 990 or 990-PF; a budget for the new fiscal year; and a statement that all other circumstances described in the original registration material remain

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unchanged except as noted. A.I.D. may revise the above list of documents from time to time. In addition, each registrant shall submit such other information as A.I.D. may reasonably require to determine that the organization continues to meet the conditions of registration.

§ 203.4 Certificates of registration.

Certificates of Registration will be issued by A.I.D. to applicants which A.I.D. finds satisfy the conditions and documentation requirements for registration set forth in § 203.2.

§ 203.5 Denial of registration and reconsideration.

(a) *Notification of denial of registration.* If A.I.D. decides to deny an applicant registration, the applicant will be informed in writing of the denial with a specific statement of those conditions and documentation requirements of registration in § 203.2 that the applicant has failed to satisfy.

(b) *Reconsideration.* An applicant may, within 30 days after receipt of a notification of denial of registration, request that A.I.D. reconsider its application for registration and may submit additional information to A.I.D. bearing on its suitability for registration. An applicant requesting reconsideration will be informed in writing of A.I.D.'s decision upon reconsideration. In addition, A.I.D. may, at its own discretion, reconsider a denial of registration at any time.

(c) An applicant may resubmit an application for registration in accordance with § 203.2 at any time.

§ 203.6 Registration of foreign private and voluntary organizations.

(a) For the purpose of this part, foreign PVOs shall consist of the following:

(1) An "indigenous" PVO is a non-U.S. PVO which conducts operations in the country under the laws of which it is organized.

(2) A "regional" PVO is a non-U.S. PVO that is organized under the laws of a country in an A.I.D. geographic region, and conducts operations in more than one country in that region but not in more than one such region.

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(3) A "third country" PVO is a non-U.S. PVO which is not organized under the laws of any country in the A.I.D. geographic region or regions in which it conducts its operations.

(4) An "international" PVO is an organization which is not registered as a U.S. PVO, receives funds from two or more countries, has an international governing body, and conducts operations in one or more A.I.D. geographic regions.

(b) Foreign PVOs shall be registered in accordance with guidance for eligibility of non-U.S. private and voluntary organizations for participation in A.I.D.-supported programs approved by the Deputy Administrator of A.I.D., March 15, 1978 and A.I.D. handbooks, policies, regulations (published or otherwise) and procedures as they may be amended, supplemented or supported from time to time.

§ 203.7 Termination of registration.

(a) Registration shall remain in force until: (1) Relinquished voluntarily by the registrant upon written notice to A.I.D.; or

(2) Terminated by A.I.D. for failure of the registrant to fulfill and maintain the conditions of registration.

(b) Termination proceedings pursuant to paragraph (a)(2) of this section shall include prior written notice to the registrant of the grounds for the proposed termination and opportunity for the registrant to file a written statement as to why its registration should not be terminated.

§ 203.8 Delegation of authority.

(a) The authority to register and to terminate registrations is delegated to: (1) The Assistant Administrator for Food for Peace and Voluntary Assistance, or his/her designee for U.S., international, and third country PVOs.

(2) The Regional Assistant Administrator, or their designees, for regional PVOs within their respective regions; and

(3) The principal A.I.D. officer, or, if there is none, the United States Ambassador, or their designees, for indigenous PVOs.

(b) Notices of registration and terminations of registration issued by the officials in paragraphs (a) (2) and (3) of