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ANNUAL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CONVENTION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

Dear Members and Provincial Organisations

The National Council has directed me to inform and invite you take part at the Canadian Hellenic Congress (CHC) November 2023 annual National Convention which will be held on Sunday, November 26, 2023.

Both the Annual General Meeting and the Conference will be conducted via electronic means. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in the morning of Sunday, November 26, 2023, and the Conference in the afternoon. The AGM will start at 11:00 a.m. and end at 1:00 p.m. The AGM Notice and Agenda is attached to these communications as **Appendix A**.

The afternoon session of the Convention, will be the conference entitled “*Chamuria and the ‘Tsamiko’ Question: The Tale of the Execution of the 49 Procritus by the Chams and its aim*” with retired Lieutenant General Ioannis Baltzois as keynote speaker, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Only regular paid-up members are entitled to have delegates to the Convention. Members whose membership has expired must pay their current membership fees and any outstanding arrears no later than **November 15, 2023**.

Former members, including provincial organisations, who have lost their membership status due to non-participation and non-payment of their membership fees for a period of at least three (3) years are not recognised nor have any rights to be engaged in the business of the AGM and must apply to be reinstated and acquire membership rights.

Any former member, including a provincial organisation, who wishes to be reinstated to full membership status, must apply to the National Council on or before **November 15, 2023**.

The application, which could be in a form of a letter, addressed to the Secretary of the CHC, must:

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- be accompanied by a **certified Board Resolution** signed by all the directors of the Former Member, in which is stated that it freely desires to rejoin the CHC, the Former Member recognises and acknowledges that the CHC as the national Canadian Hellenic institution and accepts, recognises and adheres to the Constitution of 2016, as amended, as the principal governing document, and accepts and recognises the current officers and directors as constituted following the 2022 National Council elections.
- **The former Member must pay the current and all past membership dues to the CHC**, as well as,
- Comply with the membership requirements as set out in Article 9 of the Constitution. (<https://chcnews.org/docs/chcbylaws2016.pdf>)

In accordance with the **CHC Reinstatement Membership Policy**, the National Council is authorised to review and decide on the former member's application for reinstatement.

Non-members can participate at the Convention without a right to vote and may speak at the AGM with the consent of the registered delegates.

The Governance Committee has initiated a review of the current By-laws. If your organisation has any proposal to make changes to the By-laws, please submit your changes to George Manios, Committee Chair. For further information on this matter, contact the Chair at georgemanios@gmail.com, or tel. 647-216-3264 by **November 15, 2023**.

For any questions or further information you may require, please communicate with the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Pelagia Adamidis
Vice-President, Administration and Secretary
October 29, 2023



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APPENDIX A

ANNUAL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CONVENTION

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the National Assembly of the Canadian Hellenic Congress (CHC) will be held on Sunday, November 26, 2023, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. via electronic means.

The Secretary will provide each registered delegate with the relevant information to participate at the electronic meeting one (1) week before the fixed time and date.

The order of business of the Annual General Meeting will be as follows:

1. Constitution of Meeting
2. Election of Speaker
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Report of the President
5. Report of the Executive Vice-President
6. Report of the Treasurer
7. Report of the Secretary
8. Report of the International Relations Vice-President
9. Report of the Regional Vice-Presidents
 - a. Atlantic Region
 - b. Ontario Region
 - c. Quebec Region
 - d. Western and Pacific Region
10. Committee Reports
 - a. Hellenic Genocide Committee
 - b. Macedonian Committee
11. Audit Committee Report
12. Appointment of Audit Committee
13. Policy Resolutions
14. Other Business
15. Adjournment



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The CHC By-laws stipulate that only Members who have paid their membership fees in full are in good standing and are entitled to have delegate representation to the Annual General Meeting.

Members, including provincial organisations, who have not paid their current and past membership dues, must do so immediately and in any event must communicate with the Secretary and arrange for payment of dues. This must be done by no later than **November 15, 2023**.

There will be a registration fee of \$20.00 for each delegate participating via electronic means and voting. For the non-delegates, the registration fee will be \$25.00.

Members, either on their own or through their provincial organisations, are required to select their delegates and/or alternates and submit their names, by completing the Delegate Registration Form, plus registrations fees to the Secretary no later than **November 15, 2023**. Delegate Registration Forms are set out in **Appendix B**, attached to this Notice and Agenda.

The number of delegates each province is entitled to have at the Annual General Meeting is set out in **Schedule A**, attached to this Notice and Agenda.

Any documents required to be provided to the Members, will be sent by the Secretary one (1) week prior to the date of the meeting.

This Notice and Agenda are issued under the authority of section 2, Article 16 of the Constitution.

By Order of the National Council,

Pelagia Adamidis
Vice-President, Administration and Secretary
October 29, 2023



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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023

SCHEDULE A
DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT

Pursuant to Section 3, Article 16 of the CHC By-laws

PROVINCES	NUMBER OF DELEGATES
Atlantic Canada	5
ALBERTA	5
BC	10
MANITOBA	3
ONTARIO	42
QUEBEC	32
SASKATCHEWAN	3

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4, Article 16 of the CHC By-laws, each recognised provincial organisation (congress) is required to select and appoint delegates and/or alternates to the 2023 AGM.

As per Section 8, Article 21 of the CHC By-laws, current directors are automatically delegates to the November 2023 Convention and must be included in the count of the total number of delegates from the province or region from which they emanate.

By a decision of the National Council, the members and/or provincial organisations must submit their delegates and/or alternates and the registration fees by **November 15, 2023**.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE**

November 26, 2023
VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS
DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Position held in organisation: _____

Address of organisation: _____

Website (if applicable): _____

DELEGATE CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: _____

Work phone: _____

Home phone: _____

Fax No.: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Registration Fees: \$20 for Each Delegate.

Make cheque payable to: **Canadian Hellenic Congress**

PLEASE NOTE: Completed Delegate Registration Form together with payment of fees must be submitted on or before **November 15, 2023, to the Secretary.**

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