Statutes of the Association

§ 1 Name, Seat

- (1) The name of the association is HOME for Kids Home for Mental Emergency German Children's Trauma Aid.
- (2) It was entered in the Hamburg Register of Associations on 04.11.2005.
- (3) The seat of the association is Bremen.

§ 2 Purpose

- (1) The Association exclusively and directly pursues charitable or benevolent purposes in accordance with the definition in the 'tax-privileged purposes' section of the German Fiscal Code 1977 (§§51 ff. AO), as amended from time to time.
- (2) The Association's purpose is to help children and young people in need, including initiating, financing and maintaining projects for the treatment of emotionally traumatised children and adolescents at home and abroad.
- (3) All Association projects are based on the principle of complementing self-help and are supported when health insurance or other benefits are not or are no longer provided.
- (4) The Association's purpose may be realised through:
- a. Financial donations within the framework of § 53 AO
- b. Donations in kind
- c. Financing and implementing medical care for mentally distressed children and adolescents by suitable medically and psychosocially trained personnel.
- d. Training and supporting the qualification of specialist personnel who can provide treatment to such children and adolescents.
- e. Preparing and providing educational materials and guidelines for treating children and adolescents, especially in acute and severe crises.
- f. Initiating, financing and maintaining child and youth psychotherapy facilities, at home and abroad.
- (5) The Association shall act selflessly; it shall not pursue primarily economic purposes. Association funds may only be used for purposes in accordance with the statutes. Members of the Association, in their capacity as members, may not receive benefits from Association funds. No person shall be favoured by expenditure that is not aligned with the Association's purpose or that constitutes disproportionately high remuneration.

§ 3 Fiscal Year

The Association's financial year shall be the calendar year.

§4 Membership

- (1) Any natural person or legal entity under private or public law may become a member of the Association.
- (2) Member admission will be decided by the Board.
- (3) Membership ends:
- a) with the death of the member
- b) at the end of a calendar year, when written notice of resignation has been addressed to a Board member at least three months before the end of that calendar year
- c) by exclusion from the Association at a General Assembly, by a 2/3 majority of the voting members present, after hearing from the member concerned. The Board will send written reasons for the exclusion to the member within 2 weeks of the General Assembly.

§ 5 Contributions

- (1) Members shall pay dues in accordance with a resolution made at a General Assembly.
- (2) A 2/3 majority of the members present and entitled to vote at the General Assembly is required to determine the amount and due date of such fees.

§ 6 Organs

The organs of the Association are:

- a) the Executive Board
- b) the General Assembly

§ 7 The Executive Board

- (1) The Executive Board of the Association shall consist of at a minimum of three and a maximum of five people. The Executive Board shall decide on the internal Board in its rules of procedure. The Association shall be represented by two Board members in and out of court.
- (2) The Executive Board shall be elected for a period of five years. Re-election is permissible. Board members shall remain in office until a new election is held.
- (3) The Executive Board may appoint a Managing Director for day-to-day business.
- (4) The Executive Board shall adopt rules of procedure.
- (5) The Executive Board shall be free to appoint a scientific advisory board for advisory purposes.

§ 8 The General Assembly

- (1) The General Assembly of Members shall decide on the election of the Executive Board, the examination and approval of the annual accounts, the discharge of the Executive Board, any amendments to the Statutes, the dissolution of the Association and the exclusion of members.
- (2) The General Assembly shall be convened at least once a year by the Board, and additionally on receipt of a written request from at least 25% of the members. In the latter case, the General Assembly must be convened within four weeks of such a request.
- (3) The invitation to the ordinary meeting shall be made in writing, with four weeks' notice, stating the agenda.
- (4) The General Assembly shall be considered quorate if it has been duly convened.
- (5) Resolutions are passed by a simple majority of the voting members present. Any resolutions on amendments to the Statutes or dissolution of the Association requires a majority of 2/3 of the voting members.
- (6) The General Assembly may also be held in writing or virtually, using modern means of communication, unless 20% of all members object to this procedure.
- (7) Minutes shall be taken of the resolutions, which shall be signed by the Chairperson of the General Assembly and the Chairperson of the Executive Board.

§ 9 Dissolution of the Association and accrual of the Association's assets

In the event of the dissolution of the Association or the discontinuation of tax-privileged purposes, the Association's assets shall go to UNICEF Section Germany, which shall use them exclusively for charitable, benevolent or ecclesiastical purposes.

The Statutes were adopted at the founding meeting on 29.09.2005 and are in accordance with resolutions of the General Assemblies held on 23.11.2010, 07.07.2011, 01.07.2016, 05.12.2019 and 30.08.2022.