



RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

“Where there is no vision, the people perish”

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

- i. VISION
- ii. MISSION STATEMENT
- iii. CORE VALUES
- iv. GOALS
- v. BENEFITS
- vi. SECRETARIAT
STRUCTURE
- vii. EXECUTIVE BODY
- viii. STEPS FOR GROWTH
- ix. FINANCING
- x. EXPENSES
- xi. OPERATION GUIDE
- xii. SUMMARY
- xiii. SHORT TERM
OBJECTIVES

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

i. VISION

- Our community has defeated poverty.
- Our youths are energized to keep our nation strong.
- We are united in our efforts.
- Forward ever, backward never.

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

ii. MISSION STATEMENT

- The mission of RGS is to organize and centralize a body to serve our global Rastafari community. We will provide equal rights and justice representation for our communities worldwide. We will educate, advocate and agitate for our empowerment.

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

iii. Core values

- We honour their names and walk in the footsteps of His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie 1st and Empress Menen.
- We rally around and are strengthened by the foundations built by the elders of our Movement.
- We respect our men, women, elders, youths and needy, and declare each as worthy in Jah sight

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

iv. GOALS

- To organize and centralize the global Rastafari community in a functional administration that will serve with competence, transparency and accountability
- To harness the best available skills, expertise and experience within the global Rastafari community
- To pursue business opportunities for the sustainable development and financial independence of RGS

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

- To seek reparatory justice for crimes committed against Rastafari by the state; and (by extension) seek reparatory justice for crimes against Africans during the trans-Atlantic slave period and subsequent colonialism.
- To advance the “Right to return to Africa” as part of a reparatory justice campaign.
- To support social uplift projects and economic enfranchisement opportunities for Rastafari worldwide

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

- To ensure Rastafari copyright / branding matters are addressed to the advantage of Rastafari
- To disseminate educational materials promoting Rastafari history, lifestyle and worldview, particularly for youth audiences.
- To pursue initiatives to create memorials to elders and leaders of the movement.

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

v. Benefits to organizations

- RGS will provide help in finalizing and executing projects and achievement of development goals
- Participation in the governance and future direction of the Rastafari Nation
- Access to human and financial resources
- Encouragement for review, consolidation, invigoration

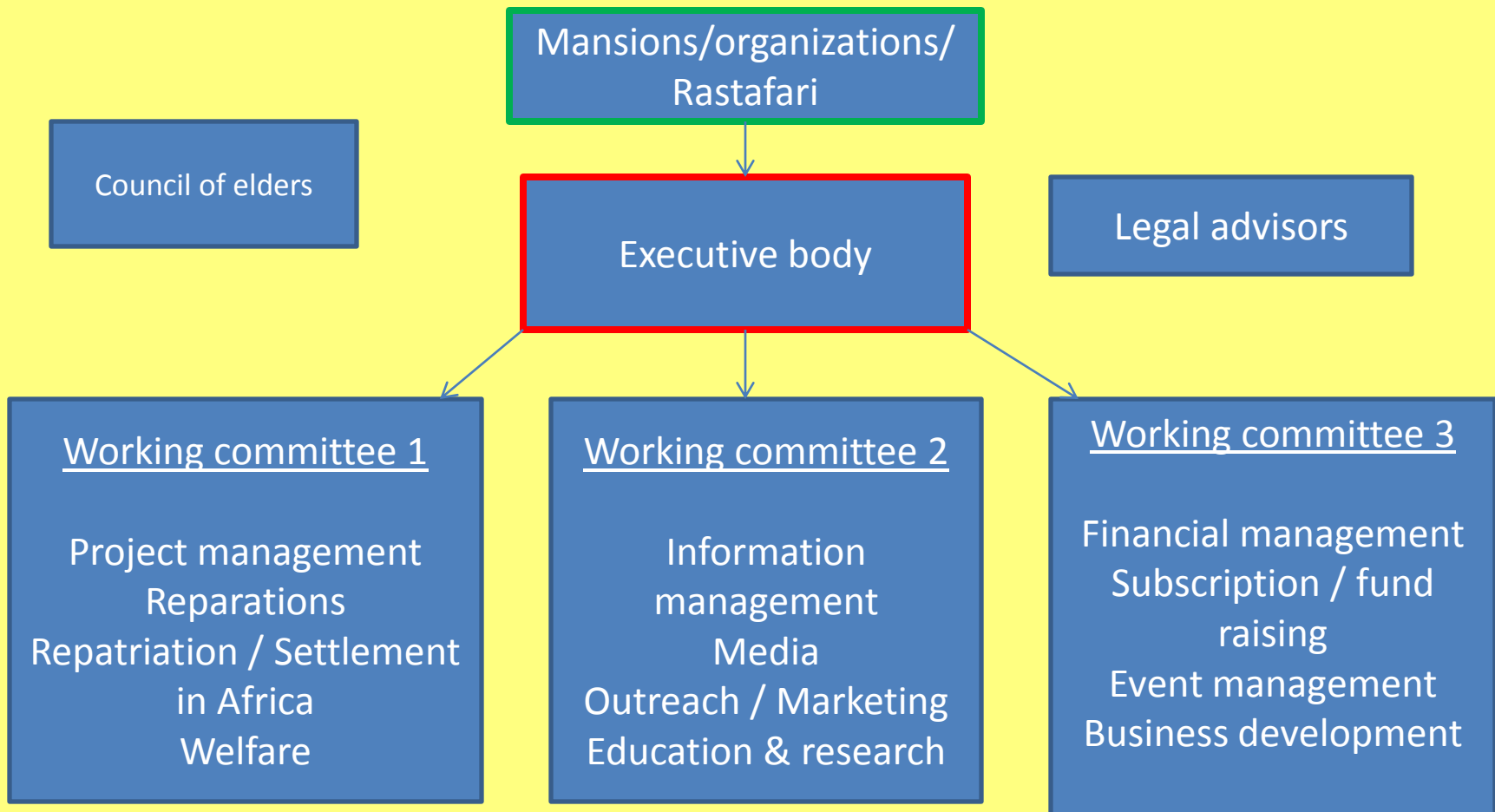
RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

v. Benefits to members

- Representation in the international arena
- Participation in business networks
- Access to human and financial resources
- Official identification with the Rastafari Nation
- Employment opportunities

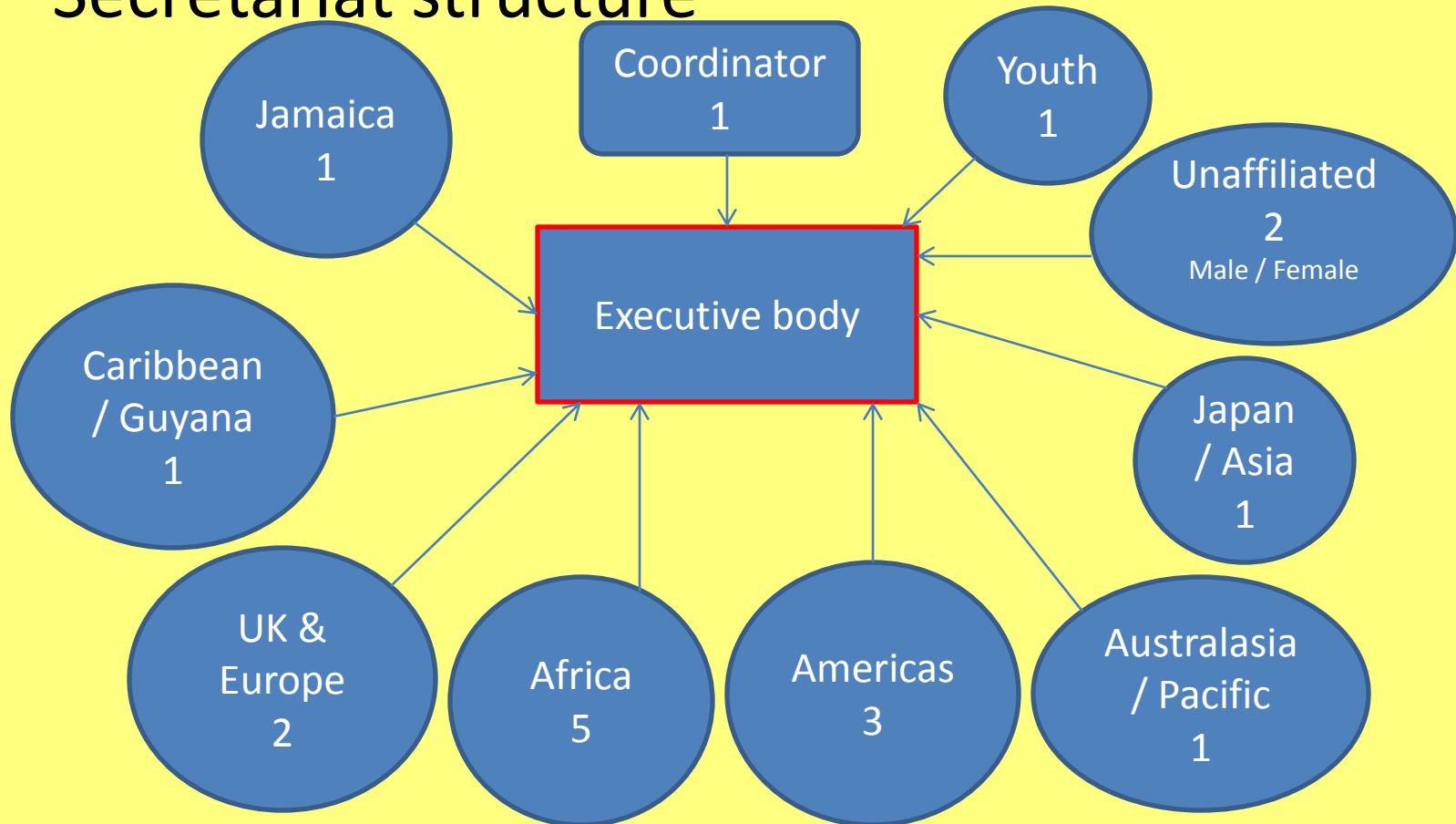
RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

vi. Secretariat structure



RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

- Secretariat structure



RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

vii. Executive body

- Members who will research and recommend community projects from organisations, mansions and individual for RGS assistance
- Members who will make up working committees
- Members who will concretize the long term growth plan of RGS (i.e. legal status, registration, constitution)
- Members will serve 3 – 5 yrs subject to review and renewal
- Members are entitled to payments for services

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

viii. Steps for growth

- Continue promotion of RGS concept to organisations / mansions / individuals
- Open RGS bank account in UK (signatories – from major mansions and NNC-UK)
- Start recruitment of members (US \$10/year membership fee, US \$1/year in Africa)
- Research and recruit members for the Executive body
- Identify community projects for RGS assistance

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

ix. Financing

- Business activities e.g. stage shows, cannabis industry ventures, agriculture, heritage and eco-tourism tours, trading, web advertising
- Business sponsorship/partnership e.g. with existing businesses providing grants, investments, loans, facilities, equipment, etc.
- Donations, subscriptions

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

x. Expenses

- Staff payments, travel, accommodation, office equipment, event planning, rentals, project implementation/assistance, etc.
- Web development, publications, hosting/attending meetings
- Marketing/outreach
- Support services

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

xi. Operation guide Yr 1 (record keeping)

- Monthly review of bank account
- Monthly statement of income
- Monthly statement of expenses / expenditure
- Monthly listing of new and existing members
- Financial statements on year 1

Yr 1 (work planning)

- Coordinator to submit work plan including fund-raising initiatives to members
- Quarterly review and reporting statement of coordinator
- Quarterly review of statement of accounts by coordinator
- Year end report by coordinator on work progress for year 1

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

xii. Summary Why is Rastafari Global Secretariat (RGS) relevant?

- The Rastafari “movement” has served to uplift and give positive direction and purpose to the lives of men and women worldwide. However, Rastafari communities today appear fragmented, disorganized and generally lacking unity of spirit. RGS can bring a change in this status.
- Rastafari communities as separate entities generally have limited financial resources to bring about significant economic enfranchisement to them. RGS can serve to pool capital for the use and benefit of communities globally.
- Rastafari must continue to give direction and hope to world youth
- Rastafari needs to maintain focus on our core values and desires
- The organization supports the UN decade for people of African Descent goals of Recognition, Justice & Development

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

xiii. Short term objectives

- To grow the executive body of RGS from the initial coordinator to a total of five members by the end of year 1 of operation
- To achieve financing of US \$100k during year 1 of operation
- To provide assistance and capacity building to at least two projects /organizations

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

Notes:

- Membership forms are available
- For further information contact

Steve Reid – ste.reid@live.com

Shango Baku – onebaku@hotmail.com

RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT

ONE JAH, ONE AIM, ONE DESTINY

Ras Steve (Asher) Reid, RG interim committee

December 2016