# THE FEDERAL ALLIANCE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA

## CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION

## Institution Specification No. 005

## THE FEDERAL ALLIANCE

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**STATUS**

The Federal Alliance is established by the Federal Constitution as the permanent constitutional institution through which Sovereign States cooperate for their common defence, constitutional order, economic prosperity, and mutual protection.

The Federal Alliance is not a national government.

The Federal Alliance is the constitutional institution that preserves the Alliance.

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**1. PURPOSE**

The Federal Alliance exists to unite Sovereign States without diminishing their constitutional identity.

The Alliance exists to preserve cooperation.

The Alliance exists to prevent domination.

The Alliance exists to ensure that no member State stands alone.

The Alliance therefore safeguards constitutional unity while protecting constitutional diversity.

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**2. CONSTITUTIONAL DEFINITION**

The Federal Alliance is the permanent constitutional institution established by the Federal Constitution through which Sovereign States voluntarily cooperate for matters affecting the common interests of the Alliance.

The Alliance possesses only those powers expressly granted by the Constitution.

All remaining authority remains with the Sovereign States.

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**3. FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLE**

The Alliance shall always exist according to one constitutional rule:

> **The Alliance coordinates.**
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> **The States govern.**

The Alliance shall never replace the constitutional authority of a Sovereign State except where the Constitution expressly requires action for the preservation of the Alliance.

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**4. OBJECTIVES**

The Alliance exists to:

Preserve the Constitution.

Protect every Sovereign State.

Maintain common defence.

Coordinate inter-state cooperation.

Promote economic prosperity.

Protect constitutional continuity.

Maintain federal standards.

Resolve constitutional disputes.

Represent the Alliance internationally.

Encourage the peaceful admission of future member States.

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**5. MEMBERSHIP**

Membership of the Alliance is voluntary.

Admission occurs according to constitutional procedures established by the Federal Constitution.

Upon admission every Sovereign State becomes an equal constitutional partner within the Alliance.

Membership does not extinguish sovereignty.

Membership strengthens sovereignty through constitutional cooperation.

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**6. THE PRINCIPLE OF MUTUAL DEFENCE**

The security of every Sovereign State is the responsibility of the Alliance.

Therefore:

> **An attack upon one Sovereign State constitutes an attack upon the Federal Alliance.**

Every member State shall therefore contribute to the common defence according to constitutional law.

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**7. THE PRINCIPLE OF MUTUAL PROSPERITY**

The prosperity of one State contributes to the prosperity of all.

The Alliance therefore encourages:

Free constitutional cooperation.

Trade.

Infrastructure.

Agriculture.

Innovation.

Investment.

Education.

Shared economic development.

Competition shall never destroy cooperation.

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**8. POWERS OF THE ALLIANCE**

The Federal Alliance shall possess authority only in matters expressly delegated by the Constitution, including:

Common Defence.

Federal Taxation.

International Relations.

Admission of new States.

Federal Constitutional Standards.

Inter-State Infrastructure.

Constitutional Arbitration.

Protection of the Constitution.

Emergency Coordination.

Federal Census.

Federal Archives.

Any additional power shall require constitutional amendment.

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**9. POWERS RESERVED TO THE STATES**

The Alliance shall not administer:

State Government.

State Education.

State Agriculture.

State Municipal Administration.

State Healthcare.

State Justice.

State Culture.

Traditional Institutions.

State Economic Administration.

These responsibilities remain with the Sovereign States unless the Constitution expressly provides otherwise.

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**10. CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATIONS**

The Alliance shall not:

Rule member States.

Dismiss State Governments.

Suspend State institutions.

Interfere in People's Tribunals.

Override Constitutional Guardians.

Exercise powers not expressly delegated.

Create departments beyond constitutional authority.

Assume ownership of State land.

Own the natural resources of any Sovereign State.

The Alliance administers constitutional cooperation.

It does not administer Sovereign States.

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**11. CONSTITUTIONAL REORGANISATION**

The Constitution recognises that Sovereign States may evolve peacefully over time.

Therefore the Constitution provides mechanisms for:

State amalgamation.

Autonomous regions.

Internal constitutional restructuring.

Administrative integration.

Boundary adjustment.

The Constitution encourages constitutional adaptation rather than constitutional separation.

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**12. EXPANSION OF THE ALLIANCE**

The Alliance is open to additional African Nations.

Admission requires:

Recognition of the Federal Constitution.

Acceptance of the Constitutional Trust.

Commitment to Christian Constitutional Philosophy.

Recognition of the sovereignty of existing member States.

Commitment to mutual defence.

Commitment to constitutional government.

Protection of the rights established by the Constitution.

The Alliance shall expand through voluntary constitutional partnership.

Never through conquest.

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**13. THE ALLIANCE AS TRUSTEE**

The Alliance exists in Constitutional Trust.

It does not possess the Alliance.

It safeguards the Alliance for:

The present generation.

Future generations.

Every Sovereign State.

Every Citizen.

The Alliance shall always exist as servant rather than master.

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**14. ACCOUNTABILITY**

The Federal Alliance remains accountable to:

The Constitution.

The Sovereign States.

The People.

The People's Tribunals.

The Federal Constitutional Tribunal.

No institution exists beyond constitutional accountability.

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**15. CONSTITUTIONAL MOTTO**

The Alliance exists according to one constitutional declaration.

**Under God**

**Many Nations.**

**One Constitution.**

**One Alliance.**

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**CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLE**

The Federal Alliance exists because no Sovereign State should ever be compelled to stand alone in defending its liberty, preserving its constitutional identity, or securing the prosperity of its people.

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