# PAULINE HANSON'S ONE NATION NATIONAL CONSTITUTION 2017

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# 1.0 NAME AND CONSTITUTIONAL STANDING

- 1.1 The name of "the Party" is Pauline Hanson's One Nation Political Party "the Name".
  - 1.1.1 The Party may be referred to, known as or described by its abbreviation, "PHON".
  - 1.1.2 The Name is to be adopted and cover all Federal, State and Territory Divisions of the Party operating in the Commonwealth of Australia.
  - 1.1.3 All offices, committees, State Executives or parts of the Party are part of the same political party and subject to the governance powers outlined in this Constitution.
- 1.2 The Party's purpose shall be:
  - 1.2.1 To secure the election of Party representatives to Parliaments at elections contested at the National Executive's discretion; and
  - 1.2.2 To achieve the objectives of the Party
- 1.3 The Party's objectives shall be:
  - 1.3.1 To bring about the necessary changes for fair and equal treatment of all Australians within a system of government recognising, and acting upon, a need for Australia to truly be one nation.
  - 1.3.2 To protect our sovereignty and democracy.
  - 1.3.3 To acknowledge and respect the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders as the first peoples of this land. However, One Nation opposes acknowledging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders in the preamble to the Australian Constitution as One Nation believes that all Australians are owners and custodians of this land and should work toward unification, not segregation, under the one law for all.
  - 1.3.4 One Nation supports Citizens Initiated Referenda giving the people of Australia a voice to oppose, or call for, laws to be implemented.



- 1.3.5 Our children are the future leaders of our nation. They must be given every opportunity to a decent affordable education. Our children must have priority to fill school and university enrolments before those of international students.
- 1.3.6 To actively pursue and promote treaties, investment and development as deemed appropriate and in the national interest and repeal those that are not in our best interests.
- 1.3.7 To honour and respect the men and women who have suffered or lost their lives in the defence and protection of our country and ensure that those, who have given so much for their country and people, are cared for appropriately in time of need.
- 1.3.8 To ensure those convicted of crimes endure appropriate penalties.
- 1.3.9 To seek treaties with other countries to enable non-Australian citizens who have committed a criminal offence carrying a 2 years or longer prison sentence in Australia to be deported to their country, to do their jail term there.
- 1.3.10 To ensure law abiding Australians, with legitimate purpose, will always have access to firearms to undertake various activities including the defence of themselves and their families in their own homes.
- 1.3.11 To ensure our society remains benevolent and caring in its approach to our fellow citizens in genuine need.
- 1.3.12 To treat all Australians equally and justly and with government assistance based on need, not race.
- 1.3.13 To support and advocate traditional family values and uphold the institution of the family in its fight against the many who aim to breakdown this important unit of any decent society.
- 1.3.14 To re-vitalise and support our defence forces and personnel and ensure Australia builds and maintains an appropriate level of national security and defence.
- 1.3.15 To restrict immigration at times when necessary due to high unemployment, overloading on our infrastructure such as roads, water, sewerage, hospitals,



- schools and housing, except that which is related to investment, and is in Australia's best interest.
- 1.3.16 To stop foreign ownership of Australia's agriculture land and established housing.
- 1.3.17 Oppose the sale of public assets without the consent of Australians and repeal United Nations treaties that are detrimental or of no benefit to Australia.
- 1.3.18 To restore tariff protection where appropriate, revitalise and encourage Australian industry and manufacturing and initiate financial support for small business and the rural sector, in particular interest of creating national wealth and employment.
- 1.3.19 To take positive action on matters such as taxation reform, education, health, unemployment, crime, the environment and the discrimination created by political correctness.
- 1.3.20 Marriage between two people of the same sex is a social issue, and One Nation believes all Australians should have the right to vote in a referendum, rather than a vote on the floor of Parliament. If it is to be determined by Parliament, then One Nation members of Parliament will be allowed a conscience vote. We also acknowledge that same sex couples living in defacto relationships should be afforded the same property rights as heterosexuals couples.
- 1.3.21 To re-establish a publicly-owned people's bank like the Commonwealth Bank used to be, prior to it being privatised, to create true competition, value and benefit Australians.
- 1.3.22 To abolish divisive and discriminatory policies, such as those related to Aboriginal and Multicultural Affairs.
- 1.3.23 To protect the environment from industry that will destroy prime agriculture land and water sources. We will oppose CSG mining until a full government impact study is done, as to the ramifications it has on our environment, land and water.



- 1.3.24 To stop the teaching and infiltration of Islam and its totalitarian ideology that opposes our democracy, way of life and laws.
- 1.3.25 To ban the Burga in public places, government buildings and schools.
- 1.3.26 To make genital mutilation of young girls a criminal offence carrying heavy sentences.
- 1.3.27 To stop Islamists with multiple wives from receiving welfare benefits for having multiple wives; we are a Christian country, only one marriage is recognised.
- 1.3.28 Ban the building of any more Mosques.
- 1.3.29 To oppose Sharia Law ever being allowed in Australia. We are a Christian country with one law for all.
- 1.3.30 To implement an Australian Identity Card to be used by Australians accessing taxpayer funded services such as health, education, welfare, pensions and services. For too long Australian taxpayers have been footing the bill for people who are not entitled or submit multiple claims under aliases. Foreigners have been known to abuse our system by using their Australian family's details when visiting the country and this must be addressed.
- 1.3.31 To implement a food labelling system that is conducive as to the origin of the product, Australian made or foreign. Halal certification has no place in Australia when unsuspecting Australians are forced to fund Islamic Mosques and schools. One Nation would stop the practice of Halal Certification on all products, service, and machinery in Australia, other than for export.
- 1.3.32 One Nation will continue to stop illegal immigration by way of boat and air and support temporary protection visas. One Nation supports the refugee programme, but we must have a say in who comes in. We must be mindful to only taking people that are genuine refugees.
- 1.3.33 One Nation opposes increasing the Aged Pension age to 70 and the family home included in the assets test. It is opposed to people on the land only being able to encompass the family home and 5 acres of land before the assets test is applied.



- 1.3.34 Independent retirees who are not eligible for the aged pension must be rewarded by providing health care assistance.
- 1.3.35 One Nation opposes the privatisation of essential services such as water, gas, electricity, telecommunications and defence. This must and should remain in the hands of our governments and not foreign ownership and control.
- 1.3.36 We oppose Agenda 21 and its push for 'sustainable development'. One Nation is committed to protecting the farming sector in time of drought, flood and foreign takeover. If we cannot feed ourselves, we will starve. We cannot allow other countries to use our land to feed their own when we should be growing the food and exporting it.
- 1.3.37 One Nation will repeal or review the 1953 Double Taxation Agreement Act that provides for foreign investors not to pay tax in Australia. Foreign investors take out more in unpaid taxes than Australian companies operating in other countries bring in.
- 1.3.38 To secure the election to public office of members committed to the objectives of the party.

## 2.0 INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 In this constitution:
  - 2.1.1 Words expressed in the singular shall include the plural;
  - 2.1.2 Words or expressions in the masculine form shall include the feminine form and vice versa.
- 2.2 Where, "executive" is referred to without clarification of whether the State or National Executive is being referred to, it should be assumed, unless leading to a bizarre result, that the National Executive is being referred to.
- 2.3 If any provision or provisions of this constitution are deemed invalid or unenforceable, then the remaining provisions of this document shall remain in full force and effect and this document shall be deemed to have been amended to remove such invalid provision or provisions.



### 3.0 POWERS

- 3.1 The National Executive is to operate as the superior governing body of the Party with regards to its Responsibilities.
- 3.2 The Responsibilities of the National Executive will be:
  - 3.2.1 To exercise the powers of the Party in pursuit of the objectives of the Party;
  - 3.2.2 The authorisation, set-up, management and operation of bank accounts as deemed necessary by the National Executive;
  - 3.2.3 The promotion of the objectives of the Party;
  - 3.2.4 The formation and disbanding of subordinate bodies, divisions, executives, executive bodies or committees as deemed necessary by the National Executive;
    - 3.2.4.1 The National Executive shall have the power to disband any subordinate body, division or committee at its discretion for the protection of the Party.
    - 3.2.4.2 The National Executive shall have the power to expel from the Party or remove from their position of office any individual in any subordinate body, division, executive body or committee.
  - 3.2.5 Make decisions relating to the Party's involvement or non-involvement in any election as deemed necessary by the National Executive;
  - 3.2.6 Put in place procedure to oversee the selection and vetting of suitable candidates for any relevant elections;
  - 3.2.7 The performance of all such acts/operations that the National Executive deems necessary for the proper management of, and in the interests of, the Party.
  - 3.2.8 To select or nominate other office holders.
    - 3.2.8.1 If positions become vacant in any position the National Executive can nominate a replacement.
    - 3.2.8.2 Nominations for replacement in regard to the National Executive shall not be required if the absence of the member does not leave the National Executive in contravention of its minimum member or required positions obligations.



- 3.3 The National Executive is to establish a State Constitution for each region and territory as required by the respective governing electoral bodies.
- 3.4 The National Executive will have the power to assign State Executive roles immediately after registration of the Party in any relevant state or territory.

# 4.0 THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

- 4.1 The National Executive is to be comprised of no less than three (3) persons.
- 4.2 The positions of President, National Treasurer and National Secretary shall always exist on the National Executive.
- 4.3 The President of the National Executive is to be recognized as the senior executive officer of the Party.
  - 4.3.1 The President shall be the registered officer of all divisions therein of the Party by default.
    - 4.3.1.1 The President may delegate the position of registered officer for any subordinate body of the Party to any other State or National Executive member or to someone who is not a State or National Executive member as deemed necessary by Electoral commissions or other circumstances.
    - 4.3.1.2 The President may revoke any delegation that he/she makes in this respect without prior notice and at their sole discretion.
    - 4.3.1.3 For this section, registered officer is to be taken to mean the person who is nominated as the primary liaison for the Party to any relevant Electoral Commission.
  - 4.3.2 The President of the Party is Pauline Lee Hanson.
    - 4.3.2.1 Upon resigning from the position of President, Pauline Lee Hanson shall appoint her successor to become the next President of the Party.
    - 4.3.2.2 The President of the Party following Pauline Lee Hanson's successor shall be appointed by majority vote of the National Executive.
      - 4.3.2.2.1 This will apply to the appointment of all Party presidents



# beyond Pauline Lee Hanson's successor.

- 4.4 The National Executive Secretary is responsible for:
  - 4.4.1 The day to day administration and official correspondence of the Party;
  - 4.4.2 Recording the minutes of the National Executive meetings.
- 4.5 The National Treasurer shall be the administer of the finances of the Party in accordance with their responsibilities, which are:
  - 4.5.1 To ensure that all fees, donations and other monies collected by the Party are paid into the relevant and correct bank accounts as authorised by the National Executive from time to time;
  - 4.5.2 To ensure that accurate accounts are kept regarding the financial matters of the Party;
  - 4.5.3 To ensure that payments authorised by the National Executive are made in accordance with any supplier's terms as required;
  - 4.5.4 To ensure that any day to day payments required for the administration and function of the Party are made as required;
  - 4.5.5 To, at a National Executive meeting, ensure that completed accounts including income and expenditure for the period prior to the last meeting are presented to the National Executive whenever they may be requested by members of the National Executive;
  - 4.5.6 To provide a Financial Year report at the end of Financial Year to the National Executive;
  - 4.5.7 To ensure that the Party complies with all financial and disclosure obligations required of it by law.
- 4.6 Any role, responsibility, duty or power enjoyed by the National Executive or one of its members may be delegated to an individual or body that is not the National Executive.
  - 4.6.1 Such a delegation may only occur with the unanimous agreement of the National Executive.
  - 4.6.2 The delegation must be made in writing, with an express outline of the powers or responsibilities being given to the individual or body.



- 4.6.3 The National Executive or the individual member that originally held the power or responsibility may at any point, without notice or explanation, revoke the delegation and overturn any decisions made by the delegated person or body.
- 4.7 The National Executive may meet as often as it deems necessary but must meet at least bi-monthly.
  - 4.7.1 A meeting may take place in person, via teleconference, conference call, or any other electronic or physical methods or combination of methods whereby the National Executive members in attendance may all be heard and which the National Executive believes will not compromise the confidentiality of the meeting.
  - 4.7.2 A quorum of the National Executive is achieved when 75% or greater of the members of the National Executive are in attendance.
  - 4.7.3 A simple majority shall review, discuss and then decide on all matters before the National Executive for consideration at that time.
    - 4.7.3.1 The National Executive has the option to defer deciding on any matter presented at a meeting.

## 5.0 MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 Membership is open to any individual who:
  - 5.1.1 Is over 18 years of age and agrees to the objectives of the Party
  - 5.1.2 Has paid the membership fee as prescribed by the Party and set by the National Executive from time to time
  - 5.1.3 Agrees to uphold this Constitution and their relevant State Constitution if enacted
  - 5.1.4 Agrees to not bring the Party into disrepute either through their conduct or conduct reckless of care.
  - 5.1.5 Has submitted a completed application form to the Party providing, in it, the Required Information.
    - 5.1.5.1 The required Information for a membership application shall be determined by the National Executive from time to time but in an



absence of such determination the minimum Required Information will be the applicant's:

- 5.1.5.1.1 Full Name;
- 5.1.5.1.2 Date of Birth;
- 5.1.5.1.3 Residential Address.
- 5.1.5.2 The form may be digital or physical.
- 5.1.6 Has not been convicted of a disqualifying electoral offence in the 10 years prior to their application to become a member
  - 5.1.6.1 No Member who is convicted of a disqualifying electoral offence may continue to be a member. Their membership will be deemed to have immediately ceased upon conviction.
- 5.1.7 The Party may, for its own protection, at the National Executive's discretion and without explanation of grounds:
  - 5.1.7.1 Reject any application for membership to the Party.
  - 5.1.7.2 Cease or suspend or resign any person's membership to the Party subject to the rules of procedural fairness.
- 5.2 Membership is taken to begin at the relevant processing of that membership application, of which a date will be recorded in the Party's relevant membership database.
- 5.3 Only current financial, unhindered members of the Party shall be eligible to:
  - 5.3.1 Be considered for candidature for the Party;
  - 5.3.2 Vote in relevant Party matters as determined and required by the National Executive:
    - 5.3.2.1 Members may only be eligible to vote on such matters after being a member for more than three months.
- 5.4 Members may resign by submitting notice to the Party.
  - 5.4.1 The notice must provide a reason for the resignation;
  - 5.4.2 The notice may be communicated over the phone, in writing or electronically.
    - 5.4.2.1 If notice is not communicated in person it must be communicated



from the address the Party holds on its databases for that respective communication medium.

That is to say for example, if a member calls the Party to give notice of their resignation, they must call on the number that the Party has listed as a contact for that member in its database, so as to verify the member's identity.

- 5.5 Membership is valid until thirty days after the expiry date if no renewal is received before then.
  - 5.5.1 If no payment is received before thirty days after the expiry date the member will be deemed to have lapsed in membership, and any renewal beyond this point is to be treated as a new membership application.
- 5.6 The President may, in exceptional circumstances and with the agreement of the National Executive, approve the membership of any person who may otherwise be prohibited from membership.

# 6.0 MEETINGS

- 6.1 The Annual General Meeting of the Party is to be held as soon as practicable after 1

  July bi-yearly or as determined by the National Executive from time to time.
  - 6.1.1 An invitation is to be extended to all members either electronically or in writing 45 days before the convention of an Annual General Meeting.

# 7.0 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

- 7.1 Written notice must be provided to the National Executive of any proposals to amend, add, modify or otherwise change this Constitution.
  - 7.1.1 The above also applies to any changes to State Constitutions.
- 7.2 This Constitution has been ratified for presentation as a new Constitution for Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party at the 2017 Annual General Meeting on 24 August 2017.
  - 7.2.1 This Constitution will come into effect immediately upon a majority vote by members at the 2017 Annual General Meeting.

