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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
**Act No. 18 of 1976**

[L.S.]

**AN ACT for the Incorporation of the Trinidad and Tobago  
National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations.**

*[Assented to 19th May, 1976]*

**WHEREAS** there has been established for many years in  
Trinidad and Tobago an Association known as "The  
Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher  
Associations."

Preamble

And whereas it is expedient that the said Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations should be incorporated for the purpose of exercising the powers hereinafter set forth:

## Enactment

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Representatives of Trinidad and Tobago, and by the authority of the same as follows:—

## Short title

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations (Incorporation) Act, 1976.

## Incorporation

**2.** The Trinidad and Tobago Council of Parent-Teacher Associations shall be and is hereby created a body corporate.

Aims and  
Objects

**3.** The aims and objects of the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations are:—

- (a) to promote the welfare of children and young persons at home, school, church and in the community;
- (b) to raise the standard of living at home and in the community;
- (c) to secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and young persons;
- (d) to bring into closer relationship the home and the school so that parents and teachers may co-operate intelligently in the training of the child;
- (e) to develop between educators, parents and the general public such united efforts as will secure for every child the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, cultural and spiritual education;
- (f) to co-ordinate the activities of all member unit parent-teacher associations in Trinidad and Tobago (hereinafter referred to as "member units") and to encourage the formation and development of new Parent-Teacher Associations;

- (g) to collect and disseminate such information and techniques as may give guidance and direction to member units with the view to increasing their capacity for services and to assist them in the use of the best Parent-Teacher Association practices;
- (h) to keep the public and all member units abreast of modern methods of education and to have them informed on matters;
- (i) to encourage closer relationship among Parent-Teacher Associations by means of conferences, group projects and by participation in matters of mutual interest and concern;

4. The Corporate body hereby created shall have <sup>Powers of</sup> power:— <sub>the Association</sub>

- (a) to acquire by purchase, transfer, donation, exchange, devise, bequest, grant, gift, conveyance or howsoever otherwise any real or personal property or any estate or interest therein;
- (b) to take over any real or personal property of whatsoever nature now vested in any person or persons for and on behalf of the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations and the same are hereby vested in the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations;
- (c) to accept surrenders or re-conveyances and to enter into contracts;
- (d) subject to any restraint, reservation or condition contained in the document under which it shall have acquired title thereto, to sell, demise, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of and deal with all property which may, for the time being, be vested in or have been acquired by it;

- (e) to purchase, take on lease, exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any real and personal property and any rights of privileges necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations;
- (f) to sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of the Property of the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations;
- (g) to borrow any moneys required for the purposes of The Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations upon such terms and upon such securities as may be determined;
- (h) to do all such other acts and things as are incidental, auxiliary or conducive to the furtherance and attainment of the general aims and objects of the said aforementioned Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations.

Exercise of  
power subject  
to resolution

5. The exercise of the power conferred by section 4 is subject to a resolution of the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations.

Mode of  
execution  
of documents

6. All documents requiring the Seal of the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations shall be sealed with its common seal in the presence of its President and Secretary for the time being in office who shall both sign every such document, and such signing shall be *prima facie* evidence that the said seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations.

Service of  
documents on  
the Association

7. (1) The Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations shall at all times have a fixed address for the service of documents on the body corporate and that address and any change thereof shall be registered with the Registrar General within twenty-eight days of the date of incorporation or the change of address as the case may be.

(2) Every document to be served on the body corporate may be served by leaving the same at, or by sending the same by registered post to the registered address of the body corporate.

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations liable to a fine of one hundred and twenty dollars and to a further fine of ten dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

8. The Trinidad and Tobago National Council of Parent-Teacher Associations may make rules for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties, powers and functions with power to vary or revoke such rules. Rules of the Association

9. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, or of any bodies politic or corporate or of any persons, except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and claiming by, through, from or under them. Saving of Crown or other rights

Passed in the Senate this 24th day of February, 1976.

R. GRIFFITH  
*Clerk of the Senate*

Passed in the House of Representatives this 2nd day of April, 1976.

J. E. CARTER  
*Clerk of the House*

