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[Direction of Management](#) [DOM] (1970)

- 1) "They should remain for good" is based on his CHARACTER requirement that they REMAIN good.
- 2) The (DOM) was NEVER REVOKED or RESCINDED by Srila Prabhupada, that being the case Direction Of Management system has to be followed.
- 3) It is ONLY Satsvarupa who WANTS to believe that it GBC has to be elected by the votes of the GBC. Srila Prabhupada IGNORES him in THAT conversation:

Prabhupada: ANOTHER SHOULD BE ELECTED.

Satsvarupa: By the votes of the present GBC. (he is just ignored by Srila Prabhupada)

Srila Prabhupada did NOT say that GBC votes GBC in power and Direction of Management has been now been replaced. Srila Prabhupada NEVER ordered the replacement of [Direction of Management](#). Simple as that!

In actual FACT, in 1974 TWICE Srila Prabhupada asks to REFER TO Direction of Management. The bogus MANIPULATIVE GBC have created a elite bunch of SELF-APPOINTED management structure AMONG THEMSELVES that is DESTRUCTIVE and ABUSIVE to the devotees: they can REMOVE Temple Presidents who do not agree with them. They have created a HAVOC.

Prabhupada: SO PHALENA PARICIYATE. YOU HAVE TO CONSIDER THE CASE, SUPPOSE A MAN WAS VERY GOOD NOW HE HAS STOLEN SOMETHING STILL HE IS A GOOD MAN? PRESENT CONSIDERATION IS THE JUDGEMENT

SB 1.17.41 P Punishment and Reward of Kali

IF A BRAHMANA IS NOT TRUTHFUL, ALL HIS CLAIMS AS A BRAHMANA AT ONCE BECOME NULL AND VOID. IF A SANNYASI IS ILLICITLY CONNECTED WITH WOMEN, ALL HIS CLAIMS AS A SANNYASI AT ONCE BECOME FALSE.

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Satsvarupa: Srila Prabhupada, we were all asked by the rest of the GBC to come to ask some questions. Most... THESE ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE ORIGINAL GBC AS YOU FIRST MADE IT UP. So our first question is about the GBC members. We want to know how long should they remain in office?

Prabhupada: **THEY should remain for good.**

Tamala Krsna: They should remain for good.

Prabhupada: **SELECTED MEN are chosen, so they cannot be changed.**

Rather, if some competent man comes, he should be added. I shall recommend that Vasudeva become one of the GBC.

Tamala Krsna: Vasudeva is Deoji Punja. He's the founder of our... He's building the temple in Fiji.

Prabhupada: How many GBC's are there already?

Tamala Krsna: Twenty-three.

Prabhupada: So add him. GBC is not to be changed.

Satsvarupa: But then, in the event that some **PRESENT** GBC member leaves, either leaves...

Prabhupada: ANOTHER SHOULD BE ELECTED.

Satsvarupa: By the votes of the present GBC. Then our next question concerns initiations in the future, particularly at that time when you're no longer with us. We want to know how first and second initiation would be conducted.

Prabhupada: Yes. I shall recommend some of you. After this is settled up, I shall recommend some of you to act as officiating acaryas.

Tamala Krsna: Is that called rtvik-acarya?

Prabhupada: [Rtvik, yes.](#)

Note: Perhaps the most misunderstood instruction is "They should remain for good." Sometimes some devotees say "GBC for Life". Now, if a GBC is a child molester or a rapist or a murderer this may warrant his removal correct?

This is exactly why Srila Prabhupada has **NOT REVOKED** the [Direction of Management](#)

3. The commissioners will serve for a period of 3 years, and they MAY BE RE-ELECTED at the end of this period. GBC who is re-elected every 3 years can serve in his post for good –**PROVIDING HE IS ***RE-ELECTED*** AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN EVERY 3 YEARS IF HE IS DEEMED GOOD. "FOR GOOD" TERM CAN NOT APPLY IF HE IS NOT GOOD. IF HE IS GOOD HE CAN SERVE FOR GOOD BECAUSE HE WILL BE-RELECTED. THE PROCESS IS ABOUT**

*****RE-ELECTION***. IT PREVENTS AUTOMATIC RIGHT TO CONTINUE FOR GOOD IF THE CHARACTER IS DEEMED UNFIT FOR THE POST.**

Note: PRESENT CONSIDERATION IS THE JUDGEMENT

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Prabhupada: SO PHALENA PARICIYATE. YOU HAVE TO CONSIDER THE CASE, SUPPOSE A MAN WAS VERY GOOD NOW HE HAS STOLEN SOMETHING STILL HE IS A GOOD MAN? PRESENT CONSIDERATION IS THE JUDGEMENT... There is a Bengali proverb that seven generations before my forefathers used to eat ghee, ghee butter so still I got this smell.

Devotee (1): Hm.

Prabhupada: SEVEN GENERATIONS BEFORE MY FOREFATHERS USED TO EAT GHEE SO THEREFORE THAT SMELL IS STILL THERE IN MY HOUSE. IS THAT VERY GOOD ARGUMENT?

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"A devotee should have intelligence to know who is deviating. SURRENDER BY YOUR INTELLIGENCE BUT DON'T SURRENDER YOUR INTELLIGENCE." (SP to Bali Mardana, 1974)

DIRECTION OF MANAGEMENT (1970)

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, INCORPORATED FOUNDER-ACHARYA: HIS DINE GRACE A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI PRABHUPADA

[DIRECTION OF MANAGEMENT](#) - I, the undersigned, A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami, disciple of Om Visnupad Paramhansa 108 Sri Srimad Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati Gosvami Maharaj Prabhupada, came in the United States in 1965 on September 18th for the purpose of starting Krishna Consciousness Movement. For one year I had no shelter. I was travelling in many parts of this country. Then in 1966, July, I incorporated the Society under the name and style the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, briefly ISKCON. The lawyer was Mr. J. Goldsmith. Gradually the Society increased, and one after another branches were opened. Now we have got thirty-four (34) branches enlisted herewith:

Amsterdam, Holland

Atlanta, Georgia.....1476 Oxford Rd. N.E. 30322

Baltimore, Maryland.....1300 N. Calvert St.

Berkeley, California.....2710 Durant Avenue 94704

Berlin, West Germany
 Boston, Massachusetts..... 40 N. Beacon St. 02134
 Boulder, Colorado.....623 Concord St.
 Buffalo, New York.....40 Englewood Ave. 14214
 Chicago, Illinois.....2210 N. Halstead St.
 Columbus, Ohio.....318 East 20th Ave. 43201
 Detroit, Michigan.....74 West Forest St. 48201
 Edinburgh, Scotland, U.K.
 Hamburg, West Germany.....2000 Hamburg 6, Bartelstrasse 65
 Honolulu, Hawaii.....2016 McKinley St. 96822
 Laguna Beach, California.....130 Woodland Drive 92651
 London, England.....7 Bury Place, Bloomsbury, W..C. 1
 Los Angeles, California.....3764 Watseka Ave. 90034
 Montreal, Canada.....3720 Park Ave.
 New Vrndavana, W. Virginia...RD 3 Moundsville 26041
 New York City, New York..... 61 Second Ave. 10003
 Paris, France.....c/o Serge Elbeze, BO 113 Paris 14
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.....416 South 10th St. 19147
 Provincetown, Massachusetts...104 Bradford St.
 San Diego, California.....3689 Park Blvd.
 San Francisco, California.....618 Frederick St. 94117
 San Jose, California.....70 Hawthorne Way
 Santa Barbara, California6654 del Playa, Goleta 93017
 Seattle, Washington.....n5516 Roosevelt Way N.E. 98105
 St. Louis, Missouri.....4544 LaClede Ave. 63110
 Sydney, Australia.....298 Birrell St. Bondi, N.S.W. 2026
 Tokyo, Japan.....6-16, 2 Chome Ohhashi, Meguro-Ku
 Toronto, Canada.....40 Beverly St., Ontario
 Vancouver, Canada.....260 Raymur St., No. 305, B.C.
 Washington, D.C.....2015 Q Street N.W. 20009

As we have increased our volume of activities, now I think a Governing Body Commission (hereinafter referred to as the GBC) should be established. I am getting old, 75 years old, therefore at any time I may be out of the scene, therefore I think it is necessary to give instruction to my disciples how they shall manage the whole institution. They are already managing individual centers represented by one president, one secretary and one treasurer, and in my opinion they are doing nice. But we want still more improvement in the standard of Temple management, propaganda for Krishna Consciousness, distribution of books and literatures, opening of new centers and educating devotees to the right standard. Therefore, I have decided to adopt the following principles and I hope my beloved disciples will kindly accept them. There was a meeting in San Francisco during the Ratha Yatra festival 1970 and many presidents of the centers were present. In that meeting it was resolved that an ad hoc committee be set up to form the constitution which is taken into consideration. My duty was to first appoint twelve (12) persons to my free choice amongst my disciples and I do it now and their names are as follows:

1. Sriman Rupanuga Das Adhikary
2. Sriman Bhagavandas Adhikary
3. Sriman Syamsundar Das Adhikary
4. Sriman Satsvarupa Das Adhikary
5. Sriman Karandhar Das Adhikary
6. Sriman Hansadutta Das Adhikary
7. Sriman Tamala Krsna Das Adhikary
8. Sriman Sudama Das Adhikary
9. Sriman Bali Mardan Das Brahmachary
10. Sriman Jagadisa Das Adhikary
11. Sriman Hayagriva Das Adhikary
12. Sriman Krsnadas Adhikary

These personalities are now considered as my direct representatives. While I am living they will act as my zonal secretaries and after my demise they will be known as

Executors.

I have already awarded Sannyas or the renounced order of life to some of my students and they have also got very important duties to perform in this connection. The Sannyasis will travel to our different centers for preaching purpose as well as enlightening the members of the center for spiritual advancement. The Sannyasis will suggest for opening new centers in suitable places and the GBC will take action on it.

As was stipulated by the ad hoc committee, the function of the GBC will be as follows with particulars: **PARTICULARS OF THE GOVERNING BODY COMMISSION** "The purpose of the Governing Body Commission is to act as the instrument for the execution of the Will of His Divine Grace. And further,

1. The GBC oversees all operations and management of ISKCON, as it receives direction from Srila Prabhupada and His Divine Grace has the final approval in all matters.
 2. His Divine Grace will select the initial 12 members of the GBC. In the succeeding years the GBC will be elected by a vote of all Temple presidents who will vote for 8 from a ballot of all Temple presidents, which may also include any secretary who is in charge of a Temple. Those 8 with the greatest number of votes will be members for the next term of GBC. Srila Prabhupada will choose to retain four commissioners. In the event of Srila Prabhupada's absence, the retiring members will decide which four will remain.
 3. THE COMMISSIONERS WILL SERVE FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS, AND THEY MAY BE RE-ELECTED AT THE END OF THIS PERIOD.
 4. The chairman is elected by the GBC for each meeting. He has no veto power, but in even of a vote tie, his vote will decide. The same will apply for votes cast by mail between regular meetings.
 5. Throughout the year, each of the commissioners will stay with His Divine Grace for one month at a time and keep the other commissioners informed of His Divine Grace's instructions.
 6. The primary objective of the GBC is to organize the opening of new Temples and to maintain the established Temples.
 7. Advice will be given by the GBC in cases of real property purchases, which will be in the name of ISKCON, INC. (Trucks or other vehicles will be purchased in the name of the local president).
 8. REMOVAL OF A TEMPLE PRESIDENT BY THE GBC REQUIRES SUPPORT BY THE LOCAL TEMPLE MEMBERS.
 9. The GBC has no jurisdiction in the publication of manuscripts, which will be handled by a separate committee; profits to be returned to Srila Prabhupada." So far my books are concerned, I am setting up a different body of management known as the [BHAKTIVEDANTA BOOK TRUST](#). The trustees of this body are also members of the GBC, but their function is not dependent on the GBC.
- ISKCON Press was created for the exclusive publication of my books and literatures and should be continued in that way.

During my absence no one shall live in my apartment.

ACB

A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

Witnessed by:

Date July 28th 1970

(Robert F. Corens)

Rupanuga das Adhikary

(William R. Ehrlichman)

Bhagavan das Adhikary

(Kelly Gifford Smith)

Karandhar das Adhikary

Date July 28th, 1970

At the World Head Quarters

3764, Watseka Avenue

Los Angeles, California 90034

Note: the PROTECTION for Temple Presidents was enshrined in [Direction Of Management](#) by Srila Prabhupada:

74-11-07 Letter: Rupanuga:

ACBS.bs -- N.B. Regarding replacing Abhirama and Damodara I refer to the "Direction of Management" as follows: "REMOVAL OF A TEMPLE PRESIDENT BY GBC REQUIRES SUPPORT BY THE LOCAL TEMPLE MEMBERS." THEREFORE YOU SHOULD TAKE A VOTE OF THE TEMPLE MEMBERS AND DO THE NEEDFUL. - A.C.B.S.

74-11-08 Letter: Rupanuga:

Regarding Abhirama, in your letter you mention that in Miami it is so important center, 65 devotees, growing each day, ideal location. So Abhirama, has done this. He has done much service. He cannot be removed whimsically. Sex disturbance is the permanent disease of the Western people. ANYWAY I HAVE ALREADY WRITTEN YOU THAT THE LOCAL MEMBERS MUST AGREE FOR HIM TO BE REMOVED BY YOU, ACCORDING TO THE "DIRECTION OF MANAGEMENT." Regarding his divorce enclosed is one letter dated 1.10.74 regarding this.