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BY MAIL

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Dear Ms. Leddy:

RE: Ananda Marga Canada
Corporation Number: 010141-9

As indicated in Alexander Protic's letters dated November 25, 2014 we received your request to amend the by-laws of the above-mentioned corporation.

Please know that we received an objection to the approval of the proposed by-law amendments (see attached letter). You have the opportunity to respond to this objection. If you wish to respond to the objection, please send us your response by December 10, 2014 at the latest. We kindly ask that you also copy the objectors. In the event of a response within that timeframe, the process provides the opportunity to those objecting to the proposed amendments to reply to your response as a final step.

If we do not receive a response from you by December 10, 2014, we will proceed with our review of the proposed amendments to by-laws. Corporations Canada determines whether to grant Ministerial approval based on whether the proposed by-law amendments conform to the requirements of the CCA II and related policies. Any concerns raised will be considered within the context of that determination.

Regards,

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Enclosure.

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November 21, 2014

Re: Ananda Marga Canada - Corporation No. 10141-9

Objection to Proposed By-Law Amendments submitted by Jennifer M. Leddy of Carters Professional Corporation - October 27, 2014

Dear Sir or Madam,

We write to register our objection to the approval of the proposed by-law amendments of Ananda Marga Canada. We, long-time followers of Ananda Marga's meditation and yoga practices, have been actively involved in running our various service projects here for many decades and have been providing the financial support for these projects as well as for the living expenses of the full time workers here. We regularly attend Ananda Marga functions and many of us have been on the board of directors during its 41 year history.

We object to the approval of the proposed by-law amendments. There was never any notification to the general members to amend the by-laws, nor a general meeting to discuss or vote on any by-law amendments. The effect of such approval would be counter to the best interests of the corporation. It would reduce the already miniscule number of voting members further. It would prevent diocese workers who actually live and work with general members in Canada from having membership and voting rights. It would keep our members entirely in the dark in regards to issues under consideration by the board of directors which affect us. It would reduce transparency and facilitate unilateral action under a cloak of secrecy. It would reduce board accountability and reduce confidence in the corporation, making it difficult to obtain donations, manage any project here or ensure fiscal responsibility.

The current by-laws are laden with provisions which contravene the NFP Act, things such as ex-officio directors, the power of one person to appoint or remove any director without any vote by the board, directors who are subordinate to others (not at arm's length), a majority of non-resident Canadians on the board, control of Ananda Marga Canada by a foreign charity. The current by-laws also do not permit anyone not on the board of directors to vote. This is unacceptable and not in keeping with the spirit and letter of the original incorporation (1973) letters patent and by-laws or current requirements of Industry Canada which supercede them. Any changes to current by-laws should reflect the current laws, policies and beliefs that are embodied in the NFP Act and not exacerbate an already unacceptable situation that is steeped in despotism.

We, who over decades have given thousands of hours of our time, and donated thousands of dollars, are by any reasonable definition members of Ananda Marga Canada, and must be given the right to a say in our charity.

Sincerely,

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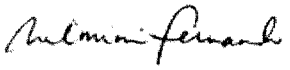

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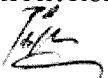

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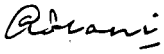

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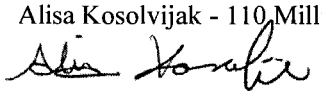

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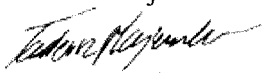

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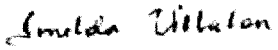
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