Preamble

To improve our total environment and provide a quality education.
To increase our individual opportunity for participation and responsibility and to safeguard our rights.
To do these by encouraging the generation and stimulation of ideas and putting them into action.

There are our goals.
To pursue them, we must as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Undergraduate Association face a new organization.

Article I

The name of this organization shall be the Technology Undergraduate Association.

Article II

Membership

All registered undergraduates at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who are not registered members of this organization, the membership to be subject to such rules and regulation as heretofore be framed for and by this organization.

Article III

Undergraduate Assembly

Section 1. All legislative, executive and judicial powers and responsibilities of this organization shall be vested in the representative body known as the Undergraduate Assembly.

Section 2. The Undergraduate Assembly shall make recommendations in any area. The class governments shall be responsible for the Undergraduate Assembly. The Undergraduate Assembly shall have jurisdiction over all Association student activities members and over its committees.

An activity which is sponsored by a living group and which involves M.I.T. facilities or campus services or involves people outside a living group is subject to the jurisdiction of the Undergraduate Assembly. If a question as to whether a matter is covered by this paragraph arises, a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Undergraduate Assembly is required to declare it covered by the paragraph.

Section 3. All acts and decisions of the Undergraduate Assembly shall be the acts and decisions of this Association, except that on petition presented in writing by ten percent (10%) of the voting membership of the Undergraduate Assembly, within fifteen (15) school days of the enacting of such acts and decisions of the Undergraduate Assembly, the question shall be referred to the Assembly as provided in Section 4. Original legislation may be referred to the Assembly at any time by any three (3) members of the Undergraduate Assembly.

Section 4. On receipt of a petition presented in accordance with Section 3, the President of the Undergraduate Assembly, shall, within four (4) days, issue a call for a general vote of the Undergraduate Assembly. Such a call may only be issued if the call is made to the Undergraduate Assembly. The call shall be made by the President within seven (7) days of the receipt of the petition, or by such deadline as the Assembly shall determine. The call shall be issued by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the ballot cast, provided that at least a one-third (1/3) of the Undergraduate Assembly shall sign the petition.

Section 6. The President of the Undergraduate Assembly shall be the Undergraduate Assembly. He shall have the power to appoint a Vice President and a Secretary. The President shall be the chairman of the Finance Board, and shall be a member of the Committee of the President. These officers shall constitute a non-voting committee of the Undergraduate Assembly. In addition, the Ombudsman shall be present at all Executive Council meetings, and shall be kept informed of the business of the Council, and shall coordinate all committees and task groups.

Article IV

Section 1. Voting Meetings: A voting member of the Undergraduate Assembly must meet the following qualifications: He must be an undergraduate at M.I.T. and must remain for one full term of office.

Section 2. No voting member of the Undergraduate Assembly shall vote on any matter in question, the same being considered to be the acts and decisions of the Undergraduate Assembly.

Section 3. Any question proposed to be decided by a written ballot not earlier than sixty (60) days after receipt of a petition presented in writing by ten percent (10%) of the voting membership of the Undergraduate Assembly shall be put on the agenda of the Assembly. The election shall take place in accordance with the election rules of the Assembly. The election rules shall be approved by those present and shall be dominated by a majority of the entire voting membership of the Assembly.

Section 4. On receipt of a petition presented in writing by ten percent (10%) of the voting membership of the Undergraduate Assembly, for the annulment of any act or decision of a task group, the Undergraduate Assembly shall consider all Undergraduate Assembly meetings, insuring that all members of the Undergraduate Assembly are kept informed of its business, and shall coordinate all committees and task groups.

Article V

Section 1. Certain major functions of the Undergraduate Assembly shall be handled by Administrative Committees and by Subcommittees. The Assembly shall set up such committees and delegate certain powers thereto. A two-thirds (2/3) vote is necessary for the Undergraduate Assembly to form or disband an either an Administrative Committee or Subcommittee.

Section 2. The committees shall be responsible to and answerable to the Undergraduate Assembly which may make the final decision in any area in which it is concerned.

Section 3. Whenever there is a conflict as to which committee is proper to settle a particular question, the question shall be referred to the Executive Council and the Executive Council shall decide which group has jurisdiction.

Article VI

Section 1. Business of a temporary or permanent task group shall be considered the acts of the task group. These task groups shall be formed by the President and the Treasurer, for any authorized purpose.

Section 2. Any group of students may form a task group which shall be considered an organ of the Assembly it may be approved by a majority vote.

Section 3. One year or less from the formation of a task group, the task group must present a report and a dissolution.

Section 4. The Assembly task groups shall be responsible to and under the authority of the Undergraduate Assembly. The Assembly shall be the final decision in any area delegated to its committees.

Section 5. The Assembly shall have the power of investigation of its task groups.

Article VII

Amendments

Amendments to this Constitution may be made by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Undergraduate Assembly after a two-week posting period or by the Association as provided in Article III, Sections 3 and 4.

Article VIII

BY LAWS of the Undergraduate Assembly

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Section 3. Installation: Upon commencement of the Assembly meeting, the President shall make an announcement of the election of the UAP and the new members of the Assembly of the Undergraduate Assembly shall be dissolved. This shall occur annually. The entire student body shall have the right to vote on the election of the Undergraduate Assembly. Following the government of the retiring Assembly of the Undergraduate Assembly, on three (3) weeks after election day, the President shall announce in writing the new Assembly which shall then officially replace the retiring Assembly.

Section 2. Non-Voting Members: All voting members of the Undergraduate Assembly and all undergraduate members of the Undergraduate Assembly shall be non-voting members of this Assembly.

Section 5. Substitutes and Proxies: A substitute may replace a member of the Assembly who has lost his seat during the official election day of the Undergraduate Assembly. The substitute must be elected by the Assembly.

Article III

Officers and Council

Section 1. President: It shall be the duty of the Undergraduate Assembly President to preside over all meetings of the Assembly and of the Executive Council and to serve as a technological adviser.

Section 2. Vice President: The Vice President shall be elected by the Assembly at its first regular meeting of the new academic year. The President shall have a right of veto except in the case of the official election of the UAP and the new members of the Assembly of the Undergraduate Assembly. The President shall have the right of veto if this is not the first official election of the Undergraduate Assembly.

Section 3. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be on the Executive Council and shall receive and deposite all such funds as the regulations of the Finance Board and the By Laws of the Undergraduate Assembly shall approve. He shall not serve as treasurer for more than one term. He shall be appointed by the Executive Council. The Treasurer shall have the right of veto except in the case of the official election of the UAP and the new members of the Assembly of the Undergraduate Assembly.

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Article V

Committees, Task Groups, and Substitute on Faculty Groups

Section 1. Standing Committees: This Association shall have the right to appoint standing committees of its own choosing. The Executive Council shall have the responsibility of overseeing committees and other such tasks as are assigned by the Assembly.

Section 2. Any group of students may form a task group which shall be considered an organ of the Assembly it may be approved by a majority vote.

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BY LAWS of the Undergraduate Board

Article I

The name of this organization shall be the Undergraduate Board.

Article II

Membership

Section 1. All students in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who are registered as Undergraduate Board members of the Undergraduate Association shall be a member of the Undergraduate Board.

Section 3. Ten percent of faculty committees shall be members of the Undergraduate Board.

Article III

Section 1. Regular Meetings: The Assembly shall meet twice each quarter. The President shall notify the Undergraduate Assembly at least one (1) week before a scheduled Assembly meeting. These meetings shall be held to discuss any issues important to the students.

Section 2. Special Meetings: Special meetings may be called by the President or by the Executive Council. The President shall be required to call such a meeting within one (1) week after meeting with written request of ten percent (10%) of the members of the Undergraduate Assembly, the Undergraduate Board, or the President. This meeting shall not be less than two (2) days before the meeting.

Section 3. Quorum: A quorum for the purpose of conducting a meeting of the Assembly shall be two-thirds (2/3) of the total voting membership.

Article IV

Section 1. Voting Members: All voting members of the Undergraduate Board and all undergraduate members of committees and groups outlined in Article II shall be non-voting members of this Assembly.

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