



# REGNUM CHRISTI

Discussion Guide  
on the Draft General Statutes  
of Regnum Christi  
for the Territorial Assemblies

## 1. Method

- The deliberations and discussions in the territorial assembly are to be guided by this discussion guide.

- This discussion guide centers deliberation on certain numbers and articles of the draft Statutes text in order to help the respective assemblies focus on the most relevant topics. If a delegate wants the assembly to address a theme or number not mentioned in the discussion guide, he can submit a motion to the small group or the plenary session. If one-third of the participants approve the motion, it is discussed (see *Rules of Procedure of the Territorial Assemblies of Regnum Christi* 17 § 2, hereafter designated as RPTARC). These are recorded in the minutes under “general proposals.”

- “During the Regnum Christi territorial assembly there will two ways of working: in small discussion groups and plenary sessions.” (RPTATRC 16)

- “Once everything laid out in the discussion guide has been covered, the assembly can proceed to reflect freely on any other themes it deems appropriate.” (RPTARC 17 § 3)

- The assembly votes on the statements and questions in the discussion guide, which relate to general concepts, chapters, articles, numbers or paragraphs from the draft statutes. For each statement or question it is possible to:

- vote “Yes”, when delegates agree with the substance of the statement or question, even if they would like the content or wording to be changed slightly;
- vote “No”, when delegates do not agree;
- or abstain when the delegates cannot decide one way or the other. An abstention counts as a vote against in those cases where a majority vote is required.” (RPTARC 19).

- In the case that the discussion guide presents a question, the answers should be collected in statement form and then voted on. This does not apply when the guide presents a statement.

- In group work the discussion groups can include “comments” on the level of ideas if they obtain an absolute majority in the group. They are neither voted on nor discussed in the plenary sessions but they are recorded in the minutes.

- The assembly minutes consist of the voting results on the statements and questions in this discussion guide.

## 2. Discussion guide for joint territorial assembly

### 1. Identity of the Movement

“Number 1§ 1 is satisfactory.”

(Note: the rest of the number will be voted on at the end of the Assembly).

### 2. General opinion on the mission of the Movement

“Numbers 2, 3 and 4 express the mission of the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

### 3. Place of diocesan priests and seminarians in the Movement

“Number 10 presents the participation of the diocesan priests and seminarians in the life of the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

### 4. Foundation and outlines of the spirituality of the Movement

“Numbers 12 to 17 capture the foundation and outlines of the spirituality of Regnum Christi in a satisfactory manner.”

### 5. Spiritual combat and apostolic generosity

“Number 18 captures well the characteristics of our spirituality previously referred to with the term ‘militancy’.”

### 6. Time in the light of eternity

“Number 19 captures well the value of time and eternity in the spirituality of Regnum Christi.”

### 7. Communion

“Chapter 3, Article 2 presents the bases for living out communion in Regnum Christi in a satisfactory manner.”

## **8. Characteristic virtues**

“Chapter 3, Article 3 presents the characteristic virtues of Regnum Christi in a satisfactory manner.”

## **9. Patrons**

“Number 30 is satisfactory.”

## **10. Conditions for effectiveness in evangelization**

“Chapter 4, Article 1 presents the conditions by which the apostolic activity of the Movement will be effective for evangelization in a satisfactory manner.”

## **11. Characteristic features of apostolic activity**

“Chapter 4, Article 2 presents the characteristic features of the apostolic activity of the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

(Note: number 39 will be voted on separately)

## **12. Leadership as a talent at the service of evangelization**

“Number 39 expresses the sense of leadership in the mission of the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

(Note: Numbers 43 to 47 will be voted on later in the Assembly)

## **13. Vocation work**

“Number 48 presents the way that vocation work should be lived out in the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

## **14. Parishes**

“Number 49 presents the relationship of the parishes entrusted to the Legion with the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

## **15. The life of a Regnum Christi lay member**

“Chapter 5 presents the life of a lay member in Regnum Christi in a satisfactory manner.”

## 16. Incorporation and departure of lay members

“Chapter 6 presents the incorporation and departure of the lay members in a satisfactory manner.”

## 17. The promise of availability

- a. “Number 72 §1 is satisfactory.”
- b. “Number 72 §2 is satisfactory.”
- c. “Number 72 §3 is satisfactory.”
- d. “Number 73 §1 is satisfactory.”
- e. “Number 73 §2 is satisfactory.”
- f. “Number 73 §3 is satisfactory.”
- g. “Number 73 §4 is satisfactory.”

## 18. General opinion on the main principles that guided the way the draft Statutes are structured.

(Note: Before voting on these numbers, it is important to make sure that everyone has read and understood the contents of Appendix 2 and Appendix 7. If there are a lot of problems understanding what the numbers are about, the assembly can dedicate time to collect the questions and answer them before proceeding to a vote).

I agree with the following statements:

- a. “The Legionaries, consecrated women, lay consecrated men and lay members have a common charism.”
- b. “The Legionaries, consecrated women, lay consecrated men and lay members form one Movement in which we share the same spirituality and mission.”
- c. “The mission is common not only because there is a common desire to bring the Kingdom of Christ to the hearts of people and society and to the fields of action; but also because there is a common way of acting, in which the various branches collaborate in an organized way under an apostolic authority recognized by all: the territorial director and the general director of Regnum Christi.”

(Note: In the draft Statutes text, the mission of Regnum Christi is common to the branches (see no. 3), although the apostolic activity can be directed either in a joint way by the Federation or by any one of the individual branches (see no. 43)).

“As the International Convention of lay members proposed, the sections of lay members depend on the joint governing bodies, not on either the governing bodies of the Legion of Christ or the governing bodies of any of the three consecrated branches.” (Note: This statement does not refer to the branch to which the section director belongs, but rather to which governing body on the territorial and general

level has jurisdiction over the sections.)

d. “Regnum Christi should be a juridical person in the Church.” (see CIC 113-123 and DGSRC p. 274)

e. “Members from all the branches should be able to participate in the governing bodies of Regnum Christi.” (see no. 102)

### **19. The consecrated branches in the Federation**

“Number 78 presents the place of the consecrated branches in the Federation in a satisfactory manner.”

### **20. The branch of lay members in the Federation**

a. “Number 79 §1 is satisfactory.”

b. “Number 79 §2 is satisfactory.”

c. “Number 79 §3 is satisfactory.”

### **21. Role of the major directors of the consecrated branches in the Federation**

“Number 80 presents the role of the major directors of the consecrated branches in the Federation in a satisfactory manner”.

### **22. Institutional apostolic activity**

a. “Number 44 §1 is satisfactory.”

b. “Number 44 §2 is satisfactory.”

c. “Number 44 §3 is satisfactory.”

### **23. Authorization of apostolic activities**

a. “Number 45 §1 is satisfactory.”

b. “Number 45 §2 is satisfactory.”

c. “Number 45 §3 is satisfactory.”

d. “Number 45 §4 is satisfactory.”

e. “Number 45 §5 is satisfactory.”

### **24. Works of apostolate**

a. “Number 47 §1 is satisfactory.”

b. “Number 47 §2 is satisfactory.”

c. “Number 47 §3 is satisfactory.”

## **25. The apostolic activity of the Federation and the consecrated branches**

- a. "Number 81 §1 is satisfactory."
- b. "Number 81 §2 is satisfactory."
- c. "Number 82 §1 is satisfactory."
- d. "Number 82 §2 is satisfactory."
- e. "Number 82 §3 is satisfactory."
- f. "Number 82 §4 is satisfactory."

## **26. Appointments and mission assignments**

"Number 83 defines the principles for mission assignments and appointments in a satisfactory manner."

## **27. Solidarity between consecrated branches and the Federation**

"Number 84 defines the principles for solidarity between the consecrated branches and the Federation in a satisfactory manner."

## **28. Remuneration of consecrated members**

"Number 85 is satisfactory."

## **29. Allocating the direction of works of apostolate, once the General Statutes are approved**

"Supposing that the General Statutes are approved as they now stand in the draft version without substantial modifications, I believe that the existing works of apostolate in our territory should be directed by the Federation and only in exceptional cases by one of the consecrated branches."

(Note: This statement is not related to any of the numbers in the draft text. Rather it is asking about how to allocate the works of apostolate in the future, as described in Appendix 7: The General Committee is presenting the question of how to allocate current apostolic works in a consultation that will be sent to the 2018 Extraordinary General Chapter and Assemblies. It proposes that decisions be made in this area only after the General Statutes are approved and the juridical persons of the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi and the Federation are established in the 2020 Ordinary General Chapter and Assemblies.

**30. Creation of new branches**

“Number 87 §1 is satisfactory.”

**31. Separation of a branch from the Federation**

- a. “Number 88 §1 is satisfactory.”
- b. “Number 88 §2 is satisfactory.”

**32. Personal authority, moderated by committee**

- a. “Number 100 §1 is satisfactory.”
- b. “Number 100 §2 is satisfactory.”

(Note: In the reflection on this question, it would be helpful to have in mind numbers 128, 129, 144 and 145, which summarize the actions that require that the general or territorial committees give its consent or be consulted).

**33. General conventions**

“Number 106 is satisfactory.”

**34. Participants in the general convention**

- a. “Number 109 §1 is satisfactory.”
- b. “Number 109 §2 is satisfactory.”
- c. “Number 109 §3 is satisfactory.”

**35. The general director**

a. What should the Statutes say about the figure of the general director? Choose one of the following options:

(Note: This question refers to the principle that should be contained in the Statutes and not the *ad experimentum* solution)

i. “The Regnum Christi general director is *ex officio* the general director of the Legion of Christ.”

ii. “The Regnum Christi general director is *ex officio* the general director of the most numerous consecrated branch.”

iii. “The Regnum Christi general director is one of the three general moderators of the consecrated branches, elected by the general convention.”

iv. “The Regnum Christi general director is a Legionary of Christ, elected by the general convention.”



v. "The Regnum Christi general director is a consecrated member, elected by the general convention."

vi. "The Regnum Christi general director is a member of any branch, elected by the general convention."

b. "The proposal mentioned in number 121 is satisfactory."

**36. Mission and priorities of the general director**

"Number 122 is satisfactory."

**37. Functions of the general director**

"Number 123 is satisfactory."

**38. The general plenary meeting**

"Number 124 is satisfactory."

**39. Composition of the general committee**

"Number 126 is satisfactory."

**40. The general vice-director**

"Number 131 is satisfactory."

**41. The general administrator and the territorial administrator**

"Numbers 133 §3 and 146 §3 are satisfactory."

**42. The general secretary and the territorial secretary**

"Numbers 136 §2 and 149 §3 are satisfactory."

**43. The territorial director**

(Note: Number 138 should be read before voting on this number)

What should the Statutes say about the figure of the territorial director? Choose one of the following options:

- i. “The Regnum Christi territorial director is a Regnum Christi member, appointed by the general director, with the consent of the general committee.” (see DGSRC 139)
- ii. “The Regnum Christi territorial director is *ex officio* the territorial director of the Legion of Christ.”
- iii. “The Regnum Christi territorial director is *ex officio* the territorial director of the most numerous consecrated branch in that territory.”
- iv. “The Regnum Christi territorial director is one of the three territorial moderators of the consecrated branches, appointed by the Regnum Christi general director, with the consent of the general committee.”
- v. “The Regnum Christi territorial director is a Legionary of Christ, appointed by the Regnum Christi general director, with the consent of the general committee.”
- vi. “The Regnum Christi territorial director is a consecrated member, appointed by the Regnum Christi general director, with the consent of the general committee.”

#### **44. Mission and priorities of the territorial director**

“Number 141 is satisfactory.”

#### **45. Lay members serving in governing bodies**

“Number 104 is satisfactory.”

#### **46. Composition of the territorial committee**

“Number 142 is satisfactory.”

#### **47. Responsibility of the directors**

- a. “Number 171 §2 is satisfactory.”
- b. “Number 171 §3 is satisfactory.”
- c. “Number 171 §4 is satisfactory.”

#### **48. Acceptance of the proposal for a Federation**

“The Regnum Christi Movement is juridically constituted as a federation between the clerical religious institute of the Legionaries of Christ, the Association of the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi and the Association of the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi. Other Regnum Christi members incorporate into the federation as individuals.” (no. 1 §2)

### 3. Discussion guide for the branch territorial assembly

#### 1. Purpose of the Movement

“As a branch, we identify with the mission of Regnum Christi described in numbers 2, 3 and 4, and we fulfill it according to our own identity.”

#### 2. Types of members

- a. For the LCs: “Number 8 is satisfactory.”
- b. For the CRCs: “Number 6 is satisfactory.”
- c. For the LCRCs: “Number 7 is satisfactory.”

#### 3. The Spirit of Regnum Christi

“As a branch, we identify with the spirituality of Regnum Christi described in chapter 3.”

#### 4. Conditions for effectiveness in evangelization and characteristic features of apostolic activity

“The conditions for effectiveness in evangelization and the characteristic features of the apostolic activity of the Movement are also applicable to our branch.”

#### 5. Vocation work

“Number 48 presents the way that vocation work should be lived out in the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

#### 6. Parishes

“Number 49 presents the relationship of the parishes entrusted to the Legion with the Movement in a satisfactory manner.”

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I agree with the following statements:

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b. “The proposal mentioned in number 121 is satisfactory.”

## 22. Composition of the general committee

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## 23. The territorial director

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## 24. Composition of the territorial committee

“Number 142 is satisfactory.”

## 25. Proper law

“Number 170 §2 is satisfactory.”

## 26. Acceptance of the proposal for a Federation

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**27. Are there any recommendations that the General Chapter or Assembly of our branch wants to present as a condition for entering into the Federation?**

**28. Are any of these a condition *sine qua non*?**



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