CONSTITUTION

OF THE

CANADIAN SCIENCE FICTION ASSOCIATION

- 1. NAME: The name of this organization shall be the Canadian Science Fiction Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association.
- 2. PURPOSE: The purpose of the Association shall be the promotion of Canadian science fiction fan activities and the encouragement of interest in science fiction.
- 3. MEMBERSHIP: Membership shall be open to all science fiction and/or fantasy fans who are in sympathy with the purpose as outlined in Section 2 and who are prepared to abide by the Constitution and By-laws of the Association. Members shall consist of:
 - (a) Single Members: Those who are not members of a constituent organization affiliated with the Association, as provided in Section 4.
 - (b) Group Members: Members of a Canadian science fiction organization affiliated with the Association, as provided in Section 4. A group member may become a single member if he conforms with Section 3(a).

4. AFFILIATION:

- (a) Any Canadian science fiction and/or fantasy organization, with a membership of three or more, may affiliate as a group with the Association, hereinafter referred to as a Constituent Organization. The Constituent Organizations shall retain full sovereign status except insofar as certain powers or monies are delegated to the Association, as outlined under "Powers" and "Finances".
- (b) Single members may associate into an organization or organizations which may affiliate with the Association as a Constituent Organization, provided it meet with the requirements of Section 4(a).
- (c) No member shall have more than one vote in an Association poll. If a member belong to more than one Constituent Organization, he shall state with which Constituent Organization he is voting in any polls re the Association.
- 5. POWERS: The powers of the Association shall be those delegated to the Association by the membership, according to the Constitution and By-laws.

6. EXECUTIVE:

- (a) The executive powers shall be conferred upon one of the Constituent Organizations. In the event of a tie for first place, there shall be a run-off election between the tying Constituent Organizations.
- (b) The executive Constituent Organization shall have the power to appoint members to fill specific offices or to serve on committees. It may delegate duties to other Constituent Organizations or single members, provided it be with the consent of those concerned.
- 7. FINANCES: Fees and/or levies may be imposed upon the membership by a Quorum Vote, as provided for in Section 8.
- 8. QUORUM VOTE: A Quorum Vote shall be a majority vote by at least a majority of the membership of the Association notification of such a vote being given to the Constituent Organizations and single members at least two weeks in advance of the tabulation. A Quorum Vote must conform with Section 9.
- 9. THE INITIATIVE: Any Constituent Organization or group of five single members can, by petition, propose for vote by the Association a By-law, amendment to the Constitution, resolution, etc.
- 10. BY-LAWS: Under the designation "By-laws" are included all rules, regulations, and resolutions passed by the Association in a Quorum Vote.
- 11. AMENDMENTS: This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of at least 2/3 of the Association membership. Amendments must conform with Section 9. All group members and single members must be notified of the Amendment proposed and the poll to be taken at least two weeks before tabulation.
- 12. GENERAL: This Constitution shall go into effect on February 23rd, 1948. A copy of this Constitution shall be sent to each Constituent Organization and single member that affiliates with the Association as outlined in Section 4.