

RAJEC Cameroun "Toujours engagé"

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NINETEENTH NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE "RESEAU DES ANCIENS JECISTES DU CAMEROUN - RAJEC (NETWORK OF FORMER YOUNG CHRISTIANS STUDENTS OF
CAMEROON)
N'Gaoundéré, FROM JULY 29 TO AUGUST 2, 2024

FINAL COMMUNIQUE

The XIXth National General Assembly of the "Réseau des Anciens Jécistes du Cameroun (RAJEC)" was held from July 29 to August 2, 2024 at the "Centre Pastoral Monseigneur Jean Pasquier" in N'Gaoundéré, under the theme: "The financing and self-financing of RAJEC, practices, lessons learned and perspectives for a more effective evangelizing action".

The main objective of this National General Assembly was to revisit and readjust the general functioning of RAJEC in an essentially shifting social and religious context, draw lessons from its commitments since the last National General Assembly in FOUMBOT, and define perspectives for the next triennium.

The meeting was attended by the following "RAJEC cercle de vie": Bamenda, Douala, Nkongsamba, Bafang, Yaoundé, Bertoua, Garoua, Maroua, Yagoua, Ngaoundéré, and the European diaspora for a total of 52 members.

The opening ceremony was presided over by the Governor, represented by the Secretary General of Regional Services, and attended by the Bishop of the Diocese of Ngaoundéré.

It was punctuated by a word of welcome from Mr. Jean Claude FORT LAMY, Chairman of the RAJEC Management Committee; by a word from the Bishop; by a speech to mark the occasion and open the proceedings by the Governor's representative; and by a substantial donation of medical and health equipment to the diocese of N'Gaoundéré, the

fruit of cooperation between RAJEC and a European Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), Paradis Santé.

During the solemn opening mass at the "Notre Dame des Apôtres" Cathedral in N'Gaoundéré, participants received exhortations from Monseigneur Emmanuel ABBO on teachings drawn from the "parable of the Good Seed and the Tares", in which the Church invites us to meditate on good and evil. To be the good seed, which means son of the kingdom, capable of sowing the good seed rather than the tares, which means son of the bad.

The work itself was led by a presidium elected for the occasion and made up as follows:

- Chairman: Olivier Francis ETOA MONDOMAN;
- · Secretary: Romance NGO BATJAN;
- · Reporting: Basile DJONWE;
- · Regulations: Ludovic NGONGANG

A number of points were discussed.

ON REPORTS

The General Meeting received and heard reports from the various "RAJEC cercle de vie", Regional Coordinations and the Management Committee;

Following the exchanges and debates, the General Meeting took note of the various activity reports presented. The Management Committee's financial report was adopted.

ON OVERALL LESSONS

The presentation of the activities of the "Mutuelle du Réseau des Anciens Jécistes (MURAJEC)" and the instructive talk on the theme "how to create, animate, relaunch, operate and finance the activities of a RAJEC cercle de vie" awakened the participants' minds to the need to build a "Rajéciste" identity that is capable of asserting itself effectively in the Church and in Society through an active and financially autonomous dynamic for a strong former "jéciste" network.

ON THEMES FOR REFLECTION AT THE CARREFOUR

The General Assembly decided on the following themes:

THEME 1: Revision of the Articles of Association;

THEME 2: Revision of internal regulations;

THEME 3: Financing strategies to be considered in the by-laws;

THEME 4: 2024/2027 action plan and three-year theme of activities;

THEME 5: Budget guidelines 2024/2027;

THEME 6: Selection criteria to be considered in the by-laws and choice of venue for the next general meeting

THEME 7: YCS support and the plurality of YCS alumni organizations;

At the close of the proceedings, the General Meeting adopted the reports presented by the commissions and made recommendations aimed at adapting and improving the association's operating texts and procedures. The creation of a directory of former jécistes was emphatically recommended.

As such:

The by-laws and internal regulations were reviewed.

It is worth mentioning that the General Meeting rejected the creation of a committee of wise men as a statutory body, and recommended that it be an entity of the management committee at the discretion of the President.

It adopted a strategy of approaching other groups of former jecists based on the creation of communication platforms, at RAJEC's initiative, without however enshrining this in the articles of association.

With regard to sympathizers, the General Meeting recommended that the notion of sympathizer be framed in our texts and clearly defined.

In terms of financing, the General Meeting adopted a new RAJEC fund-raising strategy based on :

- The categorization of membership fees;
- An appropriate dynamic of research and collection of charitable goods within the large community of former jécistes first and elsewhere;
- Appropriate training in the organization and creation of income-generating activities through various projects;
- Setting up projects and seeking funding from various development support actors and sponsors;
- Organize fund-raising activities in accordance with current regulations.

The three-year theme of RAJEC's work, adopted by the General Assembly, is: RAJEC IN THE CHURCH AND SOCIETY FOR THE INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT OF HUMANS.

It encompasses the essential declinations and strategic axes that should be highlighted in its elaboration and which are:

- RAJEC as the Church's Movement; Enhancing RAJEC's presence and driving forward a more vibrant YCS;
- RAJEC at the service of society; An essential link in civil society;
- RAJEC and professionalization: a movement whose organization and operation are based on performance (planning, projection, reporting and archiving, reliability and procedural stability);
- · RAJEC and its financing strategies; Promoting an entity moving towards autonomy.

In addition, the General Meeting adopted a set of strategies to raise awareness, mobilize and support militant YCS, and young people in general, in the fight against perverse phenomena. Emphasis was placed on an approach designed to bring the YCS back into the school and student environment.

The General Meeting recommended that the Management Committee draw up a global strategy document for the next three years, based on the campaign themes and training courses adopted.

Finally, the General Meeting recommended that the Management Committee ensure that the association's documents are formally updated in line with the spirit of the General Meeting's recommendations.

At the end of the proceedings, Jean Claude FORT LAMY was re-elected as RAJEC National Coordinator for the next three years, with 100% of the votes validly cast.

In view of the difficulties RAJEC has experienced over the past two terms with the various people elected to the post of auditor, the General Meeting decided to appoint a proven expert to this post. The appointment of an incumbent did not take place during this meeting.

The next RAJEC General Assembly will be held in three years' time in the Archdiocese of Yaoundé, on a date to be specified by the Management Committee. Midterm regional meetings will be organized in line with the recommendations of the General Assembly. Nkongsamba will host a mid-term session in 2025 and Bertoua the mid-term session in 2026.

Ngaoundéré, August 2, 2024
For the XIXth RAJEC General Assembly, the President of the Praesidium

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