

ISKCON International Ministry of Public Affairs

The International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Founder-*Ācārya*—His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupāda

September 10, 1986

Dear Governing Body Commissioner,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Enclosed is the letter handed to me yesterday by Tamal Krsna Maharaj, regarding the delegation of GBC men who spoke with Bhavananda Goswami in Australia.

As this year's chairman of the North American GBC, I feel the need to consult with you regarding the acceptability of the enclosed, signed commitment given by Bhavananda Goswami to the delegation of Tamal Krsna Maharaj, Bhagavan Maharaj, and Hrdayananda Maharaj, which just returned from Australia. I would request that you read this along with the resolution on Bhavananda Goswami recently sent to you in the minutes from the August North American GBC meetings (resolution #1.). I would like you to telephone me by September 30th to let me know whether or not you think his signed, written commitment adequately fulfills the purpose of our resolution (no.1). If you do not think the response adequate or acceptable, I would like to know if you feel that resolution 1. requires me to proceed with calling for an extraordinary general meeting on behalf of the North American GBC (subcommittee). I would like to point out, however, that such an Extraordinary General Meeting could not take place, before the scheduled initiation ceremonies in Australia -- even if the members desired it. Still, I would be able to communicate to Bhavananda Goswami before the initiations, our intention to go through with such an Extraordinary General Meeting.

The section in the resolution dealing with the emergency meeting reads as follows: "The North American GBC hereby requests Bhavananda Goswami to accept in writing [resolution No.1.], failing which they will recommend to the executive officers of the GBC body to proceed to call an emergency meeting."

According to 1986 GBC resolution #53 in Section 10, under Meeting Procedures, "In case the GBC officers or a GBC subcommittee considers it necessary to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting, the following procedures must be observed [my underlining]:

1. The reason for the meeting as well as relevant background information should be specified in writing to all GBC members or other parties concerned.

2. Sufficient time for exchanging correspondence must be allowed from the time of initial notice of the meeting until the actual date for the meeting.

3. The ultimate decision to convene an Extraordinary

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Meeting must be taken by the entire body, after due consideration by and communication with all the members. The decision is to be taken by a majority vote. (R.O.)

This means that the North American GBC is entitled to call for the convening of an Extraordinary General Meeting.

My telephone number before September 30th will be (714) ⁴⁹⁴⁻⁰³⁰⁰ ~~497-1083~~.
If no one is in when you call please leave your determination on the machine or leave a message and I will return your call. I look forward to hearing from you and beg to remain

your eternal servant,



Mukunda Goswami
Corresponding Secretary,
GBC

enclosure: 1
cc: GBC members (only)

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