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BY THE GRACE OF GOD,
THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

Considering:

- a. That God Almighty created the universe and all that is therein for the benefit of mankind; and that for its management it is necessary to develop, and utilize science and technology to enhance the physical and spiritual well-being of man and the preservation of the environment;
- b. That the development and utilization of science and technology in national development has great importance for the life and progress of the Indonesian people, especially in the efforts to improve their welfare, self-reliance and resilience;
- c. That in the acquisition, development, and utilization of science and technology it is always necessary to have a high regard for the dignity, self-respect and personal integrity of man, the Indonesian nation, and the human environment in an integrated endeavour which conforms with the noble values of the nation embodied in Pancasila;
- d. That within the framework of such an endeavour, it is essential to enhance the role of prominent Indonesian scientists in solving those problems confronting the Indonesian people which relate to science and technology;
- e. That, therefore the establishment of an independent body for prominent Indonesian scientists is required, whose members shall provide useful suggestions and advice to the Government and people concerning the acquisition, development, and utilization of science and technology within the framework of national development and the welfare of mankind;

- f. That, therefore it is necessary to lay down an Act concerning the establishment of the Indonesian Academy of Sciences;

Noting: Article 5 clause (1) and Article 20 clause (1) of the 1945 constitution;

With the consent of

**THE HOUSE OF THE PEOPLE'S
REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA**

HAS DECIDED:

**to enact: A LAW ON THE INDONESIAN ACADEMY
OF SCIENCES**

**CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Article 1

In the context of this Law,

1. The Academy, is defined as a body for prominent scientists.
2. A scientist is defined as a person who researches, masters, develops and applies science and/or technology in order to seek truth and improve the welfare, dignity and self-respect of man.
3. Science is defined as a chain of knowledge which is examined, organised, and developed in a systematic manner in accordance with scientific approaches and methods in order to describe natural phenomena and certain social phenomena.

4. Technology is defined as a process or product arising from the endeavour to apply and utilise science and which produces an added value in meeting the needs of mankind.
5. AIPI is an abbreviation of "Akademi Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia" (The Indonesian Academy of Sciences) as referred to in Article 2 clause (1) of this Act.

CHAPTER II

BASIC PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES

Article 2

- (1) Akademi Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia hereinafter abbreviated as "AIPI" constitutes the only body for prominent Indonesian scientists.
- (2) AIPI adheres to Pancasila as its fundamental principle.

Article 3

AIPI has the aim to gather together prominent Indonesian Scientists to render to the Government and people opinions, suggestions and advice on their own initiative and/or on request regarding the acquisition, development and utilization of science and technology in order to attain national objectives, while always giving priority to:

- a. the values and ideals contained in Pancasila and the 1945 Constitution;
- b. humanistic values;
- c. an ethical sense of responsibility;
- d. the enhancement of the quality of man and society;
- e. the integrity of the national identity;
- f. environmental balance in sustainable development.

CHAPTER III NATURE AND SEAT

Article 4

AIPI is an autonomous body of a non-structural nature. It is not a Government body nor does it form part of one.

Article 5

AIPI has its office at the seat of the Central Government.

CHAPTER IV ROLE AND FUNCTION

Article 6

- (1) AIPI has the role to examine, monitor, evaluate, determine directions and solve problems related to the acquisition, development, and utilization of science and technology.
- (2) In order to implement the role referred to in clause (1) AIPI has the following functions:
 - a. to compile and examine materials as deemed necessary;
 - b. to monitor the activities, growth and development of science and technology, both in Indonesia and abroad;
 - c. to assess the development of science and technology;
 - d. to define the course of the acquisition, development, and utilization of science and technology and the search towards the solution of related problems;

- e. To undertake other fundamental endeavours in the field of science and technology.

CHAPTER V ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Article 7

- (1) The organizational structure, role, function and work procedures of AIPI and the selection, appointment and cessation of duty of AIPI members, as well as procedures for amending the Statute and By Laws and other arrangements will be provided later in the Statute and By Laws of AIPI.
- (2) The Statute and By Laws of AIPI shall be laid down by AIPI members as referred to in Article 12 Clause (3).
- (3) The Statute and By Laws of AIPI will be ratified by a Presidential Decision.

Article 8

- (1) AIPI membership is based on selection.
- (2) AIPI membership constitutes the highest recognition in the field of science and technology in Indonesia.

Article 9

- (1) In order to be selected for membership of the AIPI, the following general requirements should be met ; the person should:
 - a. be a citizen of the Republic of Indonesia;
 - b. have faith and devotion to God the Almighty;
 - c. be loyal to the Republic of Indonesia based on Pancasila and the 1945 Constitution;

- d. be respected, honest, just and able to reflect the aspirations of the people;
 - e. not be involved directly or indirectly in any activities/movements contrary to Pancasila and the 1945 Constitution, nor in illegal organizations.
- (2) In addition to the general requirements referred to in clause (1) above, candidate for AIPI membership should also meet the following special requirements ; he or she should:
 - a. be an expert who possesses both competence and achievements in one of the fields of science and technology recognized by the scientific community;
 - b. possess expertise, competence and achievements favourable to national development;
 - c. be nominated and seconded by at least 1/4 (one fourth) of the total members of AIPI;
 - d. be approved by at least 2/3 (two thirds) of the total members of AIPI;
 - e. meet other requirements as stipulated in the Statute and By Laws of AIPI.

Article 10

AIPI membership is for life.

Article 11

AIPI membership comprises ordinary and honorary membership.

Article 12

- (1) AIPI members shall be appointed and released of duty by a Plenary Meeting of the AIPI and sanctioned by the President;

- (2) Appointment of an AIPI member will be made after the requirements as referred to in Article 9 have been fulfilled;
- (3) The first appointment of AIPI members shall be made by the President on the basis of nominations submitted by the Minister for Research and Technology, the Minister for Education and Culture, and the Chairmen of the institutions responsible for the development of sciences.

Article 13

AIPI membership shall be terminated upon:

- a. death;
- b. written resignation by the member concerned;
- c. the binding sentence for a crime(s) referred to in the Statute and By Laws of AIPI;
- d. other conditions stated in the Statute and By Laws of AIPI;
- e. cessation of the member's ability to fulfill the requirements referred to in Article 9.

CHAPTER VI SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Article 14

Scientific committee's will be established within AIPI, the number of which shall be determined in accordance with the stage of progress of science and technology in Indonesia.

CHAPTER VII FINANCE

Article 15

- (1) In order to carry out its role and function, AIPI shall obtain funds from:
 - a. Government assistance and un-tied donations from society;
 - b. un-tied foreign donations;
 - c. other legitimate sources.
- (2) The Management of Government assistance as referred to in clause (1) paragraph (a) will be determined thereafter by Presidential Decision.
- (3) Income and expenditures of AIPI funds obtained from both domestic and overseas sources shall be accounted for annually to the Plenary Meeting of AIPI.

CHAPTER VII FINAL PROVISION

Article 16

At the date of commencement of this Law, Law number 6, 1956 concerning the establishment of the Council of Sciences of Indonesia (State Gazette of the Republic of Indonesia of the Year 1956 Number 14; Addendum to the State Gazette of the Republic of Indonesia Number 971) is repealed.

Article 17

This Act shall come into operation on the date of its enactment. In order that all persons be informed, it is ordered that this Act be published, in the State Gazette of the Republic of Indonesia.

Sanctioned in Jakarta
on October 13, 1990
THE PRESIDENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

signed

SOEHARTO
Enacted in Jakarta
on October 13, 1990

THE MINISTER/STATE SECRETARY
OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

signed

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