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Basic Information

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Action required	Resolution
Draft resolution(s)	Mission Council agrees that in Paragraph 2.(3)(d) of the Structure the words “(currently four)” be deleted.
Alternative options to consider, if any	

Summary of Content

Subject and aim(s)	Remove an anomalous comment in the Structure
Main points	
Previous relevant documents	
Consultation has taken place with...	General Secretary and officers of the LPAG

Summary of Impact

Financial	None
External (e.g. ecumenical)	None

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When changes were made to the Structure in order to put into effect the removal of one level of council between the General Assembly and the local church, it was necessary to retain district councils for legal reasons. The membership of district councils was significantly amended and now includes the following: *“(d) Such number of representatives of local churches within the district (currently four) as the synod shall direct;”*

Since there are thirteen synods there could be thirteen different numbers in this category, and it is therefore proposed that the words in brackets be deleted.

These words do not form part of the Structure, but are simply included for information. It is therefore open to Mission Council to make this decision by a single resolution. There is no need to follow the constitutional change process.

Resolution

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