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To: Grand Lodge Executive Board, Grand Lodge Deputies, District Secretaries,
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Happy New Year!

Owing to the fact that COVID -19 is still hampering our Order, temporary changes must be made to the Constitution and By-Laws for 2021:

1. The number of Local Lodge meetings will be determined by individual Lodges themselves.
2. The number of members to hold a meeting whether in person, or virtual shall be the same as a quorum (4) with one (1) being an Officer of that Lodge.
3. The protocol for such meetings will follow the White Book as much as possible. This again will depend on the format of the meeting.
4. It must be planned that all meetings will be virtual. In that case initiations need to be planned out between the Chairman and other Officers on exactly how to conduct it.
5. When a vote is requested from Lodge members it should be conducted via email.
6. Lodge Newsletters play an important part to keep members informed of events/activities new members initiated, birthdays for the month. This all adds to ENTHUSIASM in the Lodge.
7. When outdoor gatherings open for at least 3-4 persons the outline above may be expanded and again keep members involved and informed.

Our members are precious, and we want all to be safe and healthy. Remembering that this Pandemic will end and once again we will enjoy CAMARADERIE at our meetings with renewed ENTHUSIASM.

In Generosity, Truth and Unity,
Art Björkner
Grand Master