Minutes of the London Com.It.Es meeting held on May 15, 2025, at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held in person at the premises of the Italian Church of St. Peter, located at 136 Clerkenwell Road, London EC1R 5DL. Councilors who, for valid reasons, were unable to attend in person

were able to connect and participate remotely—with the option of participating in real time in the discussion—via the "Zoom" platform (number 83278579141).

The meeting opened at 6:10 PM.

The meeting was chaired by President Alessandro Gaglione, with Chiara Cerovac serving as secretary.

The following Councilors are participating in person:

1. Alessandro Gaglione

2. Antonino Martorana

3. Nicola Del Basso

4. Anna Cambiaggi

5. Mike Petretta

6. Anna Li Volsi

The following Councilors are participating remotely:

7. Chiara Cerovac

8. Elio Alberti

9. Rino Nola

10. Vincenzo Loggia

11. Germana Canzi

Excused absences:

12. Elena Remigi

13. Dimitri Scarlato

14. Luigi Bille’

15. Federico Lago

16. Livia Grasso

17. Golam Tipu

18. Luciano Rapa

CGIE Councilor Giannino D’Angelo is connected remotely.

The attendance sheet and a screenshot showing the attendance figures are attached to these minutes as indicated above.

The President confirms and has confirmed the presence of the quorum required by law and, therefore, declares the meeting validly constituted and capable of deliberating on the following:

Agenda:

1- Approval of the minutes of previous meetings.

2- Brief report from the President and Treasurer.

3- Any comments/updates from the CGIE Councilors (UK).

4- Updates, discussions, and resolutions on past and ongoing projects, as well as any future

projects listed below:

\*\* Italian Festival in Brighton;

\*\* EUSS and SPID integration project;

\*\* Request for free sponsorship of the "Fairness Magazine Excellence
Award – Values ​​and Talents of Made in Italy"

\*\* Report on past events with PIF in London and update on future projects by organizer Alessandra Gonnella;

\*\* Projects presented by the "Little Italy" group

\*\* Complitaly project "Gocce d'Italia".

5 - Decentralized meeting in Brighton.

6 - Any other business.

Moving to the first item on the agenda, the minutes of the two previous meetings (March 13, 2025 and April 10, 2025) were approved by a show of hands.

Regarding the minutes of March 13, 2025: In favor, unanimous.

Abstentions: none.

Against: none.

Regarding the minutes of April 10, 2025:

In favor:

1. Alessandro Gaglione

2. Antonino Martorana

3. Nicola Del Basso

4. Anna Li Volsi

5. Chiara Cerovac

6. Elio Alberti

7. Rino Nola

8. Vincenzo Loggia

Abstentions: 9. Anna Cambiaggi, 10. Mike Petretta, and 11. Germana Canzi, as they were absent from the meeting in question.

Against: none.

Subsequently, President Gaglione announced that he had submitted a written question to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation,through the Consulate General in London, to enquire as to why the supplementary contribution received in December 2023 was not deducted from the budget surplus for 2025, as was the case in 2024.

Treasurer Vincenzo Loggia announced, regarding the 2025 ordinary funding, the sum allocated to the Com.It.Es will be disbursed in two installments.

Furthermore, the Communications Project is currently being evaluated, and its approval could lead to a further reduction in ordinary expenses, freeing up additional resources for other institutional activities.

CGIE Councilor Giannino D'Angelo is connected remotely and announces that there is no particular news from the CGIE, except that a coordination meeting is scheduled for next week.

Subsequently, Mr. William Ranieri is connected remotely. He contacted the Com.It.Es to present the project for an Italian Festival in Brighton, featuring a gastronomic journey spread throughout the month of October. The city's restaurants and bars will be involved. The idea

would also be to organize events (music and films). The City of Brighton has offered to offer a venue in the event of institutional presence, such as the Consulate or Embassy. The restaurants and bars that were contacted gladly agreed to participate. Participation in the Festival is free, and the Com.It.Es is asked to help promote the event and, if possible, co-organize a portion of the event. In return, the Com.It.Es may be present for dissemination/information purposes to inform, among other activities, about the EUSS. The cost of this co-organization would be £500, to be paid after the event.

Voting proceeded by show of hands.

In favor: unanimous

EUSS/SPID Project: A. Cambiaggi informed the assembly that the project is progressing and that informational flyers are being considered. The first information meeting for this project will be held in Brighton.

Free sponsorship requested for the "Fairness Magazine Excellence Award": this is a newspaper very active in supporting Italians abroad. This award will be presented in Rome in July. The winners will then have the opportunity to give a presentation and a training experience in London.

Voting will proceed by show of hands.

In favor: unanimous

Report of past events with PIF in London: it was a successful event and very well attended by compatriots.

Organizer A. Gonnella recently sent a communication with further proposals. Pending the details, the discussion is postponed to the next meeting.

Projects presented by the Little Italy UK group: Representatives of the Little Italy UK are attending the meeting to present the Italian Carnival in London (Summer Edition), scheduled for June 2025, and the San Gennaro Festival, scheduled for October 2025. The Com.It.Es are asked to help promote and support the events, and the meeting welcomes this request. Regarding any form of financial commitment, the Com.It.Es, for the reasons explained above by the Treasurer regarding the uncertainty regarding when the funds will actually be disbursed, has decided to postpone the discussion until the next meeting. Complitaly "Goccie D’Italia" project: a screening will be held at SIAL on May 18th and a presentation will be held at the Consulate General of Italy in London on June 30th. Furthermore, Councilor Germana Canzi is in contact with the LSE to organize a screening at their headquarters as well.

President Gaglione announced that a trainee journalist, who is writing an article on the citizenship decree and would like to gather feedback on how this new law has been implemented, has contacted the Com.It.Es to see if and who would be interested in giving an interview. Anyone interested can contact the Secretariat.

Salary adjustment for Secretary Marco Pariotti: starting in April, the salary of Secretary Marco Pariotti has been adjusted to current legislation. Furthermore, the Secretary has also requested an adjustment to his salary (approximately 10%) to reflect the cost of living. After extensive and thorough discussion, it is proposed to add the sum of £1,300 to the Secretary's salary. This would increase the salary from £13,000 to £14,300, not including the discretionary "passport bonus."

The vote was by show of hands. In favor: unanimous.

Citizenship Decree: Elio Alberti addresses the decree limiting the acquisition of Italian citizenship. Specifically, he emphasizes that there are inconsistencies and that many people who are Italian by descent risk not having their citizenship recognized.

Elio Alberti will prepare an initial document to submit to the assembly.

At this point, the President, having exhausted the agenda, declares the meeting closed at 7:52 PM.

The President The Secretary

Alessandro Gaglione Chiara Cerovac