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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACY IN CUBA AND LATIN AMERICA, INC. SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned Hector Caraballo resident of Dade County, Florida, desiring to organize a Florida Corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, Section 617 Florida Statutes as amended from time to time, by these presents files its Articles of Incorporation, to wit:

#### ARTICLE 1. NAME

The name of this corporation is INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACY IN CUBA AND LATIN AMERICA, INC.

#### ARTICLE II. <u>DURATION</u>

This corporation will be organized and may commence its operations upon the filing of these Articles with Florida's Department of State, and shall have perpetual existence thereafter.

#### ARTICLE III. PURPOSES

- (A) The general purpose for which this Corporation is formed is to operate exclusively for such charitable purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations qualifying as tax-exempt organizations under that code.
- (B) This Corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry out propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statement or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- (C) Except as limited by these Articles of Incorporation or its Bylaws, the Corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers in furtherance of its purposes as are now or may hereafter be conferred on not-for-profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. <u>Members</u>. The members of the Corporation shall be ex-officio the persons who are the members of its Board of Directors, elected from time to time. Each member of the Corporation shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

**Section 2.** Associated Members. Interested persons other than those referred in Section 1, and who are approved by the Board of Directors at its discretion, may be accepted for membership in the Corporation on the same terms.

**Section 3.** <u>Honorary Members.</u> Honorary members of the Corporation may be selected upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE V. MANAGEMENT

**Section 1. Board of Directors.** All powers of the corporation shall be exercised by and under the Board of Directors shall be provided for in the bylaws of the Corporation.

Section 2. <u>Committees</u>. The Board of Directors may establish one or more other committees, whether standing (i.e. appointed for a term) or select (i.e. appointed for a special purpose), to carry out the purposes of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

The Officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting of directors, and shall serve until their successors are chosen and qualified. There may be such other officers and assistant officers and agents as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VII. LIMITATIONS ON ACTIVITIES

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any member, Director or Officer of the Corporation or any other private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting one or more its purposes), and no Member, Director of Officer of the Corporation, or any other private individual, shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation, provided, however, that the Corporation may confer benefits in the form of distributions, in dissolution or otherwise, upon a not for profit corporate member described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in any political campaign (including the publication or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization 'exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or by an organization contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### ARTICLE VIII. PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation is:1147 SW 13<sup>TH</sup> Avenue, Miami, Florida 33125.

### ARTICLE IX. <u>ADDRESS OF REGISTERED</u> OFFICE NAME OF REGISTERED AGENT

The street and address of the initial principal and registered office of the Corporation is

1147 SW 13<sup>TH</sup> Avenue, Miami, FL 33125

The initial registered agent of the corporation is Hector Caraballo.

#### INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARTICLE X.

This corporation shall have at least one director but it may be increased to twelve directors the initial directors of the corporation shall be the following:. The initial directors of the corporation shall be the following.

NAME OF DIRECTORS:	ADDRESS:
Hector Caraballo (President)	14332 SW 43 Terrace Miami, Florida 33175
Julio Hernandez	11617 NW 62 Terrace Suite# 430 Miami, Florida 33178
Ondina Menocal	206 SW 96 Court Miami, Florida 33174

#### ARTICLE XI: INCORPORATIONS

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Hector Caraballo 14332 SW 43 Terrace Miami, Florida 33175 ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENT OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Amendments of these Articles shall be made by a majority vote of all members of the

Board of Directors of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XII. DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Members) of the Corporation shall after paying

or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the

assets of the Corporation, within their sole discretion, to such organization or organizations

organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, scientific, or religious purposes

which, at the time of such disposition quality as an exempt organization or organizations under

Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as the Members(s) of the Corporation shall

determine. Any assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction

exclusively for such purposes, or to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for such

purposes, as said court shall determine.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of

Incorporation this 27 day of January, 2004.

Hector Caraballo

14332 SW 43 Terrace

Miami, Florida 33175

#### STATE OF FLORIDA

#### COUNTY OF DADE

BEFORE me, a Notary Public authorized to take acknowledgments in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared Hector Caraballo, who identified himself with Florida Drivers License No.:

known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and he acknowledged before me that he executed those Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, in the State and county aforesaid, this 22<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2004.

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING RESIDENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE AND RESIDENT AND REGISTERED AGENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF RESIDENT AND REGISTERED AGENT

In pursuance of chapter 607.034, Florida General Corporation Act, the following information is submitted:

First – That the INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACY IN CUBA AND LATIN AMERICA; INC.

desiring to

organize under the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at City of Miami County of Dade State of Florida has named HECTOR CARABALLO as its Resident and Registered Agent, and as its Resident and Registered Office: 1147 SW 13<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, MIAMI, FL 33125.

Second - That said Resident and Registered Agent, having been named to accept service of process for the above state Corporation, at the place designated as the Resident and Registered Office in this Certificate, hereby accepts to act in this capacity and agrees to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

RESIDENT AND REGISTERED AGENT

Hector Caraballo