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SUBJECT: Global Peace Exchange
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: Alexander Merkovic
Name (Printed or typed)

Office 252, Claude Pepper Center, 636 W Call Street
Address

Tallahassee, FL, 32304
City, State & Zip

850-644-9339
Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

Articles of Incorporation of the undersigned individuals, who are 18 years of age or older, desiring to form a Nonprofit Corporation under the Nonprofit Corporation Law of Florida, do hereby certify:

Article I- Name

The name of the Corporation shall be Global Peace Exchange, Inc.

Article II- Principal Office

The place in this state where the principal office of the Corporation shall be:
Claude Pepper Center, Office 252, 636 W Call Street, Tallahassee, FL, 32304

Article III- Purpose

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that also qualify as Section 501(c)(3) exempt organizations. To this end, the corporation shall, to create sustainable development projects in developing countries for members to participate in. Projects are to be completely apolitical, non-religious and non-sectarian in their motives. The Global Peace Exchange (herein after referred to as "GPE") is an initiative to coordinate and expand the service based exchange opportunities for students throughout the world. GPE functions to foster the construction of a new civilization founded on mutual cooperation and understanding to support development and peace in the world.

Building upon a network of linked universities, students travel and work on projects with partner universities, NGOs, government agencies, etc. in the various regions of the world, GPE is a network integrating higher education and international development. GPE would employ relationships with organizations to offer student service opportunities relative to their area of study or expertise. The hope is that students return to their country with a shared understanding of the common human struggle to survive, a moral and ethical education about the issues affecting a particular area or culture and the hope to aid in the building of a new "civilization" of humanity.

GPE seeks to use the individual expertise of student volunteers to its efforts in the field of international development. Students undertake projects within their fields, highlighting not only the increased effectiveness of their work, but also the contribution said work makes to their own education.

The crux of GPE's role within service-oriented development, however, lies within its vast network and partnerships. GPE uses said network to ensure that participants and students remain connected with individuals, groups or organizations sharing similar interests, goals or expertise in the field of service. All funds, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift or contribution or otherwise, shall be devoted to said purposes.

Article IV- - Manner of Election

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Officers serve three-year terms. Vacancies are filled by a nomination from the officers or membership and ratified by a simple majority of the membership. Directors are nominated by an officer and ratified by a two-thirds majority, when deemed necessary by the officers. There shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of nine directors.

Article V- Board of Directors

The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined by the corporation's bylaws. No director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation. The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors is five (5); their names and addresses are as follows:

Alex Merkovic: 3337 Coral Place, Jupiter, FL, 33469

Joe O'Shea: 2280 Twin Lane drive, Dundin, FL, 34698

Dr. Peter Garretson: 442 Bellamy Building, Florida State University,
Tallahassee, FL 32304

Dr. William Kerr: Office 243, 636 W Call Street, Tallahassee, FL 32304

Dr. Heike Schmidt: 401 Bellamy Building, Florida State University,
Tallahassee, FL 32304

Article VI- Duration/Dissolution

The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual until dissolution. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets of the corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. The corporation will distribute its income for each tax year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by section 4942 of the internal revenue code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any later federal tax laws. The corporation will not engage in any act of self dealing as defined in section 4941d of the internal revenue code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any later tax laws. The corporation will not retain any excess business holdings 4943C of the internal revenue code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any later tax laws. The corporation will not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under section 4944 of the internal revenue code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any later tax laws. The corporation will make any taxable expenditures as defined in section 4945D of the internal revenue code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any later tax laws. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Article VII- Membership

This corporation shall have members. The eligibility, rights and obligations of the members will be determined by the corporation's bylaws.

Article VIII- Exemption Requirements

At all times the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the corporation:

1. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in the purpose clause hereof.

2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future tax code, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.


Article IX- Debt Obligations and Personal Liability

No member, officer or Director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers or Directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

Article X- Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:
Alex Merkovic, Office 252, 636 W Call Street, Tallahassee, FL 32304

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.




Signature

Tallahassee, FL 32304
City, State Zip Code

Article XI- Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is:
Alex Merkovic, Office 252, 636 W Call Street, Tallahassee, FL, 32304

In witness whereof, we, the undersigned, have hereunto subscribed our names for the purpose of forming the corporation under the laws of the State of Florida and certify we executed these Articles of Incorporation on May 15, 2004.



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