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XX ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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**OF** 

# **GLOBAL CIGARS CORPORATION**



#### ARTICLE I

#### **NAME**

The name of this corporation is Global Cigars Corporation and its mailing address is 13121 S.W. 106th Street, Miami, Florida 33186.

#### ARTICLE II

#### **NATURE OF BUSINESS**

This Corporation is being formed for the following purposes:

- a. To engage in any and all lawful business or activity permitted under the laws of the United States and the State of Florida.
- b. To generally have and exercise all powers, rights and privileges necessary and incident to carrying out properly the objects herein mentioned.
- c. To do anything and everything necessary, suitable, convenient or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes or the attainment of any or all of the objects herein before enumerated or incidental to the purposes and powers of the corporation or which at any time appear conductive thereto or expedient.

#### ARTICLE III

#### **TERM OF EXISTENCE**

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence unless sooner dissolved in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. The date on which corporate existence shall begin is the date on which these Articles of Incorporation are filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE IV

# CAPITAL STOCK

This Corporation is authorized to issue 1,000 shares of \$0.01 par value common stock, which shall be designated "Common Shares."

#### ARTICLE V

# **INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 13121 S.W. 106th Street, Miami, Florida 33186, and the name of the initial registered agent of this Corporation at that address is Franco Molfetto.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

# **INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Corporation shall have one initial director. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than one. The name and address of the initial director of this Corporation is:

Francisco Xavier Velez Ycaza

Las Monjas

304 Entre 3ra y 4ta

Urdesa

Guayaquil, Ecuador

# **ARTICLE VII**

#### **DIRECTOR QUORUM AND VOTING**

No less than a majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for a meeting of directors. If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present or, if a director or directors have abstained from voting because of an interest in the matter to be voted upon, the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present and voting shall be the act of the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENTS FOR SHAREHOLDERS**

The affirmative vote of a majority of the shareholders of this Corporation entitled to vote shall be required for the authorization of any action of the shareholders of this Corporation.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### **CLASSES OF DIRECTORS**

The By-Laws of this Corporation may provide that the directors be divided into not more than four classes, as nearly equal in number as possible, whose terms of office shall respectively expire at different times, provided that no such term shall continue longer than four years and provided further that at least one-fifth in number of the directors shall be elected annually.

#### ARTICLE X

# AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS

This Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendments hereto and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation. Further, the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the By-Laws shall be vested in the Board of Directors of this Corporation.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### **POWERS**

This Corporation shall have all of the corporate powers enumerated in the Florida General Corporation Act, as amended from time to time.

#### ARTICLE XII

#### **DIVIDENDS**

Dividends payable in shares of any class may be paid to the holders of shares of any other class.

#### ARTICLE XIII

#### **INDEMNIFICATION**

This Corporation shall indemnify any and all of its directors, officers, employees or agents or former directors, officers, employees or agents or any person or persons who may have served at its request as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise in which it owns shares of capital stock or of which it is a creditor, to the full extent permitted by law. Said indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, the expenses, including the cost of any judgments, fines, settlements and counsel's fees, actually and necessarily paid or incurred in connection with any action, suit or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, and any appeals thereof, to which any such person or his legal representative may be made a party or may be threatened to be made a party, by reason of his being or having been a director, officer, employee or agent as herein provided. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which any director, officer, employee or agent may be entitled as a matter of law or which he may be lawfully granted.

#### ARTICLE XIV

#### **INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is:

Franco Molfetto 13121 S.W. 106th Street Miami, Florida 33186

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 13 day of February, 1997.

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING THE ADDRESS AND AN AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

#### WITNESSETH

That Global Cigars Corporation, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, has named Franco Molfetto, 13121 S.W. 106th Street, Miami, Florida 33186, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I accept the duties and obligations of Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes.

Dated this /3 day of February, 1997.

Registered Agent

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