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## COVER LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

**SUBJECT:** AFRIKAN DRUM AND MELODY, INC.

(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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**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

**FROM:** Mr. Saidou Ba

Name (Printed or typed)

6161 NW 22nd Avenue

Address

Miami, Florida 33142

City, State & Zip

786-718-5044

Daytime Telephone number

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**AFRIKAN DRUM AND MELODY, INC.**

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A Not For Profit Corporation

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the corporation shall be AFRICAN DRUM AND MELODY, INC

ARTICLE II

The principal place of business and the mailing address of this corporation shall be: 6161 N.W. 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Miami, FL 33142.

ARTICLE III

The purpose of this Corporation shall be to educate and inform the community of Florida, and the United States, as to the value of African drumming, dancing and singing. In addition we want people in our community to learn about the value and beauty of African languages, such as Mandinga, Su Su, Wolos, Swahili. Our goals will be carried out through classes in our to be formed Afrikan Heritage Culture Arts Center as well as performances in drumming, dancing and music. We will develop troupes in dancing and drumming which will perform in South Florida and eventually throughout the state. Every year we intend to take a group of students, children and adults, to Africa where they will see and hear the drums, dancing and music that we teach in their original setting.

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively charitable within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The initial board of directors shall be composed of the three (3) incorporators whose names are as follows:

Mr. Saidou Ba  
Ms. Sheila Moorehead

Mr. C.W. Jresin

At the initial meeting of the Board of Directors, following Incorporation, the full Board of Directors of Maroma Players, Inc., will be elected, as stated in the Corporation Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE V

##### LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS

The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302, Florida Statutes, and with no limitations defined herein.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this Corporation shall not carry out any activities not permitted to be carried out by a corporation which is exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any corresponding provisions of future United States Internal Revenue Law.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and the street address of the initial registered agent is:

Mr. Saidou Ba  
6161 N.W. 22 Ave.  
Miami, FL 33142

ARTICLE VII

INCORPORATORS

The names and street addresses of the incorporators for these Article of Incorporation are:

Mr. Saidou Ba  
380 N.W. 59<sup>th</sup>  
Miami, FL 33126

Mr. C.W. Jresin *Griffin*  
37 N.W. 108 St.  
Miami, FL 33168

Ms. Sheila Moorehead  
3101 N.W. 166 St.  
Opa Locka, FL 33054

ARTICLE VIII

DISSOLUTION


Upon the dissolution of this corporation the net assets, if any, after provision for proper debts and expenses of the corporation, shall be distributed to a successor organization or organizations having the same or similar purposes as this corporation, and being exempt from taxation under section 501 (c)(3) and 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Under no circumstances shall any of the assets inure to Maroma Players, Inc., to the benefit of any of the members, directors, employees or agents of the Corporation or to their heirs or assigns.

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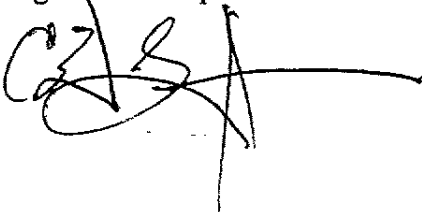
Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

  
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Signature Registered Agent

*12/14/06*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
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Signature/Incorporator

*12/14/06*  
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