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# **COVER LETTER**

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

SUBJECT: WEST AFF	RICAN RELIEF AND DEVELOR (PROPOSED CORPORATION)	PMENT, INC. E NAME – <u>MUST INCLUI</u>	DE SUFFIX)	
Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for:				
\$70.00 Filing Fee	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy  ADDITIONAL CO	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate  PY REQUIRED	
	<b>†</b>			
FROM: FRANCK KACOU  Name (Printed or typed)				
209 MILLSTONE ROAD, APT U Address				
FLORENCE, SC 29505 City, State & Zip				

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

Daytime Telephone number

561-301-4220

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned, desiring to form a not for profit corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby certify:

## ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the Corporation Not for Profit shall be: West African Relief and Development, Inc.

## ARTICLE II. DURATION

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

#### ARTICLE III. PRINCIPAL OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office and mailing address of the Corporation shall be: 104 W University Pkwy, Unit D3, Baltimore, MD 21210.

#### ARTICLE IV. PURPOSES

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are exclusively charitable, educational or scientific within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future United States tax code, and shall be considered to consist of the following:

- (A) To attract and direct donations and contributions of all kinds targeted towards the provision of legal healthcare education or services to indigent populations in less economically developed countries in West Africa.
- (B) To encourage, support or otherwise contribute to the development of local or regional healthcare enterprise in less economically developed countries in West Africa, including:
  - By helping relieve the specific material or technical difficulties of emerging local or regional enterprises directly involved in the provision or production for local or regional populations of legal healthcare or pharmaceutical products, services or education in said countries;
  - By facilitating the creation of contacts between, on the one hand, enterprises
    described in the preceding paragraph, regardless of their material or technical
    difficulties (or lack thereof), and, on the other hand, any and all potential partners
    in said development in more economically developed countries.
- (C) To do any and all lawful acts or activities that may be necessary, useful or desirable for the accomplishment, fostering or development of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments, or agencies.

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#### ARTICLE V. POWERS

The powers of the Corporation shall be provided in the bylaws of the Corporation in accordance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, with the following limitations within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future United States tax code:

- (A) 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 (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office, unless the Corporation elects the provisions of Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future United States tax code.
- (B) No part of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in ARTICLE IV hereof.
- (C) Notwithstanding any other provision of these ARTICLES, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future United States tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future United States tax code.

#### ARTICLE VI. DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, its assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed 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. ELECTION OF CORPORATE DIRECTORS

The directors of the Corporation, other than the initial directors named in ARTICLE VIII hereof, shall be elected in accordance with methods and qualifications specified in the bylaws of the Corporation. In no event, shall the number of directors be fewer than three.

#### ARTICLE VIII. INITIAL DIRECTORS

The name and addresses of the persons who are the initial directors of the Corporation are:

Name: BEUGRE, Esther A. Address: 402 Whisper Wind Lane,

Woodstock, GA 30188

Name: KACOU, Franck G.

Address: 209 Millstone Road, Apt. U

Florence, SC 29505

Name: KACOU, Marie-Alice C.

Address:

419 East Broughton Street, Apt. 2

Savannah, GA 31401

ARTICLE IX. INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator are:

Name: KACOU, Franck G.

Address:

209 Millstone Road, Apt. U

Florence, SC 29505

ARTICLE X. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name and Florida street address of the Registered Agent are:

Name: NRAI Services, Inc.

Address:

2731 Executive Park Drive, Suite 4

Weston, FL 33331

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.

mature/Registered Agent Xonda Diven, Assistant Secretary

Signature/Incorporator