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SUBJECT: Restated Articles of Incorporation of

Vedic Communications Institute, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the restated articles of incorporation, required certificate, and a check for

\$35.00

From:

Marsha McClellan P.O. Box 238 Alachua, Florida 32616 904-462-5054

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## Vedic Communications Institute, Inc. Certificate pursuant to Section 617.1007, Florida Statutes Restated articles of incorporation

The Restated Articles of Incorporation of Vedic Communication, Inc. as attached contain no amendment to the original articles requiring member approval. The Board of Directors have adopted the Restatement according to their powers under the By-laws of the Corporation.

Certified by my signature

Marsha McClellan

Secretary

Vedic Communications Institute, Inc.

6-24-98

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ALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

## Restated ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

of

Vedic Communications Institute, Inc.

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation formed pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation of such Corporation.

#### Article I Name

The name of this corporation shall be ISKCON World News, Inc.

#### Article II

#### Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address

The address of this corporation is 21106 NW County Rd. 239, Alachua, FL 32615. The mailing address of this corporation is P.O. Box 238, Alachua, FL 32616-0238.

## Article III Duration of Corporation

This corporation shall exist perpetually.

#### Article IV Purposes

The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Florida Corporations Not For Profit Statutes.

The corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for the religious, educational, charitable, and literary purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

The corporation is especially organized to execute the purposes enumerated in this Article. Said purposes shall be executed according to the tenets and practices revealed by the recognized spiritual teachers coming in disciplic succession of the Gaudiya Vaishnava Sampradaya which culminates in the teachings and personal example of His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, the Founder-Acharya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), a

generally recognized religious denomination, also known as the Hare Krishna Movement:

- 1. To publish and distribute newspapers, periodicals, manuals, newsletters, books, and other writings as a ministry within ISKCON to bring the members of ISKCON, the Hare Krishna Movement, closer together in order to strengthen the Society. Such publications shall achieve this goal by the following means:
- (a) Documenting the worldwide efforts of Hare Krishna devotees and supporters to establish spiritual consciousness in a materialistic world.
- (b) Informing readers about the value and applications of Krishna consciousness.
- (c) Stimulating and encouraging readers to inquire about the purpose of life.
  - (d) Providing access to genuine spiritual resources.
- (e) Demonstrating how ISKCON, the Hare Krishna Movement, benefits individuals and society by providing practical solutions to the spiritual and material problems of today's world.
- (f) Encouraging readers to study the culture and philosophy of Krishna consciousness as presented in the literature of His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.
- (g) Providing selected news of current events, trends, issues, products, and services of interest to our readers.
- 2. To act as a teaching resource within ISKCON for skills instruction in communications sciences and office work for the ordained ministry and lay membership through a variety of media.
- 3. To preserve cultural and historical information collected by the corporation.

#### Article V Additional Purposes

The Corporation is further organized in pursuance of the following purposes of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, a generally recognized religious denomination, as promulgated by its Founder-Acharya, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada:

(a) To systematically propagate spiritual knowledge to society at large and to educate all people in the techniques of

spiritual life in order to check the imbalance of values in life and to achieve real unity and peace in the world.

- (b) To propagate a consciousness of Krishna as He is revealed in the <u>Bhagavad-gita As It Is</u>, <u>Srimad-Bhagavatam</u>, and other authorized Vedic literatures as translated and presented by His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.
- (c) To bring the members of the Society together with each other and nearer to Krishna, the Prime Entity, and thus to develop the idea, within the members, and humanity at large, that each soul is part and parcel of the quality of Godhead (Krishna).
- (d) To teach and encourage the Sankirtana Movement, congregational chanting of the Holy Name of God, as revealed in the teachings of Lord Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu.
- (e) To bring the members closer together for the purpose of teaching a simpler and more natural way of life.
- (f) To receive, administer, and distribute funds, and to do all other things necessary and proper in furtherance of the above stated purposes.

#### Article VI Members

The Corporation shall have no members. However, any action which would otherwise, under law or the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of the Corporation, require approval by a majority of all members or approval by members, shall require the approval of the Board of Directors.

Furthermore, all rights which would otherwise vest in the members under law, the Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of this Corporation, shall vest in the Directors of the Corporation.

#### Article VI

#### Manner of Election of Directors and Corporate Governance

The manner of selection of officers and directors of the Corporation and any and all rules and regulations as shall be deemed necessary for carrying out the purposes of the Corporation shall be stated in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### Article VII Bylaws

The Bylaws of the Corporation shall be made, altered or rescinded by the Board of Directors.

#### Article VII Distribution of Assets Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively to other educational institutes, communications offices or integral agencies of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness in accord with the educational and religious purposes of the Corporation, or for one or more other 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 as determined by the Directors.

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 VIII Registered Agent

The name and address in the State of Florida of this Corporation's registered agent is:

Heyward A. Bradman; 757 NW 27th Avenue Third Floor; Miami, Florida 33125.

## Article IX Initial Board of Directors

The number of persons consisting the first Board of Directors shall be three (3), and their names and addresses are as follows:

Ronald G. McClellan P.O. Box 238, Alachua, FL 32616-0238
Marsha L. McClellan P.O. Box 238, Alachua, FL 32616-0238
Michael A. Grant 10310 Oaklyn Dr., Potomac, MD

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#### Article X Limitation on Corporate Powers

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its trustees, 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.

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 publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### Article XI Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is Marsha McClellan, P.O. Box 238, Alachua, Florida 32616.

I, the undersigned, herinbefore named, for the purpose of forming this corporation pursuant to, Florida Statutes, do make these Articles of Incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly have hereunto set my hand

Marshall Meddler, 1998.

Marsha L. McClellan, Incorporator