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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF ORIUS TELECOM SERVICES, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Ferida Business Corporation Act, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation is **ORIUS TELECOM SERVICES**, **INC.** (hereinafter called the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office and mailing address of the Corporation is: c/o Orius Corp., 1401 Forum Way, Suite 400, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The Corporation is organized to engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and Florida.

ARTICLE IV CAPITAL STOCK

The number of shares of stock that the Corporation is authorized to issue is One Thousand (1,000) shares, One Cent (\$0.01) par value per share, of common stock. Each issued and outstanding share of common stock shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the Corporation's initial registered office is: 1200 S. Pine Island Road, Plantation, Florida 33324. The name of the Corporation's initial registered agent at that office is: CT Corporation System.

ARTICLE VI INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator of the Corporation is: Donn A. Beloff, 350 E. Las Olas Blvd., Suite 1600, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33301.

ARTICLE VII INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation shall indemnify any present or former officer or director, or person exercising powers or duties of an officer or a director, to the full extent now or hereafter permitted by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 8th day of December, 2000.

Donn A. Beloff, Incorporator

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0501 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, the undersigned submits the following statement in accepting the designation as registered agent and registered office of **ORIUS TELECOM SERVICES**, **INC.**, a Florida corporation (the "Corporation"), in the Corporation's articles of incorporation:

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the Corporation at the registered office designated in the Corporation's articles of incorporation, the undersigned accepts the appointment as registered agent and agrees to act in this capacity. The undersigned further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of its duties, and the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the obligations of its position as registered agent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate this 11th day of December, 2000.

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