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June 26, 1998

The Honorable Sandra Mortham Secretary of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

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Re: Bridges to U.S.A., Florida, Inc.

Dear Secretary Mortham:

Please find enclosed the original articles of incorporation for the above-referenced corporation, along with a copy of the same. I have also enclosed a check in the amount of \$122.50, which is calculated as follows:

Filing Fee: \$35.00 Certified Copy: \$52.50

Registered Agent Fee: \$35.00

TOTAL: \$122.50

Please file the original enclosed articles of incorporation and return a certified copy to the undersigned in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Linda J. Lalbot

Linda J. Talbot, Legal Assistant

**Enclosures** 

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

### BRIDGES TO U.S.A., FLORIDA, INC.

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#### ARTICLE I

Corporate Name

The name of the Corporation is Bridges to U.S.A., Florida, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II

Nature of Business and Powers

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

#### ARTICLE III

Capital Stock

The number of shares the Corporation is authorized to issue is one hundred (100) shares.

#### ARTICLE IV

Term of Existence

The existence of the Corporation will commence on the date of filing of these Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE V

Registered Agent and Initial Registered Office

The Registered Agent and the initial Registered Office of this Corporation in the State of Florida shall be:

John W. Staunton, Esq. 3446 Lake Drive Palm Harbor, FL 34683

The Board of Directors from time to time may move the Registered Office to any other address in the State of Florida.

# ARTICLE VI Board of Directors

The Corporation shall have one director initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by Bylaws adopted by the stockholders, but shall never be less than one.

## ARTICLE VII

**Initial Director** 

The Corporation shall have one director initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time, as provided in the bylaws, but shall never be less than one. The name and street address of the initial director is:

Jacques Painchaud 5805 Portsmouth Drive Tampa, FL 33615

#### ARTICLE VIII

Incorporator

The name and street address of the Incorporator is:

Jacques Painchaud 5805 Portsmouth Drive Tampa, FL 33615

#### ARTICLE IX

Amendments

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the stockholders and approved at a stockholders' meeting by at least a majority of the stock entitled to vote, unless all of the directors and all of the stockholders sign a written statement manifesting their intention that a certain amendment of these Articles of Incorporation be made.

# ARTICLE X Bylaws

The power to adopt, alter, amend, or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the board of directors and the shareholders, except that the board of directors may not amend or repeal any bylaw adopted by the shareholders if the shareholders specifically provide that the bylaw is not subject to amendment or repeal by the directors.

# ARTICLE XI Preemptive Rights

Each shareholder of this Corporation shall have the first right to purchase shares of any class, kind or series of stock in this Corporation that may from time to time be issued, including shares from the treasury of this Corporation, in the ratio that the number of shares he holds at the time of issue bears to the total number of shares by any shareholder who does not exercise it and pay for the shares preempted within thirty days of receipt of a notice in writing from the Corporation, stating the prices, terms and conditions of the issue of shares, and inviting him to exercise his preemptive rights. This right may also be waived by affirmative written waiver submitted by the shareholder to the Corporation within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from the Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 2 day of June, 1998.

Jacques Painchaud Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA ))
COUNTY OF PINELLAS ))

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of June, 1997, by Jacques Painchaud, as Incorporator of Bridges To U.S.A., Florida, Inc., who is [1] personally known to me or has [1] produced identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF FLORIDA LINDA J. TALBOT COMMISSION # CC636626 EXPIRES 4/8/2001 BONDED THRU ASA 1-888-NOTARY1 Linda J. Talbo

## ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named as resident agent for the above-stated Corporation, 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 obligations of Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes (1994).

John Staunton

Resident Agent

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