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Dear Sirs,

Enclosed please find the Articles of Incorporation and Certificate of Designation (originals and copies) for MUELLER EXCLUSIVE USA, INC.

In addition, I have enclosed a check in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-two & 50/100 (\$122.50) Dollars, for the following costs:

Filing Fee:	\$ 35.00
Registered Agent Fee:	\$ 35.00
Certified Copy of Charter Document	\$ 52.50
Total	\$122.50

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Please issue the Certificate of Incorporation and return it to this office along with a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation at your earliest convenience.

Your cooperation and assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Deborah L. Nicklaus

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

MÜELLER EXCLUSIVE USA, INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida General Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

FIRST: The name of the corporation is MÜELLER EXCLUSIVE USA, INC.

SECOND: The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

THIRD: The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation is as follows:

To engage in the business of importing and exporting goods of every kind, type, and description; to purchase and sell such goods as a wholesaler, retailer, distributor, or otherwise and to act as an agent or broker in the sale of goods of every kind, type, and description; to do all things as are necessary to the accomplishment of the purposes set forth herein.

To engage in a general merchandising and manufacturing business, and to purchase, manufacture or otherwise acquire, pledge, lease, invest in, make or receive consignments or bailments of, import, export, mortgage, sell, assign and transfer, or otherwise dispose of and generally to deal in commodities and products and merchandise, goods, wares, machinery, fabrics of every description, whether natural or synthetic, printed materials, and articles of commerce, whether constituting real or personal property, of every kind, character and description whatsoever, and wheresoever situated, at any place or places in the United States of America or foreign countries throughout the world.

To act as broker, or as commercial, sales, business commission merchant, or financial agent, or otherwise, or as attorney-in-fact for individuals, co-partnerships, joint stock associations or corporations, foreign or domestic, including governments or governmental authorities; and to aid and assist, promote and conserve the interest of and afford facilities for the continuous transaction of business by its principals and patrons in the United States of America or in foreign countries throughout the world.

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To purchase or otherwise hold, own, maintain, improve, operate, mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise, dispose of, and to lease real and personal property of every class and description in any of the states, districts or territories of the United States and in any other foreign countries, subject to the laws of such state, district, territory or country.

To purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, use, sell, assign, lease, grant licenses in respect of, mortgage or otherwise dispose of patents of the United States or any foreign country, patent rights, licenses and privileges, inventions, improvements and processes, copyrights, trademarks and trade names.

For its purposes, or any terms and without limit, to borrow or receive money, and, from time to time, to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, drafts, bills or exchange and other obligations of the corporation, and to secure the payment of any such obligations by mortgage, pledge, deed, indenture, agreement or other instruments of trust, or by other lien upon, assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property rights or privileges of the corporation wherever situated, whether now owned or hereafter to be acquired.

To purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, cancel, reissue, sell, resell, pledge, transfer and otherwise dispose of its own shares, so far as may be permitted by law.

To purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of shares of capital stock of, or bonds, securities, or evidences of indebtedness created by any other corporation or corporations organized under the law of this state or any other state, country, nation or government, and while the owner thereof, to exercise all the rights, powers, and privileges of ownership.

To make, enter into, perform and carry out contracts, agreements, and obligations of every sort and kind, which may be necessary or convenient for the business of this company or business of a similar nature, with any person, firm, corporation, private, public or municipal, body politic under the government of the United States or any state, territory, possession or colony thereof, or any foreign government, so far as, and to the extent that, the

same maybe done and performed by corporations organized under the Florida General Corporation Act.

To acquire and pay for in cash, shares or bonds of this corporation or otherwise, the good will, rights, assets and property, and to undertake or assume the whole or any part of the obligations or liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation.

To do all and every thing necessary or convenient for the accomplishment of the objects or purposes herein enumerated, or necessary, incidental or appropriate to the protection of the corporation.

In general, to carry on any other similar business in connection with the foregoing, and to have and exercise all the powers conferred from time to time by the laws of the State of Florida upon corporations formed under the Florida General Corporation Act and to do any or all of the things hereinbefore set forth to the same extent as natural persons might or could do.

The foregoing clauses of this ARTICLE THIRD shall be construed as purposes, objects and powers, and the matters expressed in each clause shall not be limited in any way, except as otherwise expressly provided, by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause (or any other matter within the same clause), but shall be regarded as independent purposes, objects and powers; shall not be construed to exclude, limit or restrict in any manner any power, right or privilege given to the corporation by law, or to limit or restrict in any manner the meaning of the general terms of such clauses, or the general powers of the corporation, nor shall the expression of one thing be deemed to exclude another, although it be of like nature, not expressed.

FOURTH: The corporation is authorized to issue a total of one thousand (1,000) shares. Such shares shall be of a single class and shall have a par value of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share.

FIFTH: The shareholders of the corporation shall have a preemptive right to subscribe to any or all additional issues of the stock of the corporation.

SIXTH: The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 5200 Brittany Drive South #1603, St. Petersburg, Florida 33715, and the name of the initial registered agent at that address is FRED K. TREIBER.

The address of the principal place of business of the corporation is 6294 Bahia Del Mar Circle #114, St. Petersburg, FL 33715.

SEVENTH: The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, consisting of no less than one (1) person nor more than five (5). The names and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified, are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>
WERNER MUELLER	6294 Bahia Del Mar Circle #114 St. Petersburg, Florida 33715	Director
FRED K. TREIBER	5200 Brittany Dr. So. #1603 St. Petersburg, Florida 33715	Director

EIGHTH: The names and post office addresses of the officers of the corporation are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>
WERNER MUELLER	6294 Bahia Del Mar Circle #114 St. Petersburg, Florida 33715	President
FRED K. TREIBER	5200 Brittany Dr. So. #1603 St. Petersburg, Florida 33715	Secretary/ Treasurer

NINTH: The name and post office address of each incorporator of the Articles of Incorporation, the number of shares of the stock each agrees to take, and the value of the consideration therefore are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>NUMBER OF SHARES</u>
WERNER MUELLER	6294 Bahia Del Mar Circle #114 St. Petersburg, Florida 33715	500 shares \$500

TENTH: The corporation shall commence its existence on the 15th day of October, 1998.

ELEVENTH: 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 a majority of the stock entitled to vote thereon.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned incorporators of this corporation have executed these Articles of Incorporation at St. Petersburg, Florida, this 15th day of October, 1998.

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WERNER MUELLER

STATE OF FLORIDA :
COUNTY OF PINELLAS:

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared WERNER MUELLER, who personally known to me to be the individual who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and having by me first been duly sworn severally says that the matters set forth in said Articles are true.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 15th day of October, 1998.

Deborah L. Nicklaus
Notary Public

State of Florida at Large

Print Name: _____

Commission Number _____

Commission Expires _____



DEBORAH L. NICKLAUS
My Commission CC472644
Expires Jul. 11, 1999
Bonded by HAI
800-422-1555

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION
OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

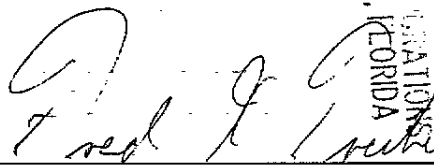
Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0501 of the Florida Corporation Act, the undersigned Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating its registered office and registered agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the Corporation is MUELLER EXCLUSIVE USA, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office of the Corporation is:

FRED K. TREIBER
5200 Brittany Drive South #1603
St. Petersburg, FL 33715.

Signed:


FRED K. TREIBER
Secretary/Treasurer

Date: Oct 15, 1998

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATING TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

SIGNATURE:

DATE: Oct 15, 1998

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