

U.S. District Court Middle Dist t of Florida

# GOVERNMENT EXHIBIT

### Exhibit No.:

Case No.: 8:03-CR-77-T-30TBM UNITED STATES OF AMERICA vs.

SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN, ET AL.

Date Identified:\_\_\_

Date Admitted: 0 8 JUN 2005



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I certify from the records of this office that WISE WORLD AND ISLAM STUDIES ENTERPRISE, INC. is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, filed on February 21, 1991.

The document number of this corporation is N42200.

I further certify that said corporation has paid all fees due this office through December 31, 1992, that its most recent annual report was filed on June 2, 1992, and its status is active.

I further certify that said corporation has not filed Articles of Dissolution.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the 4th day of June, 1992.



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Jim Smith Secretary of State



I certify from the records of this office that WORLD AND ISLAM STUDIES ENTERPRISE (WISE), INC. is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, filed on February 21, 1991.

The document number of this corporation is N42200.

I further certify that said corporation has paid all fees and penalties due this office through December 31, 1993, that its most recent annual report was filed on May 1, 1993, and its status is active.

I further certify that said corporation has not filed Articles of Dissolution.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the Seventeenth day of May, 1993

Jim Smith Secretary of State



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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Jim Smith Secretary of State

February 22, 1991

SAMI A. AL-ARIAN 5207 E 127TH AVE. TAMPA, FL 33617

Dear Sir:

The Articles of Incorporation for WORLD AND ISLAM STUDIES ENTERPRISE (WISE), INC. were filed on February 21, 1991, and assigned document number N42200.

Your check for \$122.50 covering the various fees has been received.

Enclosed is a certified copy of the articles.

A corporation annual report will be due this office between January 1 and July 1 of next year. A Federal Employer Identification (FEI) number will be required before this report can be filed. Please apply NOW with the Internal Revenue Service by calling 1-800-829-3676 and requesting form SS-4.

Please be aware if the corporate address changes, it is the responsibility of the corporation to notify this office.

Should you have questions regarding corporations, please contact us at the address given below.

BRENDOLYN BRUTON New Filings Section Division of Corporations

Division of Corporations, PO Box 6327, Tallahassee, Florida 32314

## CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION

# **REGISTERED AGENT/ REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.325, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/ registered agent, in the State of Florida.

- 1. The name of the Corporation (A non-profit organization) is: World and Islam Studies Enterprise (WISE), Inc.
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees is:

Sami A. Al-Arian, Ph.D. 5207 E. 127<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33617, USA

Signature: Sam O. Q. Quim

Title:

Chairman of the Board

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Date:

-<u>1/1/1991</u>

Having been named to accept services of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, 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 I accept the duties and obligations of section 607.325, Florida Statutes.

Signature : Sam (Registered Agent)

Date:

1/1/1991

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH THE FORGOING instrument was acknowledged and sworn to before me this <u>20-th</u> day of <u>February</u>, 1991, by Sami A. Al-Arian of World and Islam Studies Enterprise (WISE), Inc.

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Notary Public

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NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA MY COMMISSION EXP JUNE 27, 1993 WHOLD THRU GENERAL INS. UND. Expires:

# In The Name Allah, The Beneficent, The Mercitul, AMII: 17

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**The undersigned,** acting as incorporators of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation of such corporation:

#### ARTICLE I

#### NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be: World and Islam Studies Enterprise (WISE), Inc.

The principal place of business of this Corporation shall be: 5207 E. 127th Ave. Tampa, Florida 33617

#### ARTICLE II

#### DURATION

The period of the duration of this corporation is perpetual unless dissolved according to the law.

#### ARTICLE III

#### PURPOSE

- A. The Corporation is organized exclusively for educational and academic research and analysis, and promotion of international peace and understanding; more specifically the following:
  - 1. To establish an interdisciplinary research center for the study of the political and other developments, especially in the Arab and Muslim Worlds.

- 2. To conduct, sponsor and publish research studies by resident and non-resident scholars on subjects of interest to the center including but not limited to :
  - a. Islamic History and Civilization.
  - b. The Arab and Muslim Worlds.
  - c. The Palestine Issue.
  - d. The Islamic Movements.
  - e. Southern Hemisphere.
  - f. Western Civilization.
  - g. International and Strategic Studies.
- 3. To conduct and publish periodical policy review reports and analysis on important international developments and in the Arab and Muslim Worlds.
- 4. To collect information and documentary sources on issues and subjects of interest.
- 5. To survey and publish a periodical index of books and articles on issues of concern for Muslims.
- 6. To conduct and publish periodical surveys of public opinion trends in different parts of the World, especially in the Muslim World.
- 7. To sponsor and provide academic supervision and services to researchers and scholars.
- 8. To sponsor and provide forums for discussion, dialogue and debate by organizing international conferences and sponsoring seminars, lectures and panels.
- 9. To address public concern issues, coordinate activities for World peace and develop other steps necessary for the achievement of international understanding and cooperation among peoples as affected by issues relating to the Muslim World.
- 10. To promote, encourage and foster cooperation between similar institutions in the United States and abroad.

- 11. To promote, encourage and foster research, educational, scientific, cultural, social, charitable and scholarly activities having purposes consonant with those of the Corporation.
- 12. To accept, hold, invest, reinvest, administer any gifts, grants, legacies, bequests, devices, funds and property of any sort or nature, and to use, expend or donate the income or principal thereof for, and to devote the same to, the foregoing purposes of the Corporation.
- 13. To do any and all lawful acts and things which may be necessary, useful, suitable or proper for the furtherance or accomplishment of the purposes of the Corporation.
- B. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual. The Corporation shall, however, be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activity not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c) (4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

#### ARTICLE IV

#### <u>Membership</u>

The Corporation shall have no members.

#### ARTICLE V

#### Trustees and Regulation of Internal Affairs

A. The minimum number of Trustees constituting the Board of Trustees shall be three (3) and the maximum number shall be fifteen (15). The Chairman of the Board shall be the head of the Corporation.

- B. The exact number of Trustees, their election, term of office, termination, provisions for regulation and conduct of the affairs of the Corporation and creating, defining, limiting or regulating the powers of the Corporation shall be provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation.
- C. The policies and affairs of the Corporation shall be set by the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees may elect or appoint persons to administer, operate and execute the purposes and the day to day affairs of the Corporation in any manner provided by in these articles and the By-laws.
- D. The By-laws and any amendments of the Articles of Incorporation or the By-laws, or their repeal shall be adopted by the a majority of two-thirds (2/3) in a duly held meeting of the Board of Trustees.
- E The number consisting the initial Board of Trustees of the Corporation is three, and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve initially are:

<u>Name</u>

#### <u>Address</u>

Sami A. Al-Arian 5207 E. 127<sup>th</sup> Ave., Tampa, Fl 33617 (Chairman)

Nahla A. Al-Arian 5207 E. 127th Ave., Tampa, Fl 33617

Omar M. Ramahi P.O.Box 2101-A, Champaign, IL 61820

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporators have executed there articles of Incorporation this First of January, 1991.

#### ARTICLE VI

This Corporation is organized under a non-stock basis.

#### STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

THE FORGOING instrument was acknowledged and sworn to before 20 th day of February, 1991, by me this Sami A. Al-Arian of World and Islam Studies Enterprise (WISE), Inc.

(SEAL)

RNIN Notary Public

NOTARY PUPLIC STATE OF FLORIDA MY COMMISSION EXP JUNE 27,1993 BUTTLED THRU GENERAL INS. UND. Expires:

My

Commission

#### ARTICLE VII

#### <u>Dissolution</u>

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of trustees shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner to the Islamic Concern Project, Inc., or in its absence to such Islamic organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for cultural, educational, scientific or charitable purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501 (c) (4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, as the Board of Trustees shall determine.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Incorporators \*

The name and address of each incorporator is:

Name ,	Address
Sami A. Al-Arian	5207 E. 127th Ave., Tampa, Fl 33617
Nahla A. Al-Arian	5207 E. 127th Ave., Tampa, FI 33617
Omar M. Ramahi	P.O.Box 2101-A, Champaign, IL 61820

Signatures of Incorporators

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Sami A. Al-Arian, Ph.D. 5207 E. 127<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33617, USA

Signature: Sam 0.4

Title: Chairman of the Board

Date:

<u>1/1/1991</u>

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Signature: Sam O. QD- Man (Registered Agent)

Date: <u>1/1/1991</u>