



Factual Certificate n° /226/ Constitution of an Organization under the denomination

"MAHARAT FOUNDATION"

Its headquarters: Antelias - District of Metn

The Minister of Interior and Municipalities,

By virtue of the Decree $n^{\circ}/14953$ / dated 19/7/2005 (charging the Government) and the decree n° /14954/ dated 29/07/2005 (designation of ministers when titular ministers are absent),

By virtue of the Law of Organizations issued on the 3rd of August 1909, and its article 6 in particular,

By virtue of the request submitted by the founders of the Organization denominated "MAHARAT FOUNDATION" and registered before the Common Administrative Directorate under n° /5336/ on 02/03/2006,

By virtue of the proposal of the Director General of Political Affairs and Refugees by delegation,

Decrees the following

<u>First Article:</u> The factual certificate is given to the Organization denominated "MAHARAT FOUNDATION"

Its headquarters: Antelias - Antoine Bou Chahine property - district of Metn

Its object:

The object of the Organization is to develop information and journalism skills in all their kinds and expressions, to participate with the competent unions authorities and the related official committees to procure requisite means in this respect, theoretically and practically, as well as to accompany modern concepts and techniques in the world of press and information, enabling the members of information and press to benefit of it and developing perpetual performance, education and training.



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In order to reach its goals, the Organization has to perform all activities in the frame of its object, namely: to organize training and education sessions, seminars, instructional colloquiums, scientific conferences, to publish periodical and non-periodical brochures and prints, to document information, to exchange experiences, to put studies, to use audio-visual means, with the cooperation and coordination of the official competent authorities and both Press and Editors Unions, associations, specialized organizations and universities.

Provided that the abovementioned clauses are applied according to rules and regulations enforced and with the approval of the competent authorities.

The Founders M.M.:

Roula Naamatallah MEKHAEL Rabih Gerges EL CHAHER Melhem Antoine RIACHI Ziad Salim BAROUD Aline Fouad FARAH Walid Nadim ABBOUD Jamil Kamel MROUEH

The Representative of the Organization towards the Government:

Mr. Ziad Salim BAROUD

<u>Second Article</u>: The Constitutive Committee has to achieve the constitutive procedures of the Organization and call for the election of an Administrative Committee within one year from the date of the publishing of the factual certificate in the official gazette, otherwise the factual certificate is considered cancelled.

Third Article: The said Organization has to submit to the Ministry of Interior and Municipalities on the first month of each year a list comprising the names of its members and a copy of its annual budget and its previous lump sum and to proceed to the election of the new Administrative Committee one month at least before the end of the Administrative Committee term, otherwise it will be subject to the provisions of law published by the decree n°/10830/ dated 19/10/1962 and its amendments and fines mentioned therein.

Fourth Article: This factual certificate will be notified to be used wherever needed.

Beirut, on May 25, 2006
The Minister of Interior and Municipalities, by proxy
Dr Ahmad FATFAT

True Translation of the Arabic text herewith attached The Sworn Translator Mireille SCHOUCAIR SEBAALY

