

Corporate name

(name in parent state)
Business name

Identity of register (if applicable)

Legal form (See note 3)

(if different to corporate name)

Country of Incorporation



CHFP000

(See note 5)

This form should be completed in black.

Return delivered for registration of a branch of an oversea company

(Pursuant to Schedule 21A, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act 1985)

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For office CN FC 22806	BN BR 5767
MITSUI & CO PRECIOUS MI	ETALS INC
UNITED STATES OF AMERIC	CA
SECRETARY OF STATE OF	DELAWARE
	and registration no. 32050977
LIMITED BY SHARES	· .
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* State whether the company is a credit or financial institution

•	Is the	company	subject to	Section	699A of	the	Companies	Act	19857
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YES

NO V

(1) These boxes need not be completed by companies formed in EC member states

Governing law (See note 4)

SECTION 101 GENERAL CORPORATION LAW OF DELAWARE

Accounting requirements

Period for which t	he company	is I	required to prepare accounts by	
parent law. from	JANUARY	1	to DECEMBER	3

Period allowed for the preparation and public disclosure of accounts for the above period NO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE months

(02/00)

(2) This box need NOT be completed by companies from EC member states, OR where the constitutional documents of the company already show this information.

Address of principal place of business in home country	200 PARK AVENUE
	NEW YORK, 10166 USA
Objects of company	PLEASE SEE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
Issued share capital	15,000 SHARES Currency US DOLLARS
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Company Secretary(ies) (See note 10)	* Style / Title N / A
Name	Forenames
	Surname
	* Honours etc.
* Voluntary details	Previous Forenames
	Previous surname
Address	
	<u> </u>
	Post town
Usual residential address must be given. In the case of a corporation,	County / Region
give the registered or principal	Postcode Country
office address.	
office address.	
Company Secretary(ies) (See note 10)	* Style / Title N / A
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((2) This box need NOT be completed by companies from EC member states, OR where the constitutional documents of the company already show this information.				
Address of principal place of business in home country	200 PARK AVENUE				
	NEW YORK, 10166 USA				
Objects of company	GENERAL TRADING COMPANY				
Issued share capital	15,000 SHARES Currency US DOLLARS				
Company Secretary(ies) (See note 10)	* Style / Title N7A				
Name	Forenames				
	Surname				
	* Honours etc.				
* Voluntary details	Previous Forenames				
	Previous surname				
Address					
	Post town				
Usual residential address must be given. In the case of a corporation,	County / Region				
give the registered or principal office address.	Postcode Country				
Company Secretary(ies) (See note 10)	* Style / Title N / A				
Name	Forenames				
	Surname				
	* Honours etc.				
* Voluntary details	Previous Forenames				
	Previous surname				
Address					
	Post town				
Usual residential address must be given. In the case of a corporation,	County / Region				
give the registered or principal office address.	Postcode Country				
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if required)

Directors (See note 10)	* Style / Title MR
Name	Forenames ROBERT TIMOTHY
Name	
	Surname GARDINER
* Malumbanu dataila	* Honours etc.
* Voluntary details	Previous Forenames
	Previous surname
Address	
	Post town 30 PRYER LANE
Usual residential address must be	County / Region LARCHMONT, NEW YORK
given. In the case of a corporation, give the registered or principal office address.	Postcode 10538 Country USA
onice address.	Day Month Year
	Date of Birth 2 1 0 9 1 9 6 1
	Nationality CANADIAN
	Business Occupation PRESIDENT & CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFIC
	NONE
	Other Directorships NONE
SCOPE OF AUTHORITY	The extent of the authority to represent the company is :- (give details)
Give brief particulars of the extent of the powers exercised. (e.g. whether	TO REPRESENT THE COMPANY IS TO EXERCISE ALL
they are limited to powers expressly conferred by the instrument of appointment; or whether they are	CORPORATE POWERS AND AUTHORITY OF THE COMPANY
subject to express limitations.) Where the powers are exercised	(EXCEPT AT THE TIME OTHERWISE PROVIDED) BY LAW
jointly give the name(s) of the person(s) concerned. You may cross refer to the	OR BY THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OR BY THE
details of person(s) disclosed elsewhere on the form.	BY LAWS
	These powers :-
	# May be exercised alone

Mark box(es) as appropriate

Must be exercised with :- (Give name(s) of co-authorised person(s))					

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(See note 10)

Name

* Voluntary details

Address

Usual residential address must be given. In the case of a corporation, give the registered or principal office address.

SCOPE OF AUTHORITY

Give brief particulars of the extent of the powers exercised. (e.g. whether they are limited to powers expressly conferred by the instrument of appointment; or whether they are subject to express limitations.) Where the powers are exercised jointly give the name(s) of the person(s) concerned. You may cross refer to the details of person(s) disclosed elsewhere on the form.

Mark box(es) as appropriate

* Style / Title MR
Forenames MINORU
SurnameIKEDA
* Honours etc
Previous Forenames
Previous surname
Post town 3 NIMITZ PLACE
County/Region OLD GREENWHICH, CONNETICUT
Postcode 06870 Country USA
Day Month Year
Date of Birth 0 4 0 2 1 1 9 5 2
NationalityJAPANESE
Business Occupation SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
Other Directorships MITSUI & CO (USA) INC, MITSUI & CO
COMMODITIES CORPORATION, MITAL CO, GINREI INC.
The extent of the authority to represent the company is :- (give details)
TO EXERCISE ALL CORPORATE POWERS AND AUTHORITY
OF THE COMPANY (EXCEPT AT THE TIME OTHERWISE
PROVIDED) BY LAW OR BY THE CERTIFICATE OF
INCORPORATION OR BY THE BY LAWS.
These powers :-
May be exercised alone OR
Must be exercised with :-
(Give name(s) of co-authorised person(s))

Directors (See note 10)	* Style / Title MR
Name	Forenames TETSUYA
	Surname MATSUOKA
	* Honours etc.
Voluntary details	Previous Forenames
1	Previous surname
Address	
	Post town 13-16-17 ZENPUKUJI
Usual residential address must be given. In the case of a corporation,	County/Region SUGINAMI-KU, TOKYO _
give the registered or principal office address.	Postcode CountryJAPAN
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Day Month Year Date of Birth 0 5 0 1 1 9 4 5
	NationalityJAPANESE
-	Business Occupation DIRECTOR
	Other Directorships SEE ATTACHED LIST
SCOPE OF AUTHORITY Give brief particulars of the extent of	The extent of the authority to represent the company is:- (give details) TO EXERCISE ALL CORPORATE POWERS AND AUTHORITY
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conferred by the instrument of appointment; or whether they are	THE LAW OR BY THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
subject to express limitations.) Where the powers are exercised jointly give the name(s) of the person(s)	OF BY THE BY LAWS.
concerned. You may cross refer to the details of person(s) disclosed elsewhere on the form.	
•	These powers:
# Mark box(es) as appropriate	# May be exercised alone OR
	# Must be exercised with :-

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Directors (See note 10)	* Style / Title MB
Name	Forenames YOSHIO
,	Surname MORISHITA
	* Honours etc.
* Voluntary details	Previous Forenames
	Previous surname
Address	
	Post town 335 WIMBLEDON CENTRAL
Usual residential address must be given. In the case of a corporation,	County/Region 21/23 WORPLE ROAD, LONDON
give the registered or principal office address.	Postcode SW19 4BJ Country ENGLAND
	Day Month Year
	Date of Birth 2 3 0 2 1 9 5 0
	NationalityJAPANESE
	Business OccupationGENERAL MANAGER
· -	Other Directorships SEE ATTACHED LIST
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SCOPE OF AUTHORITY	The extent of the authority to represent the company is :- (give details)
Give brief particulars of the extent of the powers exercised. (e.g. whether	TO EXERCISE ALL CORPORATE POWERS AND AUTHORITY
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subject to express limitations.) Where the powers are exercised	PROVIDED) BY LAW, OR BY THE CERTIFICATE OF
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details of person(s) disclosed elsewhere on the form.	
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	# Must be exercised with :- (Give name(s) of co-authorised person(s))

Directors (See note 10)	* Style / Title	. MR	
Name		SATORU	
	Surname		
	* Honours etc		
Voluntary details		nes	
)	
Address			
	Post town	46-2-2 MATSUGAYA HACHIOJI	
Usual residential address must be		TOKYO	
given. In the case of a corporation, give the registered or principal office address.		Country JAPAN	
] [Day Month Year 7 1 2 1 9 4 7	
	Nationality ——	JAPANESE	
	Business Occupa	ation DIRECTOR	
		ps SEE ATTACHED LIST	
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appointment; or whether they are subject to express limitations.)	PROVIDED) BY LAW OR BY THE CERTIFICATE OF		
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Must be exercised with :-

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(Give name(s) of co-authorised person(s))

Directors (See note 10)	* Style / Title MR	
Name	Forenames KAZUO	
	Surname TASAKA	
	* Honours etc.	
* Voluntary details	Previous Forenames	
	Previous surname	
Address		
	Post town 1-36-22-567 TAKADA	
Usual residential address must be given. In the case of a corporation,	County/Region TOSHIMA KU, TOKYO	
give the registered or principal office address.	Postcode Country JAPAN	
'	Day Month Year	
	Date of Birth 2 7 1 2 1 9 4 7	
	NationalityJAPANESE	
	Business OccupationGENERAL MANAGER	
	Other Directorships PLEASE SEE ATTACHED	
SCOPE OF AUTHORITY	The extent of the authority to represent the company is :- (give details)	
Give brief particulars of the extent of the powers exercised. (e.g. whether	TO EXERCISE ALL CORPORATE POWERS AND AUTHORITY	
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appointment; or whether they are subject to express limitations.) PROVIDED) BY LAW OR BY THE CERTIFICATE OF		
Where the powers are exercised jointly give the name(s) of the person(s) concerned. You may cross refer to the details of person(s) disclosed elsewhere	INCORPORATION OR BY THE BY LAWS	
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	# May be exercised alone	
# Mark box(es) as appropriate	OR	

Must be exercised with :-

(Give name(s) of co-authorised person(s))

Mitsui & Co. Precious Metals, Inc.

Director Information

Name	Address	Occupation	Nationality	D.O.B.	Other Directorships
R. Timotay Gardiner	30 Pryer Lane Larchmont, NY 10538, USA	President & COO Mitsui & Co. Precious Metals, Inc.	Canadian	21 Sep 61	
Minoru Ikeda	3 Nimitz Place Old Greenwich, CT 06870, USA	SVP & GM of Metals Dept. Mitsui & Co. (U.S.A.), Inc.	Japanese	4 Feb 52	Mitsui & Co. Commodities Corp. Mitalco Inc. Ginrei Inc.
F. Tetsuya Matsuoka	3-16-17, Zenpukuji, Suginami-ku, Tokyo, Japan	Director & COO, Non-Ferrous Metals Group Mitsui & Co., Ltd.	Japanese	5 Jan 45	The International Metals & Minerals Co., Ltd. Mitsui Aluminium Co., Ltd. Sky Aluminium Co., Ltd. Nippon Amazon Aluminium Co., Ltd. Ube-Bussan Magnesium Co., Ltd. Mitalco Inc. Mitsui Bussan Metals Sales Co., Ltd. Japan Alunorte Investment Co., Ltd. Itd. Hyuga Smelting Co., Ltd. Toho Titanium Co., Ltd. Mitsui Bussan Commodities Ltd.
Yoshio Morishita	335 Wimbledon Central 21-33 Worple Road London SW19 4BJ, U.K.	GM of Metals Dept. Mitsuí & Co. UK Plc	Japanese	23 Feb 50	Mitsui Bussan Commodities Ltd The International Metals and Minerals Company Ltd Mitsui Components Europe Ltd.
Satoru Ogawa	46-2-2 Matsugaya Hachioji	DGM, Commodity Trading & Ja	Japanese	16 Apr 47	Mitsui Bussan Precious Metals

(Hong Kong) Ltd	Mitsui Bussan Futures Ltd. Mitsui Bussan Precious Metals (Hong Kong) Ltd. Mitsui Bussan Commodities Ltd. Mitsui & Co. Commodities Corp.
	27 Dec 47 ·
	Japanese
Risk Management Division Mitsui & Co., Ltd.	GM, Commodity Trading & Risk Management Division Mitsui & Co., Ltd.
Tokyo, Japan	1-36-22-567 Takada Toshima-ku, Tokyo, Japan
	Kazuo Tasaka

Constitution of company (See notes 6 to 9)	# A certified copy of the instrument constituting or defining the constitution of the company
# Mark box(es) as applicable	AND * A certified translation
(See note 9)	* is / are delivered for registration
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* Delete as applicable	
AND/OR	# A copy of the latest accounts of the company
A certified copy of the constitutional documents and latest accounts of the company, together with a certified translation of them if they are not in the English language, must accompany	AND * A certified translation N/A
this form.	* is / are delivered for registration
AND/OR The company may rely on constitutional	# The Constitutional documents (* and certified translations)
and accounting documents previously filed in respect of another branch registered in the United Kingdom.	AND / OR The latest accounts (* and certified translations)
	of the company were previously delivered on the registration of the branch of the company at :-
	Cardiff Edinburgh Belfast
	Registration no.
445.65	
AND/OR The company may rely on particulars about the company previously filed in	the particulars about the company were previously delivered in respect of a branch of the company registered
respect of another branch in that part of Great Britain, provided that any alterations have been notified to the Registrar.	at THIS registry.
•	Registration no.
AND/OR The company may also rely on constitutional	The Constitutional documents (* and certified translation)
documents and particulars about the company officers previously filed in respect of a former Place of Business of that company, provided that any alterations have been notified to the Registrar.	AND / OR Particulars of the current directors and secretary(ies) N / A
NOTE :- In all cases, the registration	were previously delivered in respect of a place of business of the company registered at THIS registry.
number of the branch or place of business relied upon must be given.	company registered at 11 no registry.

PART B - BRANCH DETAILS

Persons authorised to represent the company or accept service of process

Give details of all persons who are authorised to represent the company as permanent representatives of the company in respect of the business of the branch.

Give details also of all persons resident in Great Britain, who are authorised to accept service or process on the company's behalf.

* Delete as appropriate

SCOPE OF AUTHORITY

(This part does not apply to a person only authorised to accept service on behalf of the company)

Give brief particulars of the extent of the powers exercised. (e.g. whether they are limited to powers expressly conferred by the instrument of appointment; or whether they are subject to express limitations.) Where the powers are exercised jointly give the name(s) of the person(s) concerned. You may cross refer to the details of person(s) disclosed elsewhere on the form.

Mark box(es) as appropriate

* Style / Title	MS
Forenames	ANNE PATRICIA
Surname	DENNISON
Address	70 COURT HILL
Post town	SANDERSTEAD
County / Region	SURREY Postcode CR2 9NA
Is # Authoric	sed to accept service of process on the company's behalf
* AND/	sed to dosept cervice of process on the company a bonding
Is # Authoris	sed to represent the company in relation to that business
The extent of the	authority to represent the company is :- (give details)
TO CARRY O	N THE BUSINESS OF THE BRANCH INCLUDING
BUT NOT LI	MITED TO NEGOTIATION TO ENTERING INTO
	IG CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING
1) ALL CON	ITRACTS ABOVE US\$100,000,000 SIGNED
	CHEQUES UP TO £10,000 SHALL BE
SIGNED JOI	
These powers:	- e exercised alone
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	ne exercised with :-
· <u>•</u> ······	(Give name(s) of co-authorised person(s))
JOINT AUTH	ORITY TO BE EXERCISED WITH MR ANDREW
HUXTABLE (page 7)

Persons authorised to represent the company or accept service of process

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Mark box(es) as appropriate

* Style / Title _	MR
Forenames	ANDREW
Surname	HUXTABLE
Address	25 THE HAWTHORNS
	WHITEHALL ROAD
Post town	WOODFORD GREEN
County / Regi	on ESSEX Postcode IG8 ORN
* AND/OFR Is # Auth The extent of TO CARRY INCLUDIN ENTERING THE FOLI TO BE SI TO THE These power # Mare OR # Mu JOINT	OWING 1) ALL CONTRACTS ABOVE US\$100,000,000,000. GNED JOINTLY 2) AUTHORITY TO SIGN CHEQUES VALUE OF £10,000 JOINTLY WITH MS ANNE PATRICIA DENNISON.

Address of branch (See note 11)	Address 20 OLD BAILEY
	Post town LONDON
	County / Region ENGLAND Postcode EC4M 7QQ
Branch Details (See note 12)	Day Month Year Date branch opened Day Month Year
	Business carried on at branch
	TRADING IN PRECIOUS METALS
SIGNATURE	Signed
	(* Director / Secretary / Permanent representative)
	Date /
	This form contains
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To whom should Companies House direct any enquiries about the	Name MRS SHUBHA NATH
information on this form?	Address 20 OLD BAILEY
	LONDON
	Postcode EC4M 7QQ
	Telephone 020 7822 0543 Extension (0543)

When completed, this form together with any enclosures should be delivered to the Registrar of Companies at

For branches established in England and Wales

For branches established in Scotland

Companies House Crown Way Cardiff CF14 3UZ Companies House 37 Castle Terrace Edinburgh EH1 2EB

Address of branch

(See note 11)

Address	20 OLB BAILEY	
Post town_	LONDON	
County / Re	egion ENGLAND	Postcode EC4M 7QQ

Branch Details

(See note 12)

	Day	Month	Year
Date branch opened	0 [1	1 [1	2101010
Business carried on at branc	h		
TRADING I	N PREC	IOUS	METALS
			

SIGNATURE

Signed

Date 31 OCTOBER 2000

This form contains 6 continuation sheets: (DIRECTORS & DIRECTORSHIPS)

To whom should Companies House direct any enquiries about the information on this form?

MRS SHUBHA NATH	
20 OLD BAILEY	
LONDON	
	Postcode EC4M 7QQ
020 7822 0543	Extension (0543)
	20 OLD BAILEY LONDON

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For branches established in England and Wales

For branches established in Scotland

Companies House Crown Way Cardiff CF14 3UZ Companies House 37 Castle Terrace Edinburgh EH1 2EB September 8, 2000

Ms. Maureen Baker Mitsui & Co. USA Inc. 200 Park Avenue New York, New York 10166

Re: MITSUI & CO. PRECIOUS METALS, INC.

Dear Ms. Baker:

Pursuant to instructions received, we enclose one certified copy of the Certificate of Incorporation for the above.

Thank you for this opportunity to be of service.

Very truly yours,

Lois J. Kelley

Technical Specialist

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Via: Federal Express

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New York/Stefania Rocco

Corporation Trust Center 1209 Orange Street Wilmington, DE 19801 Tel. 302 777 0210 Fax 302 655 5049

A CCH LEGAL INFORMATION SERVICES COMPANY

Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF "MITSUI & CO. PRECIOUS METALS, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF JULY, A.D. 2000, AT 3:45 O'CLOCK P.M.

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Edward I. Freel, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 0665113

DATE: 09-08-00

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF MITSUI & CO. PRECIOUS METALS, INC.

FIRST: The name of the Corporation is Mitsui & Co. Frecious Matals, Inc.

SECOND: The Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is at 1209 Orange Streat, Corporation Trust Center, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. The name of its registered agent at that address is The Corporation Trust Company.

THIRD: The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "GCL").

FOURTH: The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation is authorised to issue is Thirty Thousand (30,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share.

FIFTH: The name and mailing address of the incorporator is as follows:

Name Keith F. Ewing Mailing Address

Miteui & Co. (U.S.A.), Ind.

200 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10166-0130

SIXTH: The following provisions are inserted for the management of the business and for the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation and for the purpose of creating, defining, limiting and regulating the powers of the Corporation and its directors and stockholders.

- (a) The number of directors of the Corporation shall be fixed and may be altered from time to time in the manner provided in the By-Laws, and any vacancy or vacancies in the Board of Directors and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors may be filled, and directors may be removed, as provided in the By-Laws.
- (b) The election of directors need not be by ballot.
- (c) All corporate powers and authority of the Corporation (except at the time otherwise provided by law, by this Certificate of Incorporation or by the By-Laws) shall be under the direction of the Board of Directors.

STATE OF DELAMARE SECRETARY OF STATE DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS FILED 03:45 PM 07/11/2000 001362150 - 3250977 (d) The Board of Directors shall have the power without the assent or vote of the stockholders to adopt, amend, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Otherwise provide.

SEVENTH: The Corporation shall, to the fullest extent permitted by Section 145 of the GCL, as the same may be amended and supplemented, (1) indomnify all officers and directors of the Corporation from and against any and all expenses (including attorneys' fees), liabilities or other matters permitted by said section, and (ii) to the extent permitted by section 145(e) of the GCL, as the same may be amended and supplemented, advance to each officer and director expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by such officers and directors in defending a civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding. The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided for herein shall not be desmed exclusive of any rights of indemnification or advancement of expenses to which any officer or director may be entitled under any By-Law, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise. both as to action in their official capacities and as to action in another capacity (provided such officer or director is acting in such other capacity at the request of the Corporation) while holding such offices, and shall continue as to persons who have ceased to be officers or directors of the Corporation and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of

To the fullest extent permitted by the GCL, as the same may be amended and supplemented, no director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporator hereinabove named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware does make and file this Certificate hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly has hereunto set his name this 17th day of July, 2000.

Keith F. Eving Incorporator

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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF AN OVERSEA COMPANY

(Establishment of a branch)

Company No. FC022806

Branch No. BR005767

The Registrar of Companies for England and Wales hereby certifies that MITSUI & CO. PRECIOUS METALS, INC.

has this day been registered under Schedule 21A to the Companies Act 1985 as having established a branch in England and Wales

Given at Companies House, Cardiff, the 10th November 2000

For The Registrar Of Companies

