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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS

PRESENT: Donna-Marie E. Golia, JSC

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PREMISES PROTECTION, INC. d/b/a U.S. SECURITY SYSTEMS,

Petitioner,

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**DECISION & ORDER** 

AFRICAN CULTURAL & CATERING CENTER INC. d/b/a AFRIKA HOUSE.

Respondent.

The following electronically filed documents numbered EF1 to EF10 read on this petition to confirm an arbitration award, pursuant to Civil Practice Law and Rules ("CPLR") 7510 in the amount of \$26,745.83, together with costs, disbursements and interest from May 17, 2021, as well as legal fees in the amount of \$2,500.00:

Petition, Notice of Petition, Exhibits, and Affidavit of Service...... EF1 – EF10

Petitioner Premises Protection, Inc. d/b/a U.S. Security Systems ("petitioner") moves, pursuant to CPLR 7510, for an order confirming an arbitration award against respondent African Cultural & Catering Center Inc. d/b/a Afrika House ("respondent") in the amount of \$26,745.83, together with costs, disbursements and interest from May 17, 2021, as well as legal fees in the amount of \$2,500.00. Respondent has not appeared or submitted opposition to the petition. Upon the papers submitted, the petition is granted, as discussed more fully below.

This action was commenced by the filing of the petition on June 11, 2021. On May 17, 2021, an arbitration was held, and petitioner was awarded a sum of \$26,745.83.

In cases of mandatory arbitration, if a rational basis can be found to support the award of the arbitrator, the award will be confirmed (see, Unigard Mut. Ins. Co. v Hartford Ins. Grp., 108 AD2d 917 [2d Dept 1985]).

In this case, the arbitrator's award in favor of petitioner in the total amount of \$26,745.83 based on petitioner's evidence that respondent was liable for the alleged breach of contract provides a rational basis for the award (see, id.). Accordingly, the arbitration award is confirmed, and the Clerk of the Court is respectfully directed to enter

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judgment against respondent in the amount of \$26,745.83, together with costs, disbursements and interest from May 17, 2021, as well as legal fees in the amount of \$2,500.00 (see, CPLR 7510).

This is the Decision and Order of the Court.

Dated: September 1, 2021

Donna-Marie E. Golia, JSC

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