## **IBC Incorporation Procedure**

The formation of an IBC can be carried out by a local resident agent, such as an accountant, attorney or trust company. Formation can be achieved in as little as 24 hours and involves the following:

- 1. The resident agent must submit a request for a name approval. The name should reflect the corporate purpose of the company.
- 2. Once the request is approved, a copy of the approval is faxed to the resident agent.
- 3. The resident agent must then submit the following documents in triplicate:
  - a. Articles of Incorporation which must include the following:
    - i. the approved name of the proposed corporation;
    - ii. particulars on the registered office and resident agent;
    - iii. the authorized number of shares (at least one (1));
    - iv. the number of directors (at least one (1));
    - v. a restriction to corporate purpose clause, and
    - vi. the signatures of two incorporators one of whom must be a practicing attorney in Antigua and Barbuda.
  - b. Application for International Business Charter which must be consistent with the Articles of Incorporation.
  - c. Notice of change of registered office/agent
  - d. Notice of Directors
  - e. By-laws (optional).
- 5. A Certificate of Incorporation is issued.