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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2016 F DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

UNITED STATES OF AMERICAL TIMORE

-v- BY \_\_\_\_\_DEPUTY

CINER GEMI ACENTE ISLETNI SANAYI VE TICARET S.A

Criminal Avamber.

Criminal Number: 1:15-cr-00616-GLR

Defendant.

## Supplemental Sentencing Order Regarding Whistleblower Award

The United States has moved that \$225,000.00 of the criminal fine assessed against Ciner Gemi Acente Isletni Sanayi Ve Ticaret S.A. be paid to Mr. Leonardo C. Montinola, and \$25,000.00 be paid to Mr. Adrian L. Baui, who both provided information leading to the conviction of the Defendant pursuant to the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships, Title 33, United States Code, Section 1908(a) (APPS).

Mr. Montinola and Mr. Baui were crewmembers of the *M/V Artvin*, a marine cargo vessel operated by the defendant. According to the United States, Mr. Montinola and Mr. Baui provided information that initiated the government's investigation and provided information leading to the conviction of the Defendant. The United States has further proposed that Mr. Montinola receive \$225,000.00 as an award and Mr. Baui receive \$25,000.00.

The Court has ordered that the Defendant be fined \$900,000.00 pursuant to Count 1 and 2 of the two-count Criminal Information which charged the Defendant with two violations of APPS. The maximum statutory corporate fine per violation of APPS is \$500,000. 18 U.S.C. § 3571(c)(3). Although this Court has the authority and discretion to award Mr. Moninola or Mr. Baui up to \$450,000.00 combined, this Court finds that, based on the entire record of this case, including the government's motion, that an award of \$225,000.00 is an appropriate award for

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Mr. Montinola and \$25,000.00 to Mr. Baui, and would further the purpose of APPS by encouraging those with information about unlawful conduct in violation of the Act to come forward and disclose that information to authorities.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a total payment in the amount of \$225,000.00 be awarded to Mr. Leonard C. Montinola and \$25,000.00 be awarded to Mr. Adrian L. Baui.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk's Office deliver the payment to Special Agent Juan Torres, United States Coast Guard, who shall make arrangements for the payment to be delivered to Mr. Montinola and Mr. Baui via contacts at the United States Embassy, The Philippines.

DATED this 2 rel day of Februar 2016.

GEORGE L. RUSSELL, III U.S. District Court Judge