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1 2 3 4 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) Civil No. 08-cv-02073-JAM-KJM 11 Plaintiff, 12 FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS **GRANTING MOTION FOR DEFAULT** v. **JUDGMENT** 13 STEPHEN R. LA PERLE, STATE OF 14 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND ALICE 15 LA PERLE AKA ALICE LINN K-LOPEZ, 16 Defendants. 17 18 Upon review of the documents in support, no opposition having been filed, and good 19 cause shown THE COURT FINDS AS FOLLOWS: 20 Stephen R. La Perle was served with the Summons and Complaint in this action, and 21 proof of service was filed with the Court on December 2, 2008. Alice La Perle was served with 22 the Summons and Complaint in this action, and proof of service was filed with the Court on 23 November 20, 2008. The Clerk of Court entered default against Stephen R. La Perle and Alice 24 La Perle on December 31, 2008. The United States' Motion for Default Judgment was served by 25 mail on Defendants Stephen R. La Perle and Alice La Perle at their last known addresses. 26 Where a default is entered, the well-pled allegations in the complaint are taken as true

Where a default is entered, the well-pled allegations in the complaint are taken as true and deemed admitted by the defaulted party. See Fair Housing of Marin v. Combs, 285 F.3d 899, 906 (9th Cir. 2002); Geddes v. United Financial Group, 559 F.2d 557, 560 (9th Cir. 1977).

In the present case, the facts established by the default support the causes of action pled in the complaint, and thus, default judgment is proper. Furthermore, the declaration and evidence filed in support of the United States' Motion for Default Judgment also support the finding that the United States is entitled to the relief requested in its motion and complaint. There are no policy considerations to preclude the entry of default judgment in this case. See Eitel v. McCool, 782 F.2d 1470, 1471-72 (9th Cir. 1986) (listing factors to be considered).

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED that the United States' Motion for Default Judgment against Stephen La Perle and Alice La Perle be GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT judgment be entered in favor of the United States and against Stephen R. La Perle in the amount of \$280,566.81, plus interest and other statutory additions, as provided by law, accruing after August 6, 2009.

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT Alice La Perle be deemed to have no interest in the Subject Property, that title to the subject property is deemed to be in Stephen La Perle alone, and that judgment be entered in favor of the United States and against Alice La Perle aka Alice Linn K-Lopez.

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT the United States' federal tax liens encumbering the Subject Property be foreclosed, and the Subject Property be sold pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2001.

DATED: October 5, 2009.

U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE