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5 6	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
8 9	Accor Franchising North America, ) LLC, ) 2:12-cv-0762-GEB-CKD
10	<pre> Plaintiff, ) ORDER AUTHORIZING SERVICE OF </pre>
11 12	v. ) <u>PROCESS ON DEFENDANT ELOHIM</u> ) <u>ENT. INC. THROUGH THE</u> Elohim Ent. Inc., Gondosinaryo ) <u>CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE</u> Listyo, ) AND ON DEFENDANT GONDOSINARYO
13 14	Defendants. )
14	Plaintiff moves for an order authorizing service of process on
16	Defendant Elohim Ent. Inc. ("Elohim") through the California Secretary
17	of State and on Defendant Gondosinaryo Listyo ("Listyo") by publication
18	in the U-T San Diego.

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4 permits service of process 19 by "following state law for serving a summons . . . in the state where 20 the district court is located . . . ." California Corporations Code 21 section 1702(a) permits service by hand delivery of the summons and 22 complaint to the California Secretary of State when "it is shown by 23 affidavit . . . that process against a domestic corporation cannot be 24 served with reasonable diligence upon the designated agent . . . " In 25 addition, California Code of Civil Procedure section 415.50 permits 26 service by publication if "upon affidavit it appears . . . that the 27 party to be served cannot with reasonable diligence be served in another 28

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1 manner" and "[a] cause of action exists against the party upon whom
2 service [by publication] is [requested]."

Plaintiff has shown that it exercised reasonable diligence in attempting to locate and serve process on Listyo, who is also the agent for service of process for Elohim. Therefore, Plaintiff's request to serve Elohim through the California Secretary of State and Listyo through publication in the U-T San Diego for eight (8) successive weeks is granted; and the hearing currently scheduled for July 16, 2012 is vacated.

10 Dated: July 10, 2012

GARLAND E. BURREIL, JR. Senier United States District Judge