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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

Collectors Universe, Inc., a Delaware  
corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Roberto Rodriguez, an individual, John  
Barnardi; Does 1-10, individuals and/or entities  
whose identities are currently unknown,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C 10 0260 MEJ

**CASE MANAGEMENT  
STATEMENT OF PLAINTIFF  
COLLECTORS UNIVERSE, INC.**

**Conference Date: March 17, 2011  
Time: 10:00 a.m.  
Courtroom: B  
Trial Date: None**

In the management conference statement plaintiff Collectors Universe, Inc. submitted in connection with the last (November 18, 2010) conference, we stated that progress on the case had been halted due to pending criminal proceedings against the primary defendant, Roberto Rodriguez. That is still the situation. In addition to being the primary defendant, Mr. Rodriguez is the main witness in the case, without whose testimony additional potential parties or witnesses

1 can't be identified. The other party witness, John Bonardi, already has declined to answer  
2 deposition questions on fifth amendment grounds.

3 According to the Alameda County prosecuting attorney, Scott Ford, in a telephone  
4 discussion on March 4, a preliminary hearing still has not been held and will not be until  
5 probably the first week of April, with trial at some undetermined time thereafter. Mr. Rodriguez  
6 has "waived time", i.e., his right to a speedy trial, creating a situation in which consideration of  
7 his case is delayed so cases in which time has not been waived can be considered.

8 Unfortunately, the statement to the Court in our previous CMC statement still is  
9 accurate:

10 "Plaintiff Collectors Universe is now in a position where its best efforts to move the case  
11 forward have been stymied by this inability to obtain key testimony concerning the  
12 fraudulent coin-alteration scheme at issue in the case from the two key witnesses who, as  
13 far as we have been able to determine, are the only witnesses who can provide the facts  
14 necessary to allow the case to proceed."

15 In our last statement we proposed that, if the Court concluded another continuance of the  
16 CMC was not appropriate, the Court might consider issuing a stay of the case until criminal  
17 proceedings against defendant Rodriguez concluded. We would prefer another continuance as a  
18 more the practical solution for plaintiff, but will of course defer to the Court's decision how best  
19 to proceed.

20 Date: March 10, 2011

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24 Attorneys for Plaintiff Collectors Universe, Inc.

25 The CMC is continued to June 16, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Courtroom B.

26 Dated: March 11, 2011

