UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION, INC.,

Plaintiff,

-VS-

Case No. 8:07-cv-614-T-24 MAP

THE UNIDENTIFIED SHIPWRECKED VESSEL, its apparel, tackle, appurtenances and cargo located within center point coordinates, in rem,

Defendant.

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<u>O R D E R</u>

This cause comes before the Court on Claimant Kingdom of Spain's Amended and

Refiled Motion for Transfer. (Doc. No. 33.) Because this case involves questions of law or fact

common to those in Odyssey Marine Exploration, Inc. v. The Unidentified Shipwrecked Vessel,

Case No. 8:06-cv-1685-SDM-TBM, previously pending before the Honorable Steven D.

Merryday, the Motion to Transfer is **GRANTED**. This cause is hereby **TRANSFERRED** to

Judge Merryday, with his consent, for all further proceedings pursuant to Local Rule 1.04(b),

M.D. Fla.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tampa, Florida, this 16th day of August, 2007.

Buckley

Copies furnished to: The Honorable Steven D. Merryday Counsel of Record

SUSAN C. BUCKLEW United States District Judge