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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

SULEIMAN ABDULLAH SALIM, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

ORDER GRANTING MOTION
TO EXTEND

vs.

JAMES E. MITCHELL and JOHN
JESSEN,

Defendants.

BEFORE THE COURT is Plaintiffs' "Motion to Extend Certain Deadlines or in the Alternative to Compel" (ECF No. 136). Plaintiffs contend issues have arisen which will require either an extension of the time to complete discovery, or an order compelling the completion of the depositions prior to the February 17, 2017 deadline. The two primary issues are: 1) the depositions of Jose A. Rodriguez and John A. Rizzo which have been previously scheduled and cancelled; and 2) the deposition and IME of Plaintiff Salim who was unable to travel to Dominica for his deposition. It appears from Plaintiffs' briefs and exhibits the parties are working to reschedule the depositions and Defendants are amenable to extending the discovery deadline for those depositions to later in March.

Defendants' Response (ECF No. 139) confirms they are in agreement with an extension of time to allow for the depositions of Salim, Rodriguez, and Rizzo. The Response states Rodriguez and Rizzo are available for deposition on March 7th and 9th. It also states Defendants have agreed to conduct the medical examination and deposition

of Salim in South Africa during the time period of March 10th to 15th. 1 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: 2 1. Plaintiffs' Motion to Extend Deadlines (ECF No. 139) is **GRANTED IN** 3 **PART** as set forth herein. 4 2. The discovery deadline is hereby extended to March 20, 2017, only for the 5 purposes of completing the depositions of Jose A. Rodriguez, Jr. and John A. Rizzo, and 6 for completing the medical exam and deposition of Plaintiff Salim. 7 8 3. All other dates remain as previously set. 4. There is currently a hearing set in the related case, 16-36, for **Tuesday**, 9 February 14, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. PST. The matter at issue therein is a Motion to 10 Compel filed by Defendants herein. Counsel for Plaintiffs shall also attend the telephone 11 12 argument, and all parties shall be prepared to advise as to the status of discovery, including the scheduling of the three depositions referenced herein. 13 IT IS SO ORDERED. The Clerk shall enter this Order and furnish copies to 14 counsel. 15 Dated this 9th day of February, 2017. 16 s/ Justin L. Quackenbush 17 SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 ORDER - 2