

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

UNSEALING APPLICATION

- against -

Docket No. 15-CR-491 (ENV)

JOSEPH ASMAR,

Defendant.

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STEVEN L. TISCIONE hereby declares as follows:

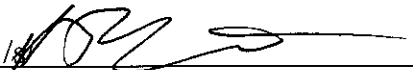
1. I am an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York. I am participating in the investigation of the above-captioned case.

2. On October 1, 2015, a grand jury in the Eastern District of New York returned an indictment in the above-captioned matter charging defendant JOSEPH ASMAR with conspiracy to launder the proceeds of narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h). On the same date, United States Magistrate Judge Robert M. Levy signed a warrant authorizing the arrest of ASMAR. The indictment and the accompanying arrest warrant were sealed.

3. JOSEPH ASMAR has subsequently been arrested in Paris, France, and is in the process of being extradited to the Eastern District of New York.

4. The government therefore respectfully requests that the indictment and arrest warrant be unsealed forthwith.

Dated: Brooklyn, New York  
November 9, 2015

  
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