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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

MF GLOBAL HOLDINGS LTD, et al.,

Debtors.

MF GLOBAL HOLDINGS LTD., as Plan Administrator; and MF GLOBAL ASSIGNED ASSETS LLC,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY LTD., et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 11-15059 (MG)

Chapter 11

Jointly Administered

Adv. Case No. 16-01251 (MG)

S.D.N.Y. Civ. Action No 1 :17-cv-00933-RWS

Related: S.D.N.Y. Civ. Action Nos 1:17-cv-00106-RWS 1:17-cv-00113-RWS 1:17-cv-00742-RWS 1:17-cv-00780-RWS 1:17-cv-00953-RWS

NOTICE OF JOINDER IN BRIEF OF ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD ON APPEALABILITY OF BARTON ORDER

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendants Iron-Starr Excess Agency Ltd., ("Iron-Starr"), Ironshore Insurance Ltd., ("Ironshore Ltd.") and Starr Insurance & Reinsurance Limited ("SIRL") (collectively, "Iron-Starr Defendants") hereby join in the position taken by Allied World Assurance Company, Ltd. ("Allied World", together with the Iron-Starr Defendants, the "Bermuda Insurers") in its Memorandum In Support Of Defendant Allied World Assurance Company, Ltd.'s Appeal As Of Right, And In The Alternative, Motion For Leave To Appeal The Bankruptcy Court's Barton Order, dated March 21, 2017 in Case No. 1:17-cv-00953-RSW, Dkt. No. 9. The Iron-Starr Defendants appeal from the same Order of the Bankruptcy Court as Allied World. See Case No. 1:17-cv-00933-RSW, Dkt. No. 1 and Case No. 1:17-cv-00953-RSW, Dkt. No. 1. The Iron-Starr Defendants filed a Notice of Appeal on February 6, 2017 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 158(a)(1) and on February 21, 2017 filed their Statement of Issues (Dkt. No. 4) and Designation of the Record (Dkt. No. 5). Pursuant to the Stipulation and Order dated March 9, 2017, the parties agreed to abided by the so ordered schedule in briefing the issue of appealability, specifically, whether the Bermuda Insurers' appeals are as of right or, alternatively, whether the District Court should grant them leave to appeal. See Case No. 1:17-cv-00933-RSW, Dkt. No. 8 and Case No. 1:17-cv-00953-RSW, Dkt. No. 8.

The Iron-Starr Defendants incorporate by reference the arguments and legal authorities set forth in Allied World's brief on the appealability of the Barton Order. <u>See</u> Case No. 1:17-cv-00953-RSW, Dkt. No. 9. The Iron-Starr Defendants further join in Allied World's request for relief and respectfully request that this Court maintain their appeal of the Barton Order as of right under 28 U.S.C. § 158(a)(1) or, in the alternative, grant leave to appeal the Barton Order under § 158(a)(3). Dated: New York, New York March 21, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Maryann Taylor, certify that on March 21, 2017, I caused the foregoing Notice of Joinder in Brief of Allied World Assurance Company, Ltd. on Appealability of Barton Order to be filed with the Clerk of the Court and served upon all counsel of record via the Court's CM/ECF system.

> <u>/s/ Maryann Taylor</u> Maryann Taylor