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2 10:50 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: We now move to
4 our Show Cause Status Hearing.

5 The first case on our Show Cause
6 Status Hearing calendar is case number
7 21-CMP-00046, Seven Seas Restaurant, license
8 number 654.

9 Ms. Fashbaugh, can you please elevate
10 the rights of the government and the Licensee in
11 this case, please.

12 MS. FASHBAUGH: Antoine Williams
13 rights have been elevated.

14 Christina Okura, your rights have been
15 elevated.

16 That is all, Chairperson.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Is that it, Ms.
18 -- I can hardly hear you, but are those all the
19 parties, Ms. Fashbaugh?

20 MS. FASHBAUGH: I apologize. I see
21 everyone except for Pofung Liu-psui, but
22 Christina Okura, the Applicant's attorney, has
23 been elevated.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Sure, I see
25 that. All right, thank you.

1 Ms. Okura, if you have a camera, can
2 you please turn your camera on, please.

3 MS. OKURA: Yes.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, good
5 morning --

6 (Simultaneous speaking.)

7 MS. OKURA: Good morning.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I'm sorry --
9 Is your client joining you this morning, ma'am?

10 MS. OKURA: No, I'm representing Ms.
11 Liu. I'm the only participant in this hearing.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay, fine.
13 That's fine.

14 All right, good morning. Let's start
15 with the parties identifying themselves, let's
16 start with the government, please?

17 MR. WILLIAMS: Good morning,
18 Chairperson Donovan Anderson, this is Tony
19 Antoine Williams, the Office of the Attorney
20 General, representing the district this morning.

21 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
22 Mr. Williams.

23 Ms. Okura, can you please spell and
24 state your name for the record, and your
25 relationship?

1 MS. OKURA: Good morning. This is
2 Christina Okura, I'm the attorney for the
3 Licensee, Ms. Pofung Liu-psui.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Can you please
5 spell your name and also the Licensee, please,
6 ma'am?

7 MS. OKURA: Okay. My first name is
8 Christina, C-H-R-I-S-T-I-N-A, last name is Okura,
9 O-K-U-R-A.

10 The Licensee name is Ms. Pofung Liu-
11 psui, her first name spells P-O-F-U-N-G, last
12 name spell as L-I-U - P-S-U-I.

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right,
14 thank you, Ms. Okura.

15 This room is a hearing, we have a
16 court reporter so we want to make sure that all
17 the names are properly spelled in the transcript,
18 so thank you.

19 So, Mr. Williams, are there any
20 preliminary matters in this case, sir?

21 MR. WILLIAMS: No -- well actually
22 yes, Chairperson. I want to make sure, there was
23 an OIC offer sent to the Heist group based on
24 their charge --

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: No, this is

1 Seven Seas Restaurant.

2 MR. WILLIAMS: Seven Seas Restaurant?

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Yes, this is
4 this case, Seven Seas Restaurant.

5 MR. WILLIAMS: Okay.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: That's the case
7 we're on.

8 MR. WILLIAMS: My apologies. Yes,
9 okay.

10 Ms. Okura, the district has sent an
11 OIC to you, an Offer in Compromise to you, did
12 you receive that?

13 MS. OKURA: Yes, I be in touch with
14 Mr. Sensei(Phonetic.), assistant attorney from
15 Office of Attorney General, I have discussed the
16 Offer in Compromise and my client accepts this
17 offer.

18 And willing to pay the fine that was
19 related to this, charge one and charge two.

20 MR. WILLIAMS: Okay, yeah. So I just
21 wanted to confirm that, Mr. Chairperson.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, so
23 what is the Offer in Compromise, then?

24 MR. WILLIAMS: What the district has
25 offered is, for charge one, no ABC manager on

1 duty, under DC Code 25-701 is a fine of \$1,000.

2 Payable within 120 days or the
3 establishment's license shall be suspended
4 indefinitely until the fine is paid.

5 For charge two, the purchase of
6 alcohol inventory from a Class A or B retailer,
7 under DC Code 25-113(a)(5)(A) the fine is \$2,000.

8 Payable within 120 days or the
9 Licensee shall be suspended indefinitely until
10 the fine is paid.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: That's the
12 extent of the Offer in Compromise, Mr. Williams?

13 MR. WILLIAMS: That is correct.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Okura, I
15 know that you stated that but I need now for the
16 record, it's my understanding that there is an
17 Offer in Compromise.

18 And for charge one, there is a fine of
19 \$1,000 payable within 120 days, if the fine is
20 not paid within 120 days the license will be
21 suspend until the fine has been paid.

22 For charge two, there is a fine of
23 \$2,000 payable within 120 days, if the fine is
24 not paid within 120 days the license will be
25 suspended until the fine has been paid.

1 So is it my understanding that your --
2 so that's the Offer in Compromise, is your client
3 in acceptance of the Offer in Compromise?

4 MS. OKURA: Yes.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, is
6 your client aware that by accepting an Offer in
7 Compromise that they've given up a right to a
8 hearing?

9 MS. OKURA: Yes.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Is your client
11 also aware that by accepting a Offer in
12 Compromise that they've given up their right to
13 appeal this matter?

14 MS. OKURA: Yes.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

16 With that said, I make a motion that
17 the Offer in Compromise for Charge one, a fine of
18 \$1,000 payable with 120 days be accepted, if the
19 fine is not paid within 120 days their license
20 will be suspended until the fine has been paid.

21 For Charge -- I'm sorry -- I
22 apologize, Mr. Williams, how many charges are in
23 this case?

24 MR. WILLIAMS: There are only two
25 charges, Chairperson.

1 Charge One is no ABC manager on duty,
2 Charge Two is the purchase of alcohol inventory
3 from a Class A and B retailers.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, I
5 apologize.

6 And so, for Charge two, a fine of
7 \$2,000 paid within 120 days or the license will
8 be suspended.

9 Is there a second?

10 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis will
11 second.

12 (Simultaneous speaking.)

13 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short --

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I'm sorry, who
15 second the motion?

16 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short.

17 (Simultaneous speaking.)

18 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis.

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, Mr.
20 Grandis and Mr. Short has second the motion,
21 we'll now have a roll call vote on the motion.

22 Mr. Short?

23 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

25 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett?

2 MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett, I

3 agree.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

5 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr.

7 Grandis?

8 MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis, I

9 agree.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr.

11 Anderson, I agree.

12 The matter pass six-zero-zero.

13 I want to thank you, Ms. Okura, and I
14 thank you, Mr. Williams for this Offer in
15 Compromise.

16 So 120 days from today, so have a good
17 day, thank you very much.

18 MS. OKURA: Thank you so much.

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

20 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
21 went off the record at 10:57 a.m.)

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