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NOTICE OF COURT PROCEEDINGS

Re: United States v. Francisco Illarramendi

Case Number 2011R00081 Court Docket Number: 11CR41(SRU)

In March 2011, Francisco Illarramendi, a former hedge fund manager operating out of offices in Stamford, Connecticut, waived his right to be indicted and pled guilty to a five-count information charging him with wire fraud, securities fraud, investment adviser fraud and conspiracy to obstruct justice. The charges relate to a scheme perpetrated by Illarramendi over the course of years in which he regularly made materially false representations to, among others, investors in the hedge funds in an effort to conceal losses the funds had incurred and to fill an ever-expanding hole in the assets of the funds. Illarramendi accomplished his fraud through several vehicles, including management companies based in Stamford and various shell companies he controlled.

Victims of all crimes under federal investigation are entitled to services under the Victims' Rights and Restitution Act, including notification of court events. For further details, please refer to Title 42 United States Code section 10607 or the brochure posted at www.notify.usdoj.gov.

Now that charges have been filed in federal court, victims of the charges filed are, in addition, entitled to the following rights, according to the Crime Victims' Rights Act, Title 18 United States Code section 3771: (1) The right to be reasonably protected from the accused; (2) The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of any public court proceeding, or any parole proceeding, involving the crime or of any release or escape of the accused; (3) The right not to be excluded from any such public court proceeding, unless the court, after receiving clear and convincing evidence, determines that testimony by the victim would be materially altered if the victim heard other testimony at that proceeding; (4) The right to be reasonably heard at any public proceeding in the district court involving release, plea, sentencing, or any parole proceeding; (5) The reasonable right to

confer with the attorney for the Government in the case; (6) The right to full and timely restitution as provided in law; (7) The right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay; and (8) The right to be treated with fairness and with respect for the victim's dignity and privacy.

Please understand that these rights apply only to victims of the counts charged in federal court, and thus you may not be able to exercise all of these rights if the crime of which you are a victim was not charged. In any event, we will continue to provide you with notifications and services unless you tell us not to. We will make our best efforts to ensure you are provided the rights and services to which you are entitled. It is important to keep in mind that the defendant(s) are presumed innocent until proven guilty and that presumption requires both the Court and our office to take certain steps to ensure that justice is served. While our office cannot act as your attorney or provide you with legal advice, you can seek the advice of an attorney with respect to the rights above or other related legal matters

On November 20, 2012, the Honorable Stefan R. Underhill, United States District Court Judge, District of Connecticut, scheduled a hearing on the pending motion for Illarramendi's defense counsel to withdraw from representing him in the case. The hearing is scheduled for November 21, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. at the federal courthouse, which is located at 915 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

In addition, Illarramendi is currently scheduled to be sentenced on December 20, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. before the Honorable Stefan R. Underhill, United States District Court Judge, 915 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, Connecticut. This date is subject to being changed, so the U.S. Attorney's Office suggests that persons intending to attend the hearing check the website again as the date approaches.

If you would like to know more about this fraud please visit our website at: http://www.justice.gov/usao/ct/victim_witness.html. You are also welcome to download a Victim Impact Statement from the website and send it to the address listed below. We would like to hear how this case has affected you. The Victim Impact Statement can be sent back to our office by mail or email to:

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