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21	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	No. C 98-0088 CRB
22	Plaintiff,	DEFENDANTS' SEPARATE STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS IN
23	v.	SUPPORT OF MOTION TO DISSOLVE AND IN OPPOSITION TO
24	OAKLAND CANNABIS BUYERS' COOPERATIVE and JEFFREY JONES,	THE GOVERNMENT'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND
25	Defendants.	PERMANENT INJUNCTIVE RELIEF
26		Date: March 22, 2002 Time: 10:00 a.m.
27 AND RELATED ACTIONS. Honora		Honorable Charles R. Breyer

1	Defendants Oakland Cannabis Buyer's Cooperative and Jeffrey Jones (collectively "OCBC")
2	hereby object to the declarations of Mark T. Quinlivan and Special Agents Brian Nehring, Carolyn
3	Porras, Deborah Muusers, Mark Nelson, and Bill Nyfeler submitted on January 8, 1998 in support of
4	Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment and Preliminary Injunctive Relief and relied upon by the
5	government in support of its Motion for Summary Judgment and Permanent Injunctive Relief. To the
6	extent the government intends to rely upon its evidence submitted in connection with the Order to
7	Show Cause, Defendants request that the Court take judicial notice of Defendants' Objections and
8	Motion to Strike the Declarations of Mark Quinlivan, Bill Nyfeler, Dean Arnold and Peter Ott filed
9	August 14, 1998.
10	As the objections in defendants' accompanying memorandum make clear, the declarations
11	submitted by the Government in support of their motion for a preliminary injunction should be
12	excluded. This separate statement is submitted by OCBC in order to delineate the specific objections
13	to each individual declaration. Defendants hereby incorporate by reference any and all objections
14	made in their memorandum.
15	GENERAL OBJECTIONS
16	Declaration of Mark T. Quinlivan
17	The declaration of Mark T. Quinlivan and the accompanying exhibits are insufficient to
18	establish a violation of the CSA. This declaration is merely a compilation of brochures, newsletters,
19	and web site excerpts that do not cite any specific instance of an alleged violation of the CSA. At
20	most, these exhibits are alleged admissions of intent to do an act, which of course, is not evidence of
21	any act itself. See Mitchell v. Sharon, 59 F. 980, 983 (1894) ("Words which merely impute a
22	criminal intention, not yet put into action, are not actionable. Guilty thoughts are not a crime.")
23	Furthermore, this declaration contains hearsay and is not based upon personal knowledge. Fed. R.
24	Evid. 602, 801, 802. The three exhibits to the declaration were not properly authenticated. Fed. R.
25	Evid. 901. Accordingly, the Court should not rely upon the declarations and the accompanying
26	exhibits as evidence of OCBC's alleged violation of the CSA.
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3	The declarations of Special Agents Brian Nehring, Carolyn Porras, Deborah Muusers, Mark
4	Nelson, and Bill Nyfeler ² are also generally deficient. These declarations detail the results of the
5	government's fraudulent conduct that resulted in the illegal entrapment of defendants. Entrapment
	requires government inducement to commit the crime and the absence of predisposition by the
6	defendant. See Jacobson v. United States, 503 U.S. 540, 549 (1992); United States v. Thickstun, 110
7	F.3d 1394, 1396 (9th Cir. 1997). Defendants were not predisposed to providing cannabis to persons
8	without the proper authorization. Defendants would never have supplied the undercover DEA agents
9	with medical cannabis had they not procured a valid card authorizing medical use using phony
10	doctor's recommendations. In addition, Defendants' mistake of law should lead the Court to exclude
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12	the evidence in these declarations. A defendant can claim a mistake of law defense where he or she
13	in good faith relied upon a statute or judicial decision. See Cheek v. United States, 498 U.S. 192,
14	206-07 (1991) (holding that a mistake of law defense encompasses a reasonable or a subjective good
15	faith reliance upon the law); People v. Marrero, 69 N.Y.2d 382, 390 (1987) ("[M]istake of law is a
16	viable exemption in those instances where an individual demonstrates an effort to learn what the law
17	is, relies upon that law, and, later, it is determined that there is a mistake in the law itself.") (emphasis
18	in original). Here, Defendants relied in good faith upon valid credentials that permitted a legal
19	distribution of cannabis under California law at the time. Defendants have a viable mistake of law
20	defense. Accordingly, all evidence of these undercover investigations contained in the submitted
21	declarations should be excluded as unfairly prejudicial to defendants under Federal Rule of Evidence
22	403.
23	In addition, these declarations are vague, ambiguous, and conclusory. Fed. R. Evid. 602, 701,
24	702; see Lujan v. National Wildlife Fed'n, 497 U.S. 871, 889 (1990) (conclusory, non-specific
25	statements in affidavits insufficient); Hansen v. United States, 7 F.3d 137, 138 (9th Cir. 1993)
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1	(conclusory, self-serving affidavit lacking detailed facts insufficient). The declarant fails to identify
2	the individuals involved in the alleged distribution of cannabis.
3	SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS
4	Declaration of Mark T. Quinlivan
5	Defendants object specifically to the following paragraphs of, and exhibits to, the Declaration
6	of Mark T. Quinlivan:
7	Paragraph 2 and Exhibit 1. Defendants object to the web page on the grounds that it is
8	vague, conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the
9	purported contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants further object to these exhibits as irrelevant, as a
10	statement of intent is not evidence the defendants have in fact violated the CSA. Fed. R. Evid. 401,
11	402. Furthermore, defendants object that the exhibit was not properly authenticated. Fed. R. Evid.
12	901. A lack of proper authentication under Rule 901 of the Federal Rules of Evidence precludes the
13	government from excluding the statements contained in the web site from the hearsay rule as an
14	admission by party opponent, as the declarant cannot be properly identified as an agent of the OCBC.
15	Fed. R. Evid. 802(d)(2).
16	Paragraph 3 and Exhibit 2. Defendants object to the brochure on the grounds that it is
17	vague, conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the
18	purported contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants further object to these exhibits as irrelevant, as a
19	statement of intent is not evidence the Defendants have in fact violated the CSA. Fed. R. Evid. 401,
20	402. Defendants further object to these exhibits on the ground that they are irrelevant and
21	speculative. Fed. R. Evid. 401, 402. Furthermore, Defendants object that the exhibit was not
22	properly authenticated. Fed. R. Evid. 901. A lack of proper authentication under Rule 901 of the
23	Federal Rules of Evidence precludes the government from excluding the statements contained in the
24	brochure from the hearsay rule as an admission by party opponent, as the declarant cannot be
25	properly identified as an agent of the OCBC. Fed. R. Evid. 802(d)(2).
26	Paragraph 4 and Exhibit 3. Defendants object to the newsletter on the grounds that it is
27	vague, conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the
28	purported contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants further object to these exhibits as irrelevant, as a
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1	statement of intent is not evidence the Defendants have in fact violated the CSA. Fed. R. Evid. 401,
2	402. Defendants further object to these exhibits on the ground that they are irrelevant and
3	speculative. Fed. R. Evid. 401, 402. Furthermore, Defendants object that the exhibit was not
4	properly authenticated. Fed. R. Evid. 901. A lack of proper authentication under Rule 901 of the
5	Federal Rules of Evidence precludes the government from excluding the statements contained in the
6	web site from the hearsay rule as an admission by party opponent, as the declarant cannot be properly
7	identified as an agent of the OCBC. Fed. R. Evid. 802(d)(2).
8	Declaration of Special Agent Brian Nehring
9	Defendants object specifically to the following paragraphs of the Declaration of Special
10	Agent Brian Nehring:
11	Paragraph 4. Defendants object to paragraph 4, lines 14-18, on the grounds that the
12	testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of
13	any purported distribution of cannabis. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object to this testimony on the
14	ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to
15	whether OCBC was in fact "a marijuana distribution business." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants
16	further object to this declaration on the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and
17	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the "one-eighth ounce of marijuana with the brand
18	name 'Northern Lights'" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the
19	reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana "using an undercover name, identification, and a
20	phony physician statement" as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment
21	that would be unfairly prejudicial to Defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
22	Paragraph 6. Defendants object to paragraph 6, lines 1-7, on the grounds that it is vague,
23	ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
24	Paragraph 7. Defendants object to paragraph 7, lines 8-10, on the grounds that it is vague,
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28	also object to the statement that the "presence of two small children" is unfairly prejudicial with little

- to no probative value, making the statement irrelevant. Fed. R. Evid. 403. Defendants further object 1 to the statement that the children were in the company of an adult "who appeared to be working for 2 the OCBC" as irrelevant and speculative. Fed. R. Evid. 401, 402. This statement is unfairly 3 prejudicial. Fed. R. Evid. 403. The statement was also made without personal knowledge of the 4 employment status of said person at OCBC. Fed. R. Evid. 602. 5 Paragraph 9. Defendants object to paragraph 9, lines 17-19, on the grounds that they 6 constitute hearsay to the extent that they rely upon the statements of an unidentified individual named 7 "Jim" that the forms submitted were acceptable for the truth of the matter asserted. Fed. R. Evid. 8 801, 802. Failure to positively identify "Jim" as an agent and/or employee of the OCBC precludes 9 the government from invoking the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that "Jim's" 10 statements are non-hearsay. Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, Defendants object to these 11 hearsay statements on the grounds that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of the 12. hearsay rule, which is to prevent the admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth and 13 veracity of the witness cannot be ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S. Dist. 14 Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact, and 15 the frauds which might be practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay 16 evidence is totally inadmissible."). 17 Paragraph 10. Defendants object to paragraph 10, lines 5-9, on the grounds that it is vague, 18 conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the purported 19 contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion testimony and 20 impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "numerous samples of marijuana," the 21 "smell of burning marijuana," the "two large growing marijuana plants under lights," and/or the 22 "several large marijuana plants growing in a Mylar-lined display case" were in fact marijuana. Fed. 23 R. Evid. 701, 702. 24 Paragraph 11. Defendants object to paragraph 11, lines 10-15, on the grounds that the 25 testimony is vague, conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of 26
 - testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "seven kinds of marijuana Defs' Separate Statement of Obj'ns in Supp. of Mot. to Dissolve and in Opp. to the

the purported contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion

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displayed" and/or the alleged "Mexican-grown marijuana" were in fact marijuana or were in fact 1 grown in Mexico. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object on the grounds that the testimony 2 constitutes inadmissible hearsay to the extent that it relies upon the statement of an unidentified 3 individual named "Jim." Any statement by "Jim" that Special Agent Nehring could purchase 4 marijuana is inadmissible for the truth of the matter asserted. Fed. R. Evid. 801, 802. Failure to 5 positively identify "Jim" as an agent and/or employee of the OCBC precludes the government from 6 invoking the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that "Jim's" statements are non-hearsay. 7 Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, Defendants object to these hearsay statements on the grounds 8 that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of the hearsay rule, which is to prevent the 9 admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth and veracity of the witness cannot be 10 ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S. Dist. Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic 11 weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact, and the frauds which might be 12 practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay evidence is totally inadmissible."). 13 Paragraph 12. Defendants object to paragraph 12, lines 16-17, on the grounds that the 14 testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether 15 the alleged "marijuana with the 'brand name of 'Northern Lights'" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. 16 Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana a card 17 obtained using a phony physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and 18 entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403. 19 Paragraph 13. Defendants object to paragraph 13, lines 19-20, on the grounds that the 20 testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether 21 the "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. 22 Paragraph 14. Defendants object to paragraph 14, line 21, on the grounds that the testimony 23 constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the "bag of 24 suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the 25 reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana a card obtained using a phony physician statement as 26

impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial

to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.

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1	Paragraph 15. Defendants object to paragraph 14, line 21, on the grounds that the testimony
2	constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the
3	"distribution of marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
4	Declaration of Special Agent Carolyn Porras
5	Defendants object specifically to the following paragraphs of the Declaration of Special
6	Agent Carolyn Porras:
7	Paragraph 4. Defendants object to paragraph 4, lines 14-18, on the grounds that the
8	testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of
9	any purported distribution of marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object to this testimony on
0	the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to
l 1	whether OCBC was in fact "a marijuana distribution business." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants
12	further object to this declaration on the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and
13	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "one-eighth ounce of marijuana" was in
14	fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of
15	marijuana "using the OCBC membership card that had been previously issued to Special Agent
16	Nehring" as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be
17	unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
18	Paragraph 9. Defendants object to paragraph 9, lines 16-23, on the grounds that the
19	testimony constitutes inadmissible hearsay to the extent that it relies upon the statement of an
20	unidentified individual named called "UF1." Any alleged statement by "UF1" that Special Agent
21	Porras could purchase cannabis is inadmissible for the truth of the matter asserted. Fed. R. Evid. 801
22	802. Failure to positively identify "UF1" as an agent and/or employee of the OCBC precludes the
23	government from invoking the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that "UF1's" statements
24	are non-hearsay. Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, Defendants object to these hearsay
25	statements on the grounds that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of the hearsay
26	rule, which is to prevent the admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth and veracity
27	of the witness cannot be ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S. Dist. =Col.
28	1813) ("Its intrinsic weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact, and the

	frauds which might be practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay evidence is
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2	totally inadmissible.").
3	Paragraph 10. Defendants further object to this paragraph on the ground that it constitutes
4	improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "burning
5	smell of marijuana " and/or the "fifteen marijuana plants being grown" were in fact marijuana. Fed.
6	R. Evid. 701, 702.
7	Paragraph 11. Defendants object to paragraph 11, lines 3-7, on the grounds that the
8	testimony constitutes inadmissible hearsay to the extent that it relies upon the statement of an
9	unidentified individual named called "UF1." Any alleged statement by "UF1" offering to sell
10	cannabis to Special Agent Porras is inadmissible for the truth of the matter asserted. Fed. R. Evid.
11	801, 802. Failure to positively identify "UF1" as an agent and/or employee of the OCBC precludes
12	the government from invoking the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that "UF1's"
13	statements are non-hearsay. Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, Defendants object to these
14	hearsay statements on the grounds that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of the
15	hearsay rule, which is to prevent the admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth and
16	veracity of the witness cannot be ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S. Dist.
17	Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact, and
18	the frauds which might be practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay
19	evidence is totally inadmissible.").
20	Paragraph 12. Defendants object to paragraph 12, lines 16-17, on the grounds that the
21	testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether
22	the alleged "marijuana with the 'brand name of 'Northern Lights'" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R.
23	Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana a card
24	obtained using a phony physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and
25	entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
26	Paragraph 13. Defendants object to paragraph 13, lines 10-11, on the grounds that the
27	testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of
28	that it
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1	constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the 5-10
2	other people standing in line were in fact "customers." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants further
3	object to this paragraph on the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and
4	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R.
5	Evid. 701, 702.
6	Paragraph 14. Defendants object to paragraph 14, lines 13-14, on the grounds that the
7	testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether
8	the alleged "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
9	Paragraph 15. Defendants object to paragraph 15, line 15, on the grounds that the testimony
10	constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged
11	"bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
12	Paragraph 16. Defendants object to paragraph 16, lines 19-20, on the grounds that the
13	testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether
14	the alleged "distribution of marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
15	Declaration of Special Agent Deborah Muusers
16	Defendants object specifically to the following paragraphs of the Declaration of Special
17	Agent Deborah Muusers:
18	Paragraph 4. Defendants object to paragraph 4, lines 14-18, on the grounds that the
19	testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of
20	any purported distribution of marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object to this testimony on
21	the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to
22	whether OCBC was in fact "a marijuana distribution business." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants
23	further object to this declaration on the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and
24	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "one-eighth ounce of marijuana with the
25	brand name 'That's Purdy'" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the
26	reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana "using an undercover name, identification, and a
27	phony physician statement" as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment
28	that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.

1	Paragraph 6. Defendants object to paragraph 6, lines 1-8, on the grounds that it is vague,
2	ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
3	Paragraph 7. Defendants object to paragraph 7, lines 9-17, on the grounds that it is vague,
4	ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
5	Paragraph 9. Defendants object to paragraph 9, lines 1-4, on the grounds that they constitute
6	hearsay to the extent that they rely upon the statements of others. Fed. R. Evid. 801, 802. Any
7	alleged admission by a party-opponent contained therein is inadmissible as a result of first-level
8	hearsay. Fed. R. Evid. 801, 802.
9	Paragraph 10. Defendants object to paragraph 10, lines 5-18, on the grounds that it is vague,
10	conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the purported
11	contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion testimony and
12	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "20-25 6"-8" inch marijuana plants," the
13	alleged "5-6 larger plants," the alleged "food items that purported to contain marijuana," the "what
14	was purported to be [sic] marijuana," and/or the alleged "smell of burning marijuana" were in fact
15	marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion testimony and
16	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "drug paraphernalia, including pipes" was
17	in fact drug paraphernalia. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object on the grounds that the
18	testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of
19	any "customers." Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants further object to this paragraph on the ground that it
20	constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the 5-6
21	other people standing in line were in fact "customers waiting in line to purchase marijuana." Fed. R.
22	Evid. 701, 702.
23	Paragraph 11. Defendants object to paragraph 11, lines 19-23, on the grounds that the
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25	unidentified individual named called "UM1." Any alleged nonverbal conduct by "UM1" that Special
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1	"UF1's" statements are non-hearsay. Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, Defendants object to
2	these hearsay statements on the grounds that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of
3	the hearsay rule, which is to prevent the admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth
4	and veracity of the witness cannot be ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S.
5	Dist. Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact,
6	and the frauds which might be practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay
7	evidence is totally inadmissible."). Defendants further object to the reference to the alleged purchase
8	of marijuana using a card obtained in reliance upon a phony physician statement as impermissible
9	evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants.
10	Fed. R. Evid. 403.
11	Paragraph 12. Defendants object to paragraph 12, lines 25-26, on the grounds that the
12	testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether
13	the alleged "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
14	Paragraph 13. Defendants object to paragraph 13, line 1, on the grounds that the testimony
15	constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged
16	"undercover purchase of marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants
17	object to the reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana using a card obtained using a phony
18	physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would
19	be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
20	Paragraph 15. Defendants object to paragraph 13, line 1, on the grounds that the testimony
21	constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged
22	"bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to
23	the reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana a card obtained using a phony physician statement
24	as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly
25	prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
26	Paragraph 16. Defendants object to paragraph 16, line 9, on the grounds that the testimony

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constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged

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1	Declaration of Special Agent Mark Nelson
2	Defendants object specifically to the following paragraphs of the Declaration of Special
3	Agent Mark Nelson:
4	Paragraph 4. Defendants object to paragraph 4, lines 14-21, on the grounds that it is vague,
5	conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the identity of the
6	individual and whether or not that person was an employee of the OCBC. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
7	Declaration of Special Agent Bill Nyfeler
8	Defendants object specifically to the following paragraphs of the Declaration of Special
9	Agent Bill Nyfeler:
10	Paragraph 4. Defendants object to paragraph 4, lines 14-18, on the grounds that the
11	testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of
12	any purported distribution of marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object to this testimony on
13	the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to
14	whether OCBC was in fact "a marijuana distribution business." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants
15	further object to this declaration on the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and
16	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "Mexican-grown marijuana" was in fact
17	marijuana or was in fact grown in Mexico. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the
18	reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana using an undercover name, identification, and a phony
19	physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would
20	be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
21	Paragraph 6. Defendants object to paragraph 6, lines 23-26, on the grounds that it is vague,
22	ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object on the grounds that the
23	testimony constitutes inadmissible hearsay to the extent that it relies upon the nonverbal assertive
24	conduct of an unidentified adult male security guard. Any nonverbal conduct intended as an
25	assertion by this unidentified male that Special Agent Nyfeler could enter the OCBC without
26	identification is inadmissible for the truth of the matter asserted. Fed. R. Evid. 801, 802. Failure to
27	positively identify this unidentified male as an agent and/or employee of the OCBC precludes the
28	government from invoking the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that the security guard's

1	statements are non-hearsay. Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, Defendants object to these
2	hearsay statements on the grounds that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of the
3	hearsay rule, which is to prevent the admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth and
4	veracity of the witness cannot be ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S. Dist.
5	Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact, and
6	the frauds which might be practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay
7	evidence is totally inadmissible.").
8	Paragraph 7. Defendants object to paragraph 7, lines 1-6, on the grounds that it is vague,
9	ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
10	Paragraph 8. Defendants object to paragraph 8, lines 7-11 on the grounds that it is vague,
11	conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the purported
12	contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion testimony and
13	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "fifty marijuana plants," the "plants," the
14	alleged "marijuana plants," and/or the alleged "marijuana" were in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701,
15	702. Defendants object on the grounds that the testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation
16	as this declarant has no personal knowledge of any "customers." Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants
17	further object to this paragraph on the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and
18	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the 5-6 other people standing in line were in fact
19	walking "to the sales counter to purchase marijuana." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
20	Paragraph 10. Defendants object to paragraph 10, lines 16-17, to the extent that the
21	testimony implies the purchase of marijuana using a card obtained in reliance upon a phony
22	physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would
23	be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
24	Paragraph 11. Defendants object to paragraph 11, lines 19-20, on the grounds that the
25	testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether
26	the alleged "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.

Paragraph 12. Defendants object to paragraph 12, line 21, on the grounds that the testimony 1 constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged 2 "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. 3 Paragraph 13. Defendants object to paragraph 13, lines 24-25, on the grounds that the 4 testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether 5 the alleged "undercover purchase of marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. 6 Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana using a card obtained in 7 reliance upon a phony physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and 8 entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403. 9 Paragraph 14. Defendants object to paragraph 14, lines 3-5, on the grounds that the 10 testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether 11 the alleged "undercover purchase of marijuana" and/or the alleged "distribution of marijuana" was in 12 fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of 13 marijuana using a card obtained in reliance upon a phony physician statement as impermissible 14 evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. 15 Fed. R. Evid. 403. 16 Paragraph 15. Defendants object to paragraph 15, lines 6-9, on the grounds that the 17 testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of 18 any purported distribution of marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object to this testimony on 19 the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to 20 whether the alleged "'AA' Mexican-grown marijuana" was in fact marijuana or was in fact grown in 21 Mexico. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants further object to this declaration on the ground that it 22 constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged 23 "Mexican-grown marijuana" was in fact marijuana or was in fact grown in Mexico. Fed. R. 24 Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of marijuana using an 25

undercover name, identification, and a phony physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally

obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.

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1	Paragraph 17. Defendants object to paragraph 17, lines 23-26, on the grounds that it is
2	vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
3	Paragraph 18. Defendants object to paragraph 18, lines 25-8, on the grounds that it is vague,
4	ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
5	Paragraph 19. Defendants object to paragraph 19, lines 9-15 on the grounds that is vague,
6	conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the purported
7	contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion testimony and
8	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "approximately 10 growing marijuana
9	plants" were in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object on the grounds that the
10	testimony constitutes inadmissible hearsay to the extent that it relies upon the statement of an
11	unidentified individual named called "UM2." Any alleged statement by "UM2" that Special Agent
12	Nyfeler could purchase and/or smoke cannabis is inadmissible for the truth of the matter asserted.
13	Fed. R. Evid. 801, 802. Failure to positively identify "UM2" as an agent and/or employee of the
14	OCBC precludes the government from invoking the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that
15	"UM2's" statements are non-hearsay. Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, Defendants object to
16	these hearsay statements on the grounds that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of
17	the hearsay rule, which is to prevent the admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth
18	and veracity of the witness cannot be ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S.
19	Dist. Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact,
20	and the frauds which might be practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay
21	evidence is totally inadmissible.").
22	Paragraph 20. Defendants object to paragraph 20, lines 16-22, on the grounds that is vague,
23	conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the purported
24	contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion testimony and
25	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "Mexican-grown marijuana" and/or the
26	"marijuana" were in fact marijuana or were in fact grown in Mexico. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
27	Defendants object on the grounds that the testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as
28	this declarant has no personal knowledge of any "customers." Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants further
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1	object to this paragraph on the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and
2	impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the 8-10 other people standing in line were in fact
3	walking "to the sales counter to purchase marijuana." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object on
4	the grounds that the testimony constitutes inadmissible hearsay to the extent that it relies upon the
5	alleged statement of an unidentified individual named called "UM2." Any alleged statement and/or
6	nonverbal conduct intended as an assertion by "UM2" that Special Agent Nyfeler could purchase
7	and/or smoke cannabis is inadmissible for the truth of the matter asserted. Fed. R. Evid. 801, 802.
8	Failure to positively identify "UM2" as an agent and/or employee of the OCBC precludes the
9	government from invoking the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that "UM2's" statements
10	are non-hearsay. Fed. R. Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, defendants object to these hearsay statements
11	and nonverbal assertions on the grounds that admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of
12	the hearsay rule, which is to prevent the admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth
13	and veracity of the witness cannot be ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S.
14	Dist. Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact,
15	and the frauds which might be practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay
16	evidence is totally inadmissible.").
17	Paragraph 21. Defendants object to paragraph 21, line 23, to the extent that the testimony
18	implies the purchase of marijuana using a card obtained in reliance upon a phony physician statement
19	as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly
20	prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
21	Paragraph 22. Defendants object to paragraph 22, lines 24-26, on the grounds that the
22	testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether
23	the alleged "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
24	Paragraph 23. Defendants object to paragraph 23, line 1, on the grounds that the testimony
25	constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged
26	"bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
27	Paragraph 24. Defendants object to paragraph 24, lines 4-6, on the grounds that the
28	testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether

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- the alleged "undercover purchase of marijuana" and/or alleged "distribution of marijuana" was in fact
- 2 marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of
- 3 marijuana using a card obtained in reliance upon a phony physician statement as impermissible
- 4 evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants.
- 5 Fed. R. Evid. 403.
- 6 Paragraph 25. Defendants object to paragraph 25, lines 7-10, on the grounds that the
- 7 testimony is vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation as this declarant has no personal knowledge of
- 8 any purported distribution of marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object to this testimony on
- 9 the ground that it constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to
- whether the alleged "one-eighth ounce of marijuana with the brand name 'House Special'" was in
- fact marijuana." Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase
- of marijuana using an undercover name, identification, and a phony physician statement as
- impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial
- to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403.
- Paragraph 27. Defendants object to paragraph 27, lines 23-26, on the grounds that it is
- vague, ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
- Paragraph 28. Defendants object to paragraph 28, lines 1-8, on the grounds that it is vague,
- ambiguous, and lacks foundation. Fed. R. Evid. 602.
- 19 Paragraph 29. Defendants object to paragraph 29, lines 9-15 on the grounds that is vague,
- 20 conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the purported
- 21 contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. The testimony also constitutes improper opinion testimony and
- 22 impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged "Small Hash Oil," the alleged "Large Hash
- Oil," the alleged "Afghani Hash," and/or the alleged "live marijuana plants" were in fact marijuana.
- 24 Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702.
- Paragraph 30. Defendants object to paragraph 30, lines 16-20, on the grounds that is vague,
- 26 conclusory, and lacks foundation, as this declarant has no personal knowledge of the purported
- 27 contents. Fed. R. Evid. 602. Defendants object on the grounds that the testimony constitutes
- 28 inadmissible hearsay to the extent that it relies upon the statement of an unidentified individual

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named called "UM1." Any statement by "UM1" that Special Agent Nyfeler could purchase cannabis 1 is inadmissible for the truth of the matter asserted. Fed. R. Evid. 801, 802. Failure to positively 2 identify "UM1" as an agent and/or employee of the OCBC precludes the government from invoking 3 the admission by party-opponent rule, claiming that "UM1's" statements are non-hearsay. Fed. R. 4 Evid 801(d)(2). Accordingly, defendants object to these hearsay statements on the grounds that 5 admitting them would fly in the face of the purpose of the hearsay rule, which is to prevent the 6 admission of an out-of-court statement for which the truth and veracity of the witness cannot be 7 ascertained. See Queen v. Hepburn, 7 Cranch 290, 296 (U.S. Dist. Col. 1813) ("Its intrinsic 8 weakness, its incompetency to satisfy the mind of the existence of fact, and the frauds which might be 9 practiced under its cover, combine to support the rule that hearsay evidence is totally inadmissible."). 10 Defendants further object to the extent that the testimony implies the alleged purchase of marijuana 11 using a card obtained in reliance upon a phony physician statement as impermissible evidence 12 illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. 13 Evid. 403. 14 Paragraph 31. Defendants object to paragraph 31, lines 22-23, on the grounds that the 15 testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether 16 the alleged "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. 17 Paragraph 32. Defendants object to paragraph 32, line 24, on the grounds that the testimony 18 constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether the alleged 19 "bag of suspected marijuana" was in fact marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants further 20 object to the extent that the testimony implies the alleged purchase of marijuana using a card obtained 21 in reliance upon a phony physician statement as impermissible evidence illegally obtained by fraud 22 and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants. Fed. R. Evid. 403. 23 Paragraph 33. Defendants object to paragraph 33, lines 1-3, on the grounds that the 24 testimony constitutes improper opinion testimony and impermissible legal conclusions as to whether 25 the alleged "undercover purchase of marijuana" and/or alleged "distribution of marijuana" was in fact 26

marijuana. Fed. R. Evid. 701, 702. Defendants object to the reference to the alleged purchase of

marijuana using a card obtained in reliance upon a phony physician statement as impermissible

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1	evidence illegally obtained by fraud and entrapment that would be unfairly prejudicial to defendants.
2	Fed. R. Evid. 403.
3	CONCLUSION
4	For the foregoing reasons, the government's motion for summary judgment and permanent
5	injunctive relief lack evidentiary support and therefore must be denied.
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