Muammar el-Qaddafi (and related entities and individuals) (Germany)

Case ID:

ARW-133

Jurisdiction of Origin of Public Official or Entity Allegedly Involved:

Libya

Position of Public Official(s) (yrs in office):

President (1969-2011)

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery:

Germany

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery ? Description:

Undertaking Recovery Effort, Location of Recovery Effort, Asset Location / Alleged Asset Location

Asset Recovery Start:

2011

Asset Recovery End:

Ongoing

UNCAC Offenses Implicated:

Art.20

Money laundering Implicated:

No

Legal Basis for Asset Recovery:

Case in Investigatory/Asset Restraint Stage Intl.Cooperation: MLAT/Letter of Request?:

Unknown

Basis for Intl Cooperation:

Unspecified

Contributing Factors in Asset Recovery:

Ongoing Case

Status of Asset Recovery:

Ongoing

Stage in Asset Recovery Chain:

Investigation/Asset Tracing/Asset Restraint

Agreement for Returned Assets:

Ongoing

Agreement for Returned Assets - Description:

N/A

Case Summary:

An article by the German Missions in the United States reported that at the September 2011 Libya Conference in Paris, Prime Minister Merkel stated "Libyan assets blocked while Gaddafi was still in power are now to be unfrozen, among them one billion of the seven billion euros in Germany, which the United Nations has agreed to unfreeze, according to Merkel. These funds must now be used to rebuild the country." (Source: German Missions in the United States, "Merkel Pledges Support at Libya Conference in Paris," September 2, 2011.) According to an

article by Germany's Federal Foreign Office, pursuant to sanctions imposed by the European Union, Foreign Minister Westerwelle stated that "Germany had acted swiftly to implement the sanctions. Libyan assets worth billions had been frozen in German banks." (Source: Federal Foreign Office, "Stepping up the pressure on the Libyan regime," last updated March 14, 2011.)

Disposition of Criminal Case(s):

Mr. Qaddafi passed away on October 20, 2011 (Source: New York Times, "Muammar el Qaddafi"); as of October 31, 2011 cases in investigatory stage as to other individuals and entities.

Documents:

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