

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
Northern Division

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	Civil No. CCB-13-1183
)	
Three Knife-Shaped Coins,)	
Twelve Chinese Coins, and)	
Seven Cypriot Coins,)	
Defendants.)	

RESPONSE TO GOVERNMENT’S MOTION TO STRIKE

Claimant, Ancient Coin Collectors Guild (“the Guild”), through undersigned counsel, hereby responds to the Government’s Motion to Strike Portions of the Claimant’s Answer and Affirmative Defenses and Request for a More Definite Statement. In conjunction with this response and pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 15 (a) (1) (B), the Guild has filed an Amended Answer. That rule allows for the Guild to amend its Answer once as a matter of course, thereby superseding its initial pleading, and rendering the Government’s Motion to Strike moot. *See Hammer v. Peninsula Poultry Equipment Co., Inc*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 2502, *9-17 (D. Md. Jan. 8, 2013); *Swarey v. Desert Capital, REIT, Inc.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 134998, *17-20 (D. Md. Sept. 20, 2012).

WHEREFORE, the Guild respectfully requests that the Court deny the Government’s Motion as moot and adopt the Guild’s previously proposed discovery schedule. (Doc. No. 10.)

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Respectfully submitted,

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