

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

FENDI S.R.L.,

Plaintiff

,

v.

THE PARTNERSHIPS AND
UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS
IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE "A",

Defendants.

Case No. 1:24-cv-05629
District Judge John F. Kness
Magistrate Judge Beth W. Jantz

ORDER ON MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

THIS CAUSE being before the Court on Plaintiff FENDI S.R.L.'s, Motion to Extend Temporary Restraining Order (Dkt. 24) against the defendants identified on Schedule A to the Complaint (collectively, the "Defendants"), and this Court having reviewed the evidence before it hereby GRANTS Plaintiff's Motion.

THIS COURT HEREBY FINDS that issuing this Order pursuant to Rule 65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure is appropriate because Rule 65(b)(2) states the court may extend a temporary restraining order entered without notice provided good cause shown prior to the expiration of the order. Fed. R. Civ. P. 65(b)(2). The Court finds good cause shown for an extension and that Plaintiffs needs additional time to effectuate the TRO by identifying and freezing all of the Defendants' payment accounts. The Court further finds good cause shown and that the same facts exist since the Court granted the TRO. Specifically, Defendants will likely move any assets from accounts in financial institutions under this Court's jurisdiction

to offshore accounts. Accordingly, in the interest of justice, extension of the TRO is necessary.

This Court also finds that issuing this Order without notice pursuant to Rule 65(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure is appropriate because Plaintiff has presented specific facts in the Declarations of John Haarlow, Jr. and Nicholas Lambert, and that accompanying evidence, clearly showing that immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage will result to the movant before the adverse party can be heard in opposition. Specifically, in the absence of an Order, Defendants could and likely would remove assets from this Court's jurisdiction. As other courts have recognized, proceedings against those who deliberately traffic in counterfeit merchandise are often useless if notice is given to the adverse party before their assets can be frozen. Accordingly, this Court orders that:

The extension of the Temporary Restraining Order without notice is entered at 15:00 hrs. on 10/29/_____, 2024 and shall remain in effect for fourteen (14) days through _____, 2024.



JOHN F. KNESS
United States District Judge