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Stay lifted; Amadea to leave Fiji

The stay of execution granted to Millemarin Investments Ltd of the order in the High Court registering the US warrant to seize the super yacht Amadea was lifted this afternoon (07.06.22) by the Supreme Court of Fiji.

On 1st June 2022, an application by the Millemarin Investments Ltd was made in the Supreme Court for a stay of execution of the court's order granted earlier (3.5.22) to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

On 2nd June 2022, the Supreme Court ruled that the execution of the Court of Appeal and High Court be stayed pending the determination of the petitioner's summons for stay pending appeal.

The President of the Supreme Court, Chief Justice Kamal Kumar, in his judgment this afternoon (07.06.22) dismissed the petitioner's application for stay and ruled that the super yacht Amadea can leave Fiji.

The Director of Public Prosecutions, Christopher Pryde, said:

"The decision acknowledges Fiji's commitment to respecting international mutual assistance requests and Fiji's international obligations. The court accepted the validity of the US warrant and agreed that issues concerning money laundering and ownership need to be decided in the court of original jurisdiction, in this case, the US District Court of Columbia. The Amadea has been handed over to US authorities and will now leave Fiji."

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7 June 2022

NB: *A copy of the Judgment has been uploaded to the ODPP website.*