UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Case No. 8:17-cr-204-T-17CPT

LA VONTE LEWIS GILLIS

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

THIS CAUSE comes before the Court upon the United States of America's Motion for a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture for a Taurus International model PT92AF, 9mm pistol, serial number TLK85570D, and thirteen rounds of assorted 9mm ammunition.

Being fully advised of the relevant facts, the Court hereby finds that the firearm and ammunition identified above were used, or intended to be used, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of, the defendant's drug offense, and were possessed in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, to which he pled guilty.

Accordingly, it is hereby:

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that for good cause shown, the United States' motion is GRANTED.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(a)(2), 18 U.S.C. § 924(d), 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and Rule 32.2(b)(2) of the Federal Rules

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of Criminal Procedure, the assets identified above are hereby forfeited to the United States for disposition according to law.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that, upon entry of this order, it shall become a final order of forfeiture as to the defendant.

The Court retains jurisdiction to address any third party claim that may be asserted in these proceedings, and to enter any further order necessary for the forfeiture and disposition of such property.

DONE and ORDERED in Tampa, Florida, this _____day of

MAY

_____, 2018.

ELIZABETH A. KOVACHEVICH UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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