

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** :  
 :  
 v. : **Case No. 21-cr-275 (ABJ)**  
 :  
**JAMES MATTHEW HORNING,** :  
 **Defendant.** :

**JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE STATUS HEARING**

The United States of America, by and through its attorney, the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, and the defendant, James Matthew Horning, respectfully move this Honorable Court to continue the status hearing currently scheduled for April 1, 2022, to a date in approximately thirty days, with time excluded under the Speedy Trial Act in the interests of justice.

In support of this Motion, the parties submit they are currently in plea discussions and need additional time to determine whether a mutually agreeable disposition may be reached. In addition, discovery continues to be provided by the government and reviewed by the defense.

The parties are available for a hearing on April 26 (other than from 11 am to 3 pm), April 27 (other from 12 pm to 3 pm), April 28, or April 29 (other than from 11:30 am to 1 pm, or 3:30 pm to end of day), 2022.

The parties agree that the interests of justice will be served by excluding time and outweigh the defendant's and the public's interest in a speedy trial.

WHEREFORE, the parties respectfully ask this Court to continue the status hearing currently scheduled for April 1, 2022, to a date approximately thirty days later.

Respectfully submitted,

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