

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	
	:	
v.	:	CRIMINAL NO. 21-MJ-53
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CHRISTINE PRIOLA,	:	
	:	
Defendant.	:	

ORDER

Based upon the representations in the United States’ Unopposed Motion to Continue and to Exclude Time Under the Speedy Trial Act, and upon consideration of the entire record, the Court makes the following findings:

Defendant is charged via complaint with offenses related to crimes that occurred at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021. This event in its entirety is hereinafter referred to as the “Capitol Attack.”

The investigation and prosecution of the Capitol Attack will likely be one of the largest in American history, both in terms of the number of defendants prosecuted and the nature and volume of the evidence. As the Capitol Attack investigation is still ongoing, the number of defendants charged and the volume of potentially discoverable materials will only continue to grow. In short, even in cases involving a single defendant, the volume of discoverable materials is likely to be significant.

In this case, an ends-of-justice continuance is warranted under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) based on the factors described in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i)(ii) and (iv). As described above, the Capitol Attack is likely the most complex investigation ever prosecuted by the Department of Justice and gathering, reviewing, organizing, and producing discovery is a monumental process.

In sum, due to the number of individuals currently charged across the Capitol Attack investigation and the nature of those charges, the ongoing investigation of many other individuals, the volume and nature of potentially discovery materials, and the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation by all parties taking into account the exercise of due diligence, the failure to grant such a continuance in this proceeding would be likely to make a continuation of this proceeding impossible, or result in a miscarriage of justice. Accordingly, the ends of justice served by granting a request for a continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

Therefore, it is this 31 day of January, 2022,

ORDERED that the United States' Unopposed Motion to Continue and to Exclude Time Under the Speedy Trial Act, is hereby GRANTED; it is further

ORDERED that this proceeding is continued to Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.; and it is further

ORDERED that the time period from the date of this Order through and including the date of the next hearing is hereby excluded from the computation of time within which trial must commence under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161 *et seq.*

THE HONORABLE
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE