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**BY ECF**

Hon. Edward R. Korman  
U.S. District Judge  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: *United States v. Afrasiabi*, 21 Cr. 46 (ERK)

Dear Judge Korman,

I write as stand-by counsel to Dr. Afrasiabi to respectfully request that the Court adjourn the status conference in the above-referenced case to April 20, 2022, at 2 p.m. Dr. Afrasiabi has been experiencing medical issues that make it difficult for him to assist in the preparation of his defense. Accordingly, we ask that the Court exclude the time until April 20, 2022 under the Speedy Trial Act. The government has no objection to these requests.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/

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