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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Government,

15 CR.867 (RMB)

-against-

ORDER

MEHMET HAKAN ATILLA,
Defendant.
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Having considered all the relevant factors, including, without limitation, defense and government counsels' need for trial preparation, the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, the Court's trial calendar, and the public interest in the issues presented, the Court confirms that the trial will commence on October 30, 2017 at 9:30 am.

The Court notes that it earlier adjourned the trial - principally at Counsel for Mr. Attila's request - from August 21 to October 30, 2017; Defense has yet to work out a protective order (typically one of defense counsels' initial responsibilities); the Government has offered to work with Mr. Rocco to expedite discovery; and that Mr. Rocco's application to be permitted "to return to the Court [by August 1, 2017] with [its] assessment of whether the October 30th trial date remains feasible" is wholly inadequate to accommodate the interests of the various parties who will be involved in the trial of this case.

Mr. Rocco's application is, therefore, respectfully denied. See Morris v. Slappy, 461 U.S. 1, 11 (1983) ("Trial judges necessarily require a great deal of latitude in scheduling trials. Not the least of their problems is that of assembling the witnesses, lawyers, and jurors at the same place at the same time, and this burden counsels against continuances except for compelling reasons.") and United States v. Ortiz, 220 Fed. App'x. 13, *1 (2d Cir. 2007) ("The matter of whether or not to adjourn a trial date is traditionally within the discretion of the trial

judge, and it is not every denial of a request for more time that violates due process even if the party fails to offer evidence or is compelled to defend without counsel.”) (internal quotations and citation omitted). See also Court’s Order dated May 16, 2017.

Dated: New York, New York
June 12, 2017

Handwritten signature of Richard M. Berman in black ink.

Hon. Richard M. Berman, U.S.D.J.