IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,
V.
PHILIP SNYDER,
Defendants.

Case No. 12-40012-01-RDR

ORDER TO EXTEND RESPONSE DEADLINE AND CONTINUE MOTION HEARING

The matter comes before the court on the motion of the government (Doc. 35) to extend the response deadline in this case from March 16, 2012 until and including March 26, 2012 and to continue the Motions Hearing from March 28,

2012 at 9:30 a.m. to a date to be determined by the Court.

In support of its motion, the government states that:

1. The government's responses to the defendant's pretrial motions are

currently due March 16, 2012 with a hearing on all pretrial motions currently set

on March 28, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

2. No prior extensions of the motion response deadline have been requested.

3. The defendant has filed a motion to suppress (Doc. 26). Counsel for the government is in the process of preparing a response; however, owing to conflicting matters, including numerous hearings on unrelated matters, counsel has

not yet been able to do so.

4. Additionally, the parties are engaged in negotiations regarding resolution of the case and counsel for the government is in the process of obtaining additional discovery materials requested by the defendant, which may assist the parties in reaching an agreement.

5. Counsel for the government anticipates that the requested extension will also allow the parties an opportunity to resolve some or all of the pending issues remaining in the case, which will serve the interests of judicial economy and the public by paring down the matters to be resolved through litigation.

6. Accordingly, the government requests additional time, until and including March 26, 2012, to complete and file its response, and that the Court continue the pretrial motions hearing if and to the extent it determines to be necessary.

7. Counsel for the defendant has been contacted with respect to the instant motion and indicated that the defendant has no objection to it being granted.

The Court finds that the government's request is a reasonable one and should be granted.

The Court further finds and orders for the reasons set forth in the government's motion that the period of trial delay resulting from the continuance is excludable time, as provided in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(1)(D), in that it is "delay

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resulting from. . .[a] pretrial motion, from the filing of the motion through the conclusion of the hearing on, or other prompt disposition of, such motion," and 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), in that the ends of justice served by the granting of such continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the government's motion (Doc. 35) is hereby GRANTED, and the response deadline is hereby extended until and including March 26, 2012.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motion hearing in this matter is hereby continued to April 4, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Richard D. Rogers United States District Judge