

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :
 :
v. : CASE NO. : 8:07-Cr-342-T-23MAP
 :
AHMED ABDELLATIF SHERIF MOHAMED :

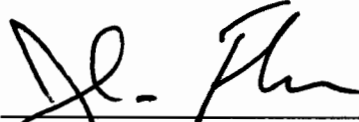
MOTION ON BEHALF OF DEFENDANT MOHAMED TO CONTINUE
ARRAIGNMENT PRESENTLY SCHEDULED FOR
TOMORROW, OCTOBER 17, 2007

COMES NOW the undersigned attorney on behalf of Defendant Ahmed Abdellatif Sherif Mohamed and respectfully states to the Court as follows:

On October 3, 2007, the undersigned appeared at the Arraignment with Mr. Mohamed and advised the Court that the undersigned anticipated being retained by the Embassy of Egypt to represent Mr. Mohamed. Because final retainer arrangements had not been completed, at the request of Mr. Mohamed and the undersigned, the Court continued the Arraignment to October 17, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.

The undersigned has been in regular communication with the Embassy of Egypt and has been advised that retention of the undersigned by the Embassy of Egypt has been approved by all necessary government officials in Cairo. The final retainer arrangements are being concluded and the undersigned anticipates that these will take place within the next week. Accordingly, at the present time, the undersigned is not in a position to enter an appearance but anticipates being able to do so very shortly.

For these reasons, the Defendant Mohamed respectfully moves the Court to continue the Arraignment for one week, to a date past October 23, 2007. In the event that the Court grants this motion and the final retention arrangements have been completed prior to the new Arraignment date, it is the undersigned's intention to file a formal notice of appearance and to also waive the Arraignment by filing a written of not guilty.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on October 16th, 2007, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court by using the CM/ECF system which will send a notice of electronic filing to the following: Jay L. Hoffer, Esquire, Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, 400 North Tampa Street, Suite 3200, Tampa, Florida 33602 and Adam Benjamin Allen, Esquire, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Federal Public Defender's Office, 400 North Tampa Street, Suite 2700, Tampa, Florida 33602.



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