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October 10, 2024

By ECF

The Honorable Orelia E. Merchant
United States District Court
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: United States v. Horst Jicha
Criminal Docket No. 23-342 (OEM)

Dear Judge Merchant:

The government respectfully writes in advance of today’s 11:30 a.m. status conference to ensure that Your Honor has been informed that the defendant apparently tampered with his ankle bracelet on Friday, October 4, 2024, and has absconded in violation of his pretrial conditions. Pretrial Services alerted the government approximately 12 hours after Mr. Jicha’s bracelet ceased working. The government understands that Pretrial Services sought an arrest warrant that evening from The Honorable Marcia M. Henry, United States Magistrate Judge, and the government has requested copies of all the underlying relevant materials. We assume these have already been provided to Your Honor by Pretrial Services, but alert you to these facts in an abundance of caution.

Respectfully submitted,

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