

Maduro and Cilia Flores consent to pausing the speedy-trial clock

United States v. Maduro Moros et al. · S.D.N.Y. No. 1:11-cr-00205

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What happened

Responding to the judge's April 27 order, counsel for Nicolás Maduro (Barry J. Pollack) and for Cilia Flores (Andres Sanchez and Mark Donnelly) confirmed by letter that both defendants consent to excluding the time between April 24, 2026 and the next conference under the Speedy Trial Act. The defense says the time will let it review discovery and prepare pretrial motions. The letter states the government joins the request and that all parties would be available for a conference the week of June 29.

What it means

Federal law sets a deadline for trial to begin; "excluding time" means that period does not count. The letter meets the condition the judge set: express consent from both defendants and a stated reason. It is a procedural step, not a ruling on the merits.

What happens next

The defense proposes a conference the week of June 29 if the Court has a date available; the judge has yet to rule.

Key passages from the filing (verbatim)

"Mr. Maduro and Ms. Flores de Maduro consent to the exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act between April 24, 2026 and the next court conference to allow the defense an opportunity to review discovery and prepare pretrial motions."

Page 1 — This is the express consent from both defendants the judge had asked for.

"all parties would be available for a court conference the week of June 29, if there is a date that week available on the Court's calendar."

Page 1 — It proposes when the next hearing would be.

Docket text (official, in English)

LETTER by Nicolas Maduro Moros, Cilia Adela Flores De Maduro addressed to Judge Alvin K. Hellerstein from Barry J. Pollack dated May 1, 2026 re: Response to the Courts April 27, 2026 Order (Pollack, Barry) (Entered: 05/01/2026)

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