

Factual proffer detailing Saab's CLAP bribery scheme is filed with the court

United States v. Alex Nain Saab Morán · S.D. Fla. No. 1:26-cr-20020

Judge Kathleen M. Williams · Docket entry #44 · Filed 2026-09-15 · Filed by: Other

What happened

On September 15, 2026, a factual proffer signed by prosecutors, defense counsel, and Alex Saab himself was entered in the case record. It details a bribery and money-laundering scheme tied to Venezuela's CLAP food-distribution contracts, describing how Saab and Alvaro Pulido, working with senior Venezuelan officials, allegedly won contracts through bribes and then diverted hundreds of millions of dollars using shell companies in Hong Kong, Bulgaria, Liechtenstein and elsewhere. The parties agree these are facts the government would have proven beyond a reasonable doubt had the case gone to trial.

What it means

This document formalizes the facts Saab acknowledges as the basis for his guilty plea to conspiracy to commit money laundering, entered the same day. It is not a new charge or sentence, but the agreed factual record underlying the plea, referencing a 'Government Official 1A' and several unnamed co-defendants.

What happens next

Sentencing is scheduled for January 20, 2027, per the case record.

Key passages from the filing (verbatim)

"SAAB and Pulido, along with high level Venezuelan officials, were the primary organizers and leaders of the illegal scheme."

Page 2 — States the core allegation that forms the basis of Saab's plea.

"SAAB profited approximately \$195 million from at least six contracts that were awarded to the conspirators."

Page 5 — Quantifies the proceeds tied to the scheme, matching the forfeiture amount in the case background.

"knowing and voluntary plea of guilty to the violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h), as charged in the Indictment."

Page 7 — Confirms this proffer is the factual basis for Saab's guilty plea to money laundering conspiracy.

Docket text (official, in English)

FACTUAL PROFFER STATEMENT as to Alex Nain Saab Moran (mso) (Entered: 09/15/2026)

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