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Via ECF

Hon. P. Kevin Castel United States District Judge **United States Courthouse** 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

> Re: United States v. Juan Antonio Hernandez Alvarado

> > 15 Cr. 379

Dear Judge Castel:

I represent Mr. Hernandez Alvarado. I write to update the Court on the current status of Mr. Hernandez's matter.

Mr. Hernandez Alvarado informed me a few days ago that prior counsel never provided him with a translated copy of the Pre-Sentence Report. The Final Presentence Report was produced in February 2020, at approximately the same time as counsel had submitted a sentencing submission, which was apparently not translated for him either. I was appointed on April 15. As Mr. Hernandez Alvarado appeared fully conversant with all sentencing-related matters, the issue simply never came up in conversation until now, when we were preparing for sentencing at the end of this month.

I have secured a translator, am submitting a request for translation through evoucher this evening and will advise the Court as to the anticipated completion date of the two documents. I apologize for any inconvenience and thank the Court for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter E. Brill