

January 19, 2023 Status Update – Ascertainment of Counsel Hearing Time Change

We write to provide you with an update on our efforts to prosecute Abu Agila Mohammad Mas'ud Kheir al-Marimi for his alleged role in the attack on your loved ones in the bombing of Pan Am 103.

The Ascertainment of Counsel Hearing that was scheduled for **January 25, 2023 at 2:00 pm (ET)** **has been moved to earlier in the day, to 10:30 am (ET).**

The first purpose of the hearing is to determine whether the defendant has retained private counsel or will be appointed counsel by the Court. Second, if the defendant has retained counsel or been appointed counsel to represent him, the court will conduct an Arraignment, at which the defendant will enter a plea to the charges filed in this case. The government expects the defendant to enter a plea of not guilty at this hearing. Your attendance is not required.

The hearing will take place at the E. Barrett Prettyman Courthouse, 333 Constitution, Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001, in courtroom 5, on the second floor.

The public will be able to dial in to hear the court proceedings at the following number:

- Toll Free Number: 866-590-5055 • Access Code: 5496501

We understand that the above number may not be toll free for those outside the United States.

We will continue to provide updates through the Victim Notification System (VNS) with updated scheduling and event information as the case proceeds through the criminal justice system.

You may obtain current information about this case on the VNS website <https://www.notify.usdoj.gov> or from the VNS Call Center at 1-866-DOJ-4YOU (1-866-365-4968) (TDD/TTY: 1-866-228-4619) (International: 1-502-213-2767).

In addition, you may use the Call Center or Internet to update your contact information and/or change your decision about participation in the notification program.