

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
LYNCHBURG DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

REGINALD LEON EDWARDS,

Defendant

CRIMINAL NO. 6:07cr00014

ORDER and OPINION

JUDGE NORMAN K. MOON

This matter is before the Court on Defendant's Motion for Continuance, filed on May 4, 2007 (docket entry no. 26). Defendant was charged in a four-count indictment with conspiracy to distribute and to possess with the intent to distribute cocaine, possession with intent to distribute cocaine, possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, and possession of a firearm by a felon. Trial is set for May 15, 2007.

Defendant's reasons for requesting a continuance, as stated in his motion, are that "the discovery is not complete at this time," that "this is the first request for a continuance," that "the defendant has waived under the Speedy Trial Act,"¹ and that "the government ... has stated no objection" to a continuance. These reasons alone, however, are insufficient for me to find that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and Defendant in a speedy trial. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

For the foregoing reasons, this motion is hereby DENIED.

It is so ORDERED. The Clerk of the Court is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Order to all counsel of record.

¹ As I earlier held in this case, the attempted waiver of time constraints imposed by the Speedy Trial Act by Defendant is ineffective. (*See* Order, May 3, 2007)

ENTERED: _____
United States District Judge

Date