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6 SUPERIOR COURT OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA
7 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

8 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

9 Plaintiff,

10 vs.

11 EUGENE YU,

12 Defendant.

Case Number: BA509784

**PEOPLE'S REPLY TO
DEFENDANT'S MOTION
FOR BAIL REVIEW**

Date: October 25, 2022
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Dept: 30

14 **TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE VICTORIA WILSON, AND TO COUNSEL FOR**
15 **DEFENDANT, AND DEFENDANT:**

16 On October 21, 2022, the Defendant filed his instant "Motion for Bail Review." On
17 October 24, 2022, both parties appeared in this Department to argue the date Defendant's Motion would
18 be heard. The hearing was set for October 26, 2022, at 1:30 p.m., in Department 30. The Court requested
19 all briefing be submitted by the noon hour on that date. Defendant requests in his Motion, most
20 significantly, that restrictions on his travel and communications be lifted, and that he be granted an O.R.
21 release. For the reasons specified, below, the People oppose Defendant's motion and ask that the bail
22 amount and all current restrictions remain in place.
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1 **ARGUMENT OPPOSING DEFENDANT’S MOTION**

2 **I.**

3 **DEFENDANT POSES AN UNREASONABLE AND EXCEPTIONAL FLIGHT RISK.**

4 The Defendant in this case poses an unreasonable and exceptional flight risk as specified in Penal
5 Code section 1275(a)(1). That sections states, in pertinent part:

6 In setting, reducing, or denying bail, a judge or magistrate shall take into consideration
7 the protection of the public, the seriousness of the offense charged, the previous criminal
8 record of the defendant, and the probability of his or her appearing at trial or at a hearing
9 of the case.

10 (Pen. Code, § 1275(a)(1).)

11 The Defendant has significant ties to China, which is inextricably connected with his alleged
12 fraud committed on the citizens of Los Angeles (hereafter “PII”). He lived in China for approximately
13 three decades before coming to the United States. He still has extensive family – and more importantly
14 business – contacts in China. Those business contacts are directly related to the charged fraud. Mr. Yu’s
15 U.S.-based company Konnech, Inc. sent that Los Angeles poll worker PII to Chinese-based companies.
16 In addition, Mr. Yu has the means and connections that would make flight to China a reasonably
17 foreseeable and difficult-to-mitigate risk.

18 **II.**

19 **DEFENDANT POSES A CONTINUED RISK TO THE PUBLIC**

20 The Defendant, as the CEO of Konnech, Inc., was personally responsible for defrauding Los
21 Angeles County of roughly \$2.6 million. He entered into the agreement with Los Angeles County
22 wherein Konnech, Inc. agreed, among other things, to securely and safely handle PII of County workers
23 in exchange for roughly \$2.6 million. It is alleged that he deliberately misled the County because he had
24 no intent to abide by the material elements of the contract addressing the security of this PII.

25 Under the Defendant’s direction, Konnech actually exposed the PII of tens of thousands of
26 County workers to possible compromise in violation of his agreement with the County. If allowed to
27 resume his role as the head of Konnech, the Defendant poses a further danger to the privacy of individuals
28 whose PII is in Konnech’s hands, as well as to any future clients the Defendant may defraud in a similar
fashion.

29 **III.**

30 **DEFENDANT’S REQUEST SHOULD BE DENIED**

31 Based on the high risk of flight Defendant poses alone, this Court should deny Defendant’s
32 motion. The People request bail remain as set at \$500,000 and that the current restrictions on Defendant’s

1 movements and communications remain in place for the pendency of this case.

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3 Dated this 25th day of October, 2022

Respectfully submitted,
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