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Washington, D.C. 20530

April 10, 2018

The Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D.C. 20543

> Re: Jorge Avila Torrez v. United States, No. 17-1189

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed February 22, 2018 and placed on the docket on February 23, 2018. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on April 25, 2018. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including May 25, 2018, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for final preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of other matters before the Court.

Counsel for petitioner does not object to this further extension of time.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

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