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

Re: *Ndioba Niang, et al. v. Brittany Tomblinson, et al.*,
S. Ct. No. 17-1428

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on April 11, 2018, and placed on the docket on April 13, 2018. The government's response is due on May 14, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including June 13, 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 are heavily engaged with the press of other matters before the federal and state courts. The attorneys require additional time to thoroughly research and brief the issues in the petition.

We also anticipate that *amicus* briefs will be filed in support of the petitioner. A 30-day extension will afford us the opportunity to respond to the arguments of *amici*.

Sincerely,

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cc: See Attached Service List

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