

## U.S. Department of Justice Office of the Solicitor General

Washington, D.C. 20530

July 19, 2018

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

Re:

Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Association, Inc. v. Peter O'Rourke,

Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs, S.Ct No. 17-1693

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on June 18, 2018, and placed on the docket on June 21, 2018. The government's response is due on July 23, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including August 22, 2018, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

17-1693 BLUE WATER NAVY VIETNAM VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC. PETER O'ROURKE, ACTING SEC. OF VA

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