

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

Washington, D.C. 20530 November 21, 2017

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

Re: Quentery Gates v. United States of America,

S.Ct No. 17-6262

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was filed on October 2, 2017. Although the government waived its right to file a response, the Court has requested that a response be filed. The government's response is now due on November 27, 2017.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including December 27, 2017, 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

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