

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

Washington, D.C. 20530

August 23, 2018

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

Re:

Wendell Rivera-Ruperto v. United States of America,

S.Ct, No. 18-5384

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on July 27, 2018, and placed on the docket on July 30, 2018. The government's response is due on August 29, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including September 28, 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

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