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Office of the Solicitor General

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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

September 12, 2019

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

Re: Martel Valencia-Cortez v. United States, No. 19-5334

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on July 22, 2019.

The government's response is now due, after one extension, on September 25, 2019. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including October 25, 2019, within which to file a response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of previously assigned matters with proximate due dates.

Counsel for petitioner does not oppose this further extension.

Sincerely,

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Solicitor General

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