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

> James W. Richards, IV v. Matthew P. Donovan, Acting Secretary of the Air Force No. 19-55

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on July 8, 2019, and placed on the Court's docket on July 10, 2019. The government's response is currently due, on one extension, on October 15, 2019.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension to and including November 21, 2019, 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 have been heavily engaged with the press of other matters before the Court.

Counsel for petitioner does not object to this further extension of time.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

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