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## **VIA ECF**

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Re: Servotronics, Inc. v. Rolls-Royce PLC and The Boeing Company, Docket No. 20-794

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, the undersigned counsel of record for petitioner Servotronics, Inc., respectfully requests referral of respondents' motion for an extension of time to file a response to the petition for writ of certiorari to a Justice.

As noted in the objection of January 3, 2021, there are compelling circumstances that necessitate a speedy ruling on the petition and requiring respondents to proceed in a timely manner would not result in a hardship or prejudice for respondents. This matter presents a rare opportunity for the Court to resolve an issue of significance to practitioners and litigants involved in international and foreign commercial arbitrations that is the subject of a clear split of authority among the Circuit Courts of Appeals, but delay in review by the Court creates an unnecessary risk that the issue could be rendered moot. Specifically, petitioner is seeking a definitive ruling on whether the discretion of federal district courts to assist in gathering evidence for use in a "foreign or international tribunal" granted by 28 U.S.C. § 1782(a) encompasses private commercial arbitral tribunals. It should be noted that the importance of this issue to interested non-parties, the need for clarity, and the reasons why this issue does not appear to have been raised with the Court before and is unlikely to be submitted for review again in the near term will be discussed in an *amicus curiae* brief supporting the petition which the International Institute on Conflict Prevention and Resolution will be filing with the Court tomorrow.

Based on the compelling need for a speedy ruling on the petition, it is respectfully requested that respondents' motion for an extension of time to file their brief in opposition be referred to a Justice of the Court.

Respectfully submitted.

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