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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

June 8, 2021

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

Re: Rico Blackwell v. United States of America,  
S.Ct. No. 20-8016

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on May 10, 2021, and placed on the docket on May 13, 2021. The government's response is due on June 14, 2021.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including July 14, 2021, 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,

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Acting Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

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