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Office of the Solicitor General

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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

October 12, 2021

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

Re: John G. Tomes v. United States, No. 21-5104

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on July 7, 2021. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on October 27, 2021. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including November 26, 2021, 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,

Brian H. Fletcher  
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