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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

March 8, 2023

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

Re: Fharis Denane Smith v. United States of America,  
S.Ct. No. 22-6777

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on February 9, 2023, and placed on the docket on February 14, 2023. The government's response is due on March 16, 2023.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including April 17, 2023, 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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Solicitor General

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