



**U.S. Department of Justice
Office of the Solicitor General**

Washington, D.C. 20530
November 21, 2017

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

Re: Jose Diaz v. United States of America,
S.Ct No. 17-6606

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on October 30, 2017, and placed on the docket on November 1, 2017. The government's response is due on December 1, 2017.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including January 2, 2018 (December 31, 2017 is a Sunday and January 1, 2018 is a Holiday), 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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cc: See Attached Service List

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