



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

Washington, D.C. 20530

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

Re: Xiulu Ruan and John Patrick Couch v. United States of America,
S.Ct. No. 22-1175

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on May 31, 2023, and placed on the docket on June 5, 2023. The government's response is due on July 5, 2023.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including August 4, 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,

Elizabeth B. Prelogar
Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

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