



**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: Benito M. Valdez v. United States of America
S.Ct. No. 25-5537

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on August 29, 2025, and placed on the docket on September 3, 2025. The government's response is due on October 3, 2025.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including November 3, 2025, 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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