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Washington, D.C. 20530

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

Re: Francisco Xavier Ortiz-Colon v. USA,
S.Ct No. 26-274

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was filed on August 28, 2026. Although the government waived its right to file a response, the Court has requested that a response be filed. The government's response is now due on November 2, 2026.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including December 2, 2026, 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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