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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: Nidal Ahmed Waked Hatum v. USA,
S.Ct No. 26-320

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on September 8, 2026, and placed on the docket on September 10, 2026. The government's response is due on October 13, 2026.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including November 12, 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,

D. John Sauer
Solicitor General

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