



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

Washington, D.C. 20530

October 11, 2023

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

Re: Samuel Valencia v. United States of America,
S.Ct. No. 23-5606

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on September 12, 2023, and placed on the docket on September 18, 2023. The government's response is due on October 18, 2023.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including November 17, 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,

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cc: See Attached Service List

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