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#### UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

In re: APPLICATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR AN ORDER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 2703(D)

Case No. 11-5151

# MOVANTS-APPELLANTS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 26(b) and Rule 27, and the corresponding Local Rules of this Court, Movants-Appellants Jacob Appelbaum, Rop Gonggrijp, and Birgitta Jonsdottir ("Movants") respectfully move the Court for a one-week extension of the deadlines in the briefing schedule for this case.

Appellee United States of America ("Appellee") does not oppose this motion.

Movants' opening brief and the Appendix are currently due on January 12, 2012, Appellee's response brief is due on February 6, 2012, and Movants' reply brief is due within ten days of service of Appellee's response brief. Movants request that those dates be extended by eight days, respectively, so that Movants' opening brief and the Appendix are due on January 20, 2012, Appellee's response brief is due on February 14, 2012, and Movants' reply brief is due within ten days of service of Appellee's response brief.

This motion is made on the following grounds:

- 1. This is the first request for an extension in this matter.
- 2. This brief extension is requested in order to accommodate previously-planned holiday vacation schedules of Movants' respective counsel, and to ensure that Movants have sufficient time to brief the complex issues presented by this matter, which involves a joint appeal of several motions filed by three separate individuals.
- 3. This brief extension is also necessary to ensure that there is sufficient time to compile and file the Appendix. In addition to the upcoming holidays, additional time is required for the Appendix because of the existence of several sealed documents in this matter, which may necessitate the creation and filing of different volumes of the Appendix, along with accompanying pre-filing discussions with counsel for Appellee.
- 4. The presence of sealed materials may also require the filing of multiple versions of Movants' opening brief. This brief extension is necessary to ensure that Movants have sufficient time to comply with the Court's rules regarding briefs discussing sealed materials.
- 5. This short extension will not cause any prejudice to Appellee or unduly burden the Court. Counsel for Appellee, Andrew Peterson, has stated that Appellee does not object to this motion. Moreover, Movants' docketing statement

and their respective counsel's notices of appearance are not due until December 22, 2011, after the filing of this motion.

For the foregoing reasons, Movants respectfully request that the Court extend the briefing schedule by eight days, so that Movants' opening brief and the Appendix are due on January 20, 2012, Appellee's response brief is due on February 14, 2012, and Movants' reply brief is due within ten days of service of Appellee's response brief.

#### Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 20th day of December, 2011, the foregoing Unopposed Motion was filed electronically through the CM/ECF system. Notice of this filing will be sent by e-mail to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system.

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