IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff.

VS.

Civil Action No. 98-1232 (CKK)

MICROSOFT CORPORATION,

Defendant.

STATE OF NEW YORK *ex rel*. Attorney General ELIOT SPITZER, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

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Next Court Deadline: November 6, 2001 Status Conference

Defendant.

STIPULATION

Plaintiffs United States of America ("United States") and the States of New York, Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, North Carolina and Wisconsin and Defendant Microsoft Corporation ("Microsoft"), by and through their respective attorneys, having agreed to the entry of this Stipulation, it is hereby stipulated and agreed that:

1. A Final Judgment in the form attached hereto may be filed and entered by the Court, upon the motion of any party or upon the Court's own motion, at any time after compliance with the requirements of the Antitrust Procedures and Penalties Act, 15 U.S.C. § 16, and without further notice to any party or other proceedings, provided that the United States has not withdrawn its consent, which it may do at any time before the entry of the

revised proposed Final Judgment by serving notice thereof on Microsoft and by filing that notice with the Court.

- 2. Unless otherwise provided in the revised proposed Final Judgment, Microsoft shall begin complying with the revised proposed Final Judgment as it was in full force and effect starting on December 16, 2001. Subject to the foregoing, Microsoft agrees to be bound by the provisions of the revised proposed Final Judgment pending its entry by the Court. If the United States withdraws its consent, or if (a) the revised proposed Final Judgment is not entered pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation, (b) the time has expired for all appeals of any Court ruling declining to enter the revised proposed Final Judgment, and (c) the Court has not otherwise ordered continued compliance with the terms and provisions of the revised proposed Final Judgment, then all of the parties shall be released from all further obligations under this Stipulation, and the making of this Stipulation shall be without prejudice to any party in this or any other proceeding.
- 3. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 16(g), within ten (10) days of the submission of the revised proposed Final Judgment, Microsoft will file with the Court a description of any and all written or oral communications by or on behalf of Microsoft, or other person, with any officer or employee of the United States concerning or relevant to the revised proposed Final Judgment, except that any such communications made by counsel of record alone with the Attorney General or the employees of the United States Department of Justice alone shall be excluded from this requirement.
- 4. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 16(b), on or before November 16, 2001, the United States will file with the Court a Competitive Impact Statement explaining the terms of the revised proposed Final Judgment. The United States will publish the revised proposed Final Judgment and Competitive Impact Statement in the Federal Register.
- 5. The United States will publish a notice informing the public of the revised proposed Final Judgment and public comment period in the *Washington Post* and the *San*

Jose Mercury News, for seven days over a period of two weeks commencing no later than

November 15, 2001.

6. Members of the public may submit written comments about the revised

proposed Final Judgment to a designated official of the Antitrust Division of the United States

Department of Justice for a period of 60 days after publication of the revised proposed Final

Judgment and Competitive Impact Statement in the Federal Register.

7. Within 30 days after the close of the 60-day public comment period, the United

States will file with the Court and publish in the Federal Register any comments it receives

and its response to those comments.

8. Once the aforementioned procedures have been compiled with, the United

States will file with the Court a certification of compliance with the requirements of 15 U.S.C.

§ 16, and a Motion for Entry of Revised Proposed Final Judgment, unless it withdraws its

consent to entry of the revised proposed Final Judgment pursuant to paragraph 2, above. At

any time thereafter, and at the conclusion of any further proceedings ordered by the court

pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 16(f), the Court may then enter the revised proposed Final Judgment,

provided that the Court determines that entry of the revised proposed Final Judgment will

serve the public interest.

DATED this 6th day of November, 2001

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