IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

AT SEATTLE

NO. 2:15-cv-01605 RSM

CONSENT MOTION AND ORDER

REGARDING CASE SCHEDULE

MICROSOFT CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

Plaintiff,

VS.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,

Defendant.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION,

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19 INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,

20 Defendant.

The above-captioned action is for declaratory and injunctive relief under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 701 et seq. The parties jointly request that the action remains open and that the Court

CONSENT MOTION TO EXTEND TIME AND ORDER REGARDING CASE SCHEDULE (Case Nos. 2:15-cv-1605)

U.S. Department of Justice, Tax Division Ben Franklin Station, P.O. Box 227 Washington, D.C. 20044 202-616-9832 (Phone) 202-307-6866 (Fax) approve the parties' agreed upon, modified schedule set forth in paragraph 1, below. In support of this request, the parties state the following:

1. On March 29, 2021, the Court issued a case management order in which the Court adopted the parties' proposed schedule and case management order. Under that schedule, the IRS was required to provide Microsoft with draft revised declarations by June 15, 2021. The IRS has revised its declarations, however the IRS requests, and Microsoft consents, to extend by nine days the deadline for transmitting the revised draft declarations to Microsoft. This additional time is requested to permit adequate time for undersigned counsel for the IRS to provide feedback on the draft revisions. Accordingly, the IRS requests that the Court adopt the following revised schedule for both of the above-captioned cases:

SCHEDULE	
Event	Date
The IRS to provide draft revised declarations:	June 24, 2021
The IRS to provide draft revised <i>Vaughn</i> indices:	August 13, 2021
The IRS to file its motion for summary judgment:	September 13, 2021

- 2. Recognizing that the parties continue to engage in good faith negotiations, the parties agree that evidence of the IRS's efforts to address Microsoft's concerns, including any revisions to previously exchanged declarations or exemption claims, is not admissible to prove that the IRS's search was unreasonable or that the IRS's exemption claims were improper.
- 3. The parties jointly request that these actions remain open and that the Court enter an order adopting the case schedule proposed in paragraph 1.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of June, 2021.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing JOINT MOTION via the Court's electronic case filing system on June 15, 2021.

/s Richard J. Hagerman

RICHARD J. HAGERMAN

## 1 **ORDER** 2 It is SO ORDERED this 16th day of June, 2021. 3 4 5 6 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 7 8 Presented by: 9 10 **BAKER & McKENZIE LLP** 11 By: s/Daniel A. Rosen 12 Daniel A. Rosen, NYBA #2790442 Pro Hac Vice 13 452 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10018 14 Tel: (212) 626-4272 Fax: (212) 310-1600 15 Email: daniel.rosen@bakermckenzie.com 16 Attorney for Plaintiff Microsoft Corporation 17 18 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 19 By: s/Richard J. Hagerman 20 Richard J. Hagerman Trial Attorney, Tax Division 21 U.S. Department of Justice Post Office Box 227 22 Washington, DC 20044 Tel: (202) 616-9832 23 Fax: (202) 514-6866 24 Email: richard.j.hagerman@usdoj.gov 25 Attorney for Defendant Internal Revenue Service CONSENT MOTION TO EXTEND TIME AND ORDER

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