IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Adam Steele, Brittany Montrois, and Joseph Henchman, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

United States of America, *Defendant*.

Civil Action No.: 1:14-cv-01523-RCL

UNITED STATES' REPLY IN SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A REPLY BRIEF

The United States filed a motion to extend the deadline for the parties to file reply briefs in support of their respective motions for summary for judgment by four weeks from June 10, 2022 to July 8, 2022 (Dkt. No. 197).

Plaintiffs do not object to a four-week extension, (Dkt. No. 198 (Response) \P 1) but argue, without filing a motion for leave and before any replies are filed, that they want the United States to prematurely agree that they are entitled to a Surreply. (*Id.* \P 2).

A Surreply may only be filed by leave of court, and only "to address new matters raised in a reply, to which a party would otherwise be unable to respond." *United States v. Baroid Corp.*, 346 F. Supp. 2d 138, 143 (D.D.C. 2004) (Lamberth, J.). The proper time and place for Plaintiffs' request is in a separate motion after they know what is in the United States' reply. Regardless the Court should grant the extension because the Plaintiffs do not oppose it.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 6, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to those parties registered to receive it.

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