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MOTION FOR ORDERS EXTENDING TIME LIMITS PURSUANT TO 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2) (S)

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, through the undersigned Department of Justice attorney, respectfully moves the Court to issue orders pursuant to 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2) of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, as amended (the Act), extending to July 22, 2011, the time limits for the Court to complete its review of and and the issue orders concerning DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications amendments to their respective predecessor certifications. As discussed below, the government respectfully submits that there is good cause for the extensions of the time limits, and that such extensions would be consistent with national security. (S//OC,NF)

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I. Procedural Background-(S)-

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A. The 2011 Reauthorization Certifications and Related Amendments (S)-

On April 20, 2011, the government submitted to the Court DNI/AG 702(g)

Certification were the targeting and minimization procedures to be used by the National Security Agency (NSA), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) under that certification. DNI/AG 702(g) Certification reauthorizes DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

DNI/AG 702(g) Certification also included amendments to its predecessor certifications, DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications **Specifically**, these amendments authorize the use of the minimization procedures attached as Exhibits B and E to DNI/AG 702(g) Certification **Specifically** in connection with foreign intelligence

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information acquired in accordance with DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

These amendments also have an effective date of May 23, 2011. (S//OC,NF)

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B. Two Matters Recently Reported to the Court-(8)

1. Overcollection of the second second

On April 19, 2011, the government filed with the Court pursuant to Rule 13(b) of

the Rules of Procedure for the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, a preliminary

notice of two compliance incidents, both of which concern NSA's collection of

that, in addition to targeted communications, contain communications that are not to, from, or about selectors tasked for acquisition in accordance with section 702 of the Act.¹ One of these incidents concerns NSA's overcollection of

because of

The government respectfully incorporates herein by

reference this notice dated April 19, 2011. (TS//SI//OC,NF)

2. Clarification Concerning Upstream Collection -(TS//SI//NF)-

On May 2, 2011, the government filed, pursuant to Rule 13(a) of the Rules of

Procedure for the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, a preliminary notice

clarifying certain facts concerning NSA's upstream collection of electronic

communications.³ Specifically, this notice provided the Court with additional details

² The other incident reported in this notice concerned NSA's overcollection of On March 15, 2011, NSA terminated collection which these were being collected. (TS//SI//OC,NF)

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³ A copy of this notice is attached herewith at Tab B. (S//OC,NF)

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¹ A copy of this notice is attached herewith at Tab A. -(S//OC,NF)

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concerning one specified category of Internet communications NSA acquires through its upstream collection --- "electronic communications

" As stated in the notice, NSA, NSD,

and ODNI are still reviewing this matter and assessing its import, including what effect, if any, this type of Internet communications collection has on the efficacy of the means by which NSA prevents the intentional acquisition of Internet communications where the sender and all intended recipients are known at the time of acquisition to be located in the United States. The government respectfully incorporates herein by reference this notice dated May 2, 2011. (TS//SI//OC,NF)

II. The Issuance of Orders Under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2) is Appropriate in These Cases (S)

Upon the government's submission of DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

April 20, 2011,

the thirty-day time periods in which the Court is required to review the certifications began to run. <u>See</u> 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(1)(B). The thirty-day time periods for the Court to review the amendments to the predecessor certifications also began to run on those same dates. <u>See id.</u> § 1881a(i)(C). Accordingly, the time limit for the Court to complete its review of DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to its predecessor certifications is May 20, 2011. Likewise, the time limit for the Court to complete its review of DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

is May 22, 2011. - (S//OC,NF) -

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The Court may, however, "extend[] that time as necessary for good cause in a manner consistent with national security." 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2). For the following reasons, the government respectfully submits that there is good cause for extensions of the time limits, and that such extensions would be consistent with national security.

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A. There is Good Cause for the Court to Extend the Time Limits for Its Review (S)

The government believes that there is good cause for the Court to extend the deadlines for the Court to complete its review of DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

and the amendments to their respective predecessor certifications. Specifically, as explained below, the government intends to supplement the record concerning the matters discussed above in a manner that will aid the Court in its review and in making the determinations necessary to issue orders under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3). However, the government will not be in a position to supplement the record until after the statutory time limits for such review have expired. -(S//OC,NF)-

First, NSA is in the process of

designed to eliminate the above-discussed overcollection of **second** communications

However, these measures are not expected to be fully operational until on or about June 17, 2011 -- which is after the time limits established by 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(1)(B) and (C). Because the government believes that these corrective

measures should be considered by the Court as part of its review of the certifications
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and related amendments, the government respectfully submits that there is good cause for extending the time limits for such review. (S//OC,NF)

Second, NSA, NSD, and ODNI are continuing to investigate and assess the manner in which NSA acquires through its upstream collection "electronic

communications

including what affect, if any, this type of Internet communications collection has on the efficacy of the means by which NSA prevents the intentional acquisition of Internet communications where the sender and all intended recipients are known at the time of acquisition to be located in the United States. The government intends to provide additional information and analysis to the Court upon completion of this review and assessment. However, given the complexity of this issue, the government does not believe its review and assessment will be complete until after the abovediscussed time limits established by 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(1)(B) and (C). The government respectfully submits, therefore, there is good cause for extending those time limits because the government believes the additional information and analysis it intends to provide to the Court will assist the Court in making the required statutory findings concerning the certifications and related amendments. (S//OC,NF)

B. Extending the Time Limit for the Court's Review is Consistent with National Security. -(S)--

As this Court has recognized, "[t]he government's national security interest in conducting these acquisitions [under section 702] 'is of the highest order of magnitude."

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In re DNI/AG Certification

Mem. Op. at 37 (USFISC Sept. 4,

2008) (quoting <u>In re Directives Pursuant to Section 105B of the Foreign Intelligence</u> <u>Surveillance Act</u>, 551 F.3d 1004, 1012 (FISA Ct. Rev. 2008)). For example, the foreign intelligence information the government acquires under DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

Affidavit of Lt. General Keith B. Alexander, Director, NSA, ¶ 6. -(S//OC,NF) -

Were the Court to issue orders under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2) extending the time limits for its review of the certifications and related amendments so that the Court could consider these additional materials, the authorizations in the certifications being reauthorized, DNI/AG 702(g) Certification would, by operation of 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(5)(B), continue despite their expiration dates.⁴ The government respectfully submits that this result would be consistent with national security, because it would allow the government's acquisition of vitally important foreign intelligence information under DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

4 The government's filing of DNI/AG 702(g)

comported with 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(5)(A), which

requires that if the government seeks to reauthorize an authorization issued under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(a), the government must, to the extent practicable, submit to the Court a new certification executed under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(g), with supporting documents, at least thirty days before the expiration of the certification being reauthorized. If a new certification is filed in accordance with 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(5)(A), 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(5)(B) provides that the existing certification being reauthorized shall remain in effect, notwithstanding its expiration date, until the Court issues an order under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3) with respect to the new certification. (5)

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reauthorization certifications, DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

The government further submits that it would be consistent with national security for the Court to extend its consideration of the above-discussed amendments, which authorize the use of the NSA and CIA minimization procedures submitted with DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications for a content of the predecessors of those intelligence information acquired in accordance with the predecessors of those certifications. The NSA and CIA minimization procedures currently approved for use under those predecessor certifications, however, differ in some respects from the NSA and CIA minimization procedures submitted with DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

CIA to use a single set of minimization procedures (i.e., each agency's respective minimization procedures submitted with DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

for the entirety of each agency's holdings of foreign intelligence information acquired under section 702 will result in a more uniform application of minimization standards to that information. Authorizing each agency to use a single set of minimization procedures for that information also will significantly simplify oversight of each agency's adherence to those standards. -(S//OC,NF)-

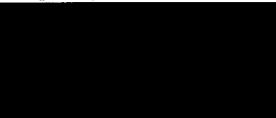
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III. Conclusion (5)-

For the foregoing reasons, the government respectfully submits that there is good cause for the Court to issue orders under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2) extending to July 22, 2011, the time limit for the Court to complete its review of, and issue orders under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3) concerning, DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications and the amendments to their respective predecessor certifications, and that such an extension would be consistent with national security. For DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

Extension, attached herewith. (S//OC,NF)

Respectfully submitted,



National Security Division United States Department of Justice

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APPROVAL

I find that this motion regarding DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

and the amendments to their respective predecessor certifications satisfies the

criteria and requirements set forth in the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978,

as amended, and hereby approve its filing with the United States Foreign Intelligence

Surveillance Court. (S)

Eric H. Holder, Jr. Attorney General of the United States

James M. Cole Deputy Attorney General of the United States

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UNITED STATES

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE COURT

WASHINGTON, D.C.

IN RE DNI/AG 702(g) CERTIFICATION

Docket No.

ORDER

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This matter is before this Court on the motion of the United States for an order under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2) of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, as amended ("the Act"), extending to July 22, 2011, the time limits established by 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(1)(B) and (C) for this Court to complete its review of, and issue orders under

50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3) concerning, DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

In

entertaining the government's motion, this Court has considered the following:

1. DNI/AG 702(g) Certification reauthorizes DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

which expires on August 19, 2011.

Included within DNI/AG 702(g) Certification are amendments to

DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications These amendments

authorize the use of the minimization procedures attached as Exhibits B and E to

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DNI/AG 702(g) Certification in connection with foreign intelligence information acquired in accordance with DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

3. The government submitted DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

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on April 22, 2011.
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4. By operation of 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(1)(B) and (C), this Court is required to complete its review of, and issue orders under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3) concerning, DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to DNI/AG 702(g) Certification by May 22, 2011.

5. Based on the record presently before this Court concerning these matters, this
Court will not be able to complete its review of, and issue orders under 50 U.S.C.
§ 1881a(i)(3) concerning, DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to
DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications before May 22, 2011.

6. The government has asserted that it will be able to supplement the record concerning these matters in a manner that will aid the Court in reviewing DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3). However, the government has represented that it will not be able to supplement the record until after May 22, 2011. 7. 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2) permits this Court, by order for reasons stated, to extend, as necessary for good cause in a manner consistent with national security, the time limit for this Court to issue orders under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3) concerning DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications

8. By operation of 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(5)(B), the authorization in the certification to be reauthorized, DNI/AG 702(g) Certification **Continues** beyond its stated expiration date until this Court issues an order under 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(i)(3) concerning DNI/AG 702(g) Certification

Having given full consideration to these matters and the representations in the government's motion, this Court finds that there is good cause to extend the time limit for its review of DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications beyond May 22, 2011, and that such extension is consistent with national security.

WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the government's motion is

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GRANTED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. § 1881a(j)(2), that the time

limit for this Court to complete its review of, and issue orders under 50 U.S.C.

§ 1881a(i)(3) concerning, DNI/AG 702(g) Certification and the amendments to
DNI/AG 702(g) Certifications	is EXTENDED to July 22,
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Signed	Eastern Time

Date Time

Judge, United States Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court

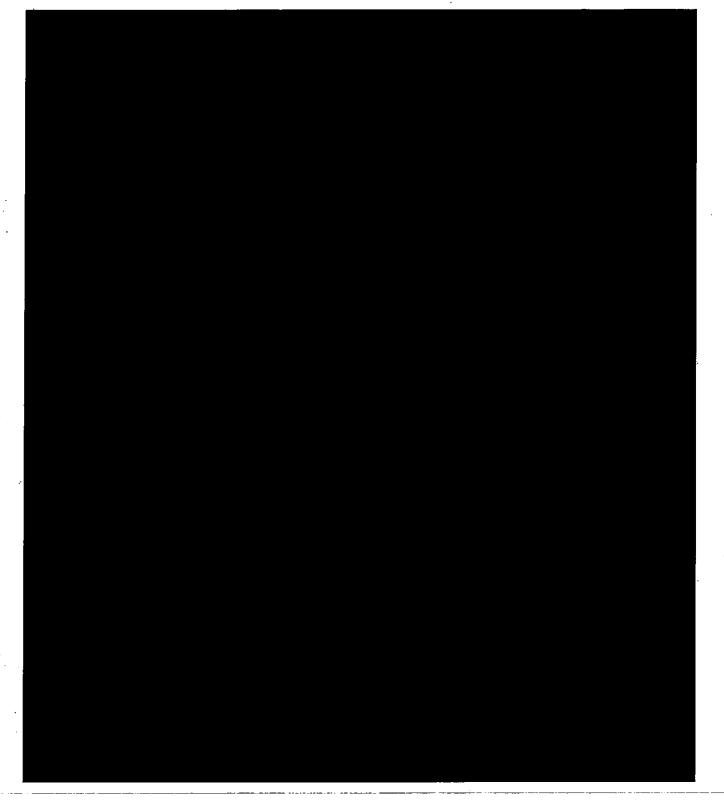
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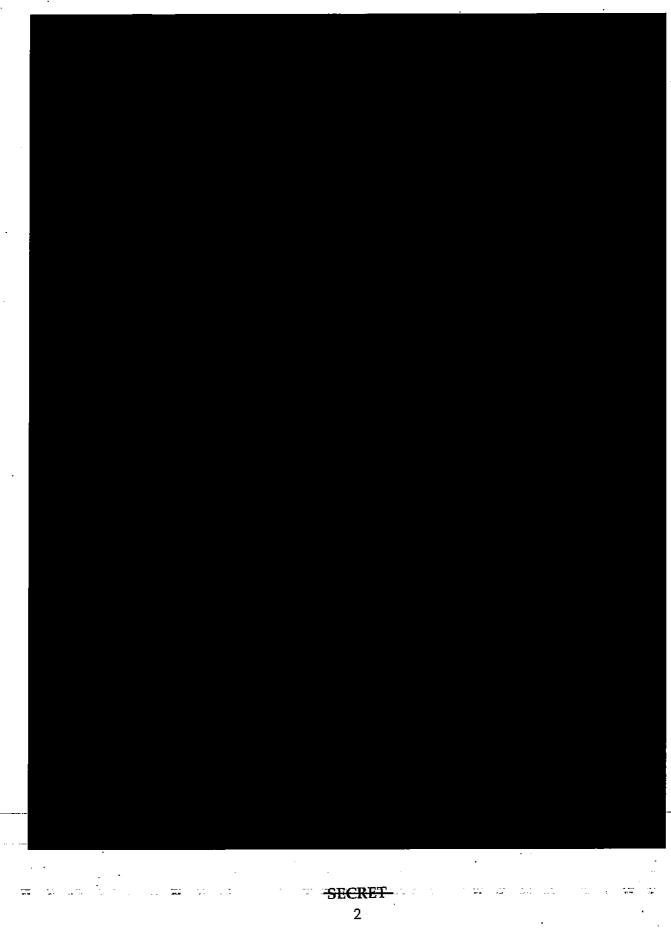
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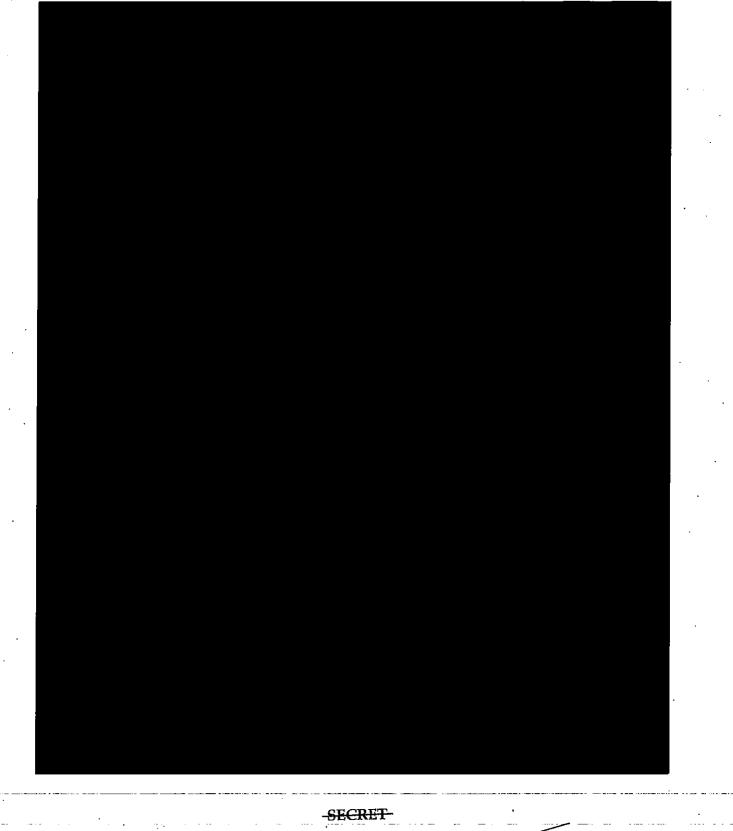
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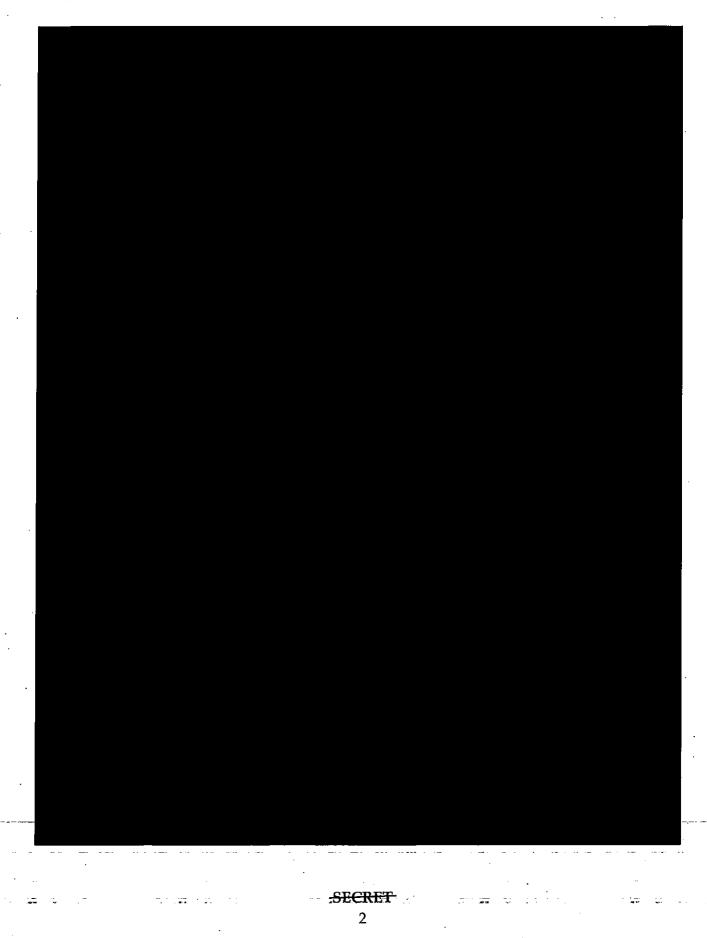
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