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Plaintiffs

v.

JUYEL AHMED, et al.,

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
COMMONWEALTH OF THE)
NORTHERN MARIANA)
ISLANDS,

Defendants

RUI LIANG, et al.,

Plaintiffs

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS,

Defendants

Civil Action No. 00-0005

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

ORDER GRANTING
MOTION OF UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA TO ENLARGE
TIME IN WHICH TO FILE
ANSWER and ALLOWING
COMMONWEALTH OF THE
NORTHERN MARIANA
ISLANDS A LIKE EXTENSION

Civil Action No. 99-0046

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Defendant United States of America today filed a motion for a two-week extension in which to file its answer in this matter. In the interests of conserving the resources of the court and the parties, and for good cause appearing from the declaration of Cindy S. Ferrier, lead counsel for the United States of America,

IT IS ORDERED that defendant United States' motion for an enlargement of time in which to file its answer is granted; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, to keep due dates identical for all defendants, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is also granted an extension of time in which to file its answer;

Accordingly, defendants shall file their answers by 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 27, 2002 (Saipan date and time). After the answers have been filed, the court will issue an order scheduling a case management conference for a date in the first two weeks of January, 2003.

DATED this 25th day of October, 2002.

ALEX R. MUNSON

Judge

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