IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

HIV AND HEPATITIS POLICY INSTITUTE *et al.*,

Civil Action No. 1:22-cv-02604-JDB

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES *et al.*,

Defendants.

MOTION FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME FOR DEFENDANTS TO FILE THEIR REPLY IN FURTHER SUPPORT OF THEIR CROSS-MOTION FOR <u>SUMMARY JUDGMENT</u>

Defendants respectfully move for a further extension of time to file their reply in further support of their cross-motion for summary judgment, from June 7, 2023, to July 7, 2023. The reasons for this motion are set forth further below:

1. Plaintiffs filed their Reply in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment and Opposition to Defendants' Cross-Motion on May 1, 2023 (ECF No. 33). Pursuant to Defendants' prior motion for a sixteen-day extension of time (ECF No. 34) and the Court's Minute Order of May 18, 2023, Defendants' reply in further support of their cross-motion for summary judgment is currently due on or before June 7, 2023.

2. Undersigned counsel for Defendants continues to be very occupied with the personal family medical situation that was the reason for Defendants' prior request for an extension of time. In addition, in the last two weeks, undersigned counsel prepared for and attended a hearing on May 30, 2023, in *Chen v. FBI*, No. 18-cv-3074-CRC (D.D.C.); produced documents on May 18, 2023, and served discovery responses on May 26, 2023, in *Scoville v. U.S. Department of State*, No. 2:22-cv-00091-NJ (E.D. Wisc.); and attended to a variety of other

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litigation matters. Further, undersigned counsel has preplanned personal leave scheduled for June 14-June 28, 2023.

3. For these reasons, Defendants will need additional time to prepare their reply. Defendants request that their due date for their reply be extended from June 7 to July 7, 2023.

4. On June 2, 2023, undersigned counsel conferred via email with counsel for

Plaintiffs, Paul Hughes, who advised that Plaintiffs oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Defendants respectfully move for a further extension of time to file their reply in further support of cross-motion for summary judgment from June 7, 2023, to July 7, 2023. A proposed order is submitted herewith.

Dated: June 5, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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