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12)	No. M:06-CV-01791-VRW
13	IN RE NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY) TELECOMMUNICATIONS RECORDS)	GOVERNMENT DEFENDANTS'
14	LITIGATION	UNOPPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO EXTEND TIME
15	<u>This Document Solely Relates To</u> :	TO SUBMIT REPORT ON
	Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation <u>et al</u> .	DECLASSIFICATION REVIEW
16	v. Obama, <u>et al</u> . (07-CV-109-VRW))	
17		Honorable Vaughn R. Walker
18))	Local Rule 7-11
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21	In its Order of January 5, 2009, the Court directed the Government Defendants to	
22	"review the Sealed Document and their classified submissions to date in this litigation and	
23	determine whether the Sealed Document and/or any of defendants' classified submissions may	
24	be declassified, take all necessary steps to declassify those that they have determined may be	
25	declassified and, no later than forty-five (45) days from the date of this order, serve and file a	
	report of the outcome of that review." See Dkt. 57 at 24-25. The report ordered by the Court is	
26	due today (February 19, 2009). The Government moves unopposed for an extension of time to	
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28	Government Defendants' Unopposed Administrative Motion Declassification Review Al-Haramain et al. v. Obama et al. (0'	

complete its submission to the Court by no later than February 27, 2009.

The declassification review process ordered by the Court began immediately and is near completion. The Government can report today, as we indicated in a filing made on February 11, 2009, that we expect the relevant information at issue in the privilege assertion to remain classified. See Government Defendants' Reply in Support of Motion to Stay Proceedings Pending Appeal and for Certification of Interlocutory Appeal Under 28 U.S.C. § 1292(b) (Dkt. 70) at 13, n.11. The Government anticipated being prepared to file on time, but additional review and consultation is required to complete the forthcoming submission to the Court.

No prejudice will result from the requested extension. Plaintiffs' counsel has advised the undersigned that the plaintiffs do not oppose this motion. In addition, by Order dated February 13, 2009, the Court directed the Government to inform the Court by February 27, 2009, how it intends to comply with the January 5 Order, see Dkt. 71 at 3, and the Government requests that the due date for the declassification report be extended to that date as well.

For the foregoing reasons, the Government respectfully requests that the Court grant a brief extension of time to February 27, 2009, for the Government to submit the declassification review report ordered by the Court on January 5, 2009. A proposed Order is attached hereto.

Dated: February 19, 2009 Respectfully Submitted,

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