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request, see Dkt. 549 in 06-cv-01791.

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After the Court denied the requested deferral of briefing, see Dkt. 558 in 06-cv-

01791, the United States again approached the state officials to suggest a modification of briefing and hearing schedule.

- 4. Consistent with the terms of the minute order that set the April 1, 2009 Hearing, the United States, state officials, and telecommunication carrier defendants in the state cases have reached agreement on and seek the Court's approval of a modified schedule for the state cases and submit this stipulation and proposed order. Under the proposed schedule: (i) the opposition to the United States' motion would be filed by March 20, 2009; (ii) the United States would reply by April 9, 2009; (iii) the telecommunication carrier defendants may respond to the United States' motion and any response thereto by April 9, 2009; and (iv) a sur-reply could be filed by April 23, 2009.
- 5. Under this schedule, the parties ask that the current hearing be reset to May 7, 2009, which is currently indicated as an open hearing date on the Court's website, or as soon thereafter as is convenient for the Court.

STIPULATION

The United States, state officials, and telecommunication carrier defendants, through their undersigned counsel, hereby stipulate to the following schedule, and request that the Court make this stipulation an order of the Court:

| March 20, 2009 | Opposition to the United States' motion for summary judgment in the State Cases | |
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| April 9, 2009 | United States replies in support of its motion | |
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| April 23, 2009 | Sur-reply of the state officials | |
| May 7, 2009 Hearing on the United States' motion | | |

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DECLARATION PURSUANT TO GENERAL ORDER 45, § X.B

I, ALEXANDER K. HAAS, hereby declare pursuant to General Order 45, § X.B, that I have obtained the concurrence in the filing of this document from each of the other signatories listed below.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing declaration is true and correct.

Executed on February 24, 2009, in the City of Washington, District of Columbia.

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[PROPOSED] ORDER

Pursuant to the foregoing stipulation, and good cause appearing, it is hereby ORDERED

that:

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Dated: _____, 2009.

Hon. Vaughn R. Walker United States District Chief Judge