IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Alexandria Division

JANE DOE, et al.,)
Plaintiffs,))
v.)
YUSUF ABDI ALI,)
Defendant.)

1:05-cv-701 (LMB/JFA)

STATEMENT OF INTEREST SUBMITTED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

By letter to the Department of State dated June 21, 2013, this Court invited the views of the Department of State on whether "allowing this litigation to proceed would have any negative effect on the foreign relations of the United States."

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 517,¹ the United States of America notes its appreciation for the

Court's invitation, and advises that it respectfully declines to express views on the subject of the

Court's inquiry. See Letter from Mary E. McLeod to Joseph H. Hunt (copy attached as Exhibit

A).

Dated: September 19, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ 28 U.S.C. § 517 provides that "any officer of the Department of Justice[] may be sent by the Attorney General to any State or district in the United States to attend to the interests of the United States in a suit pending in a court of the United States."

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 19, 2013, I electronically filed the foregoing Statement

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