

No. 16-5202

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**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT**

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UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
*Plaintiff – Appellee,*

v.

THOMAS E. PRICE, M.D., in his official capacity as Secretary of Health and Human Services; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; STEVEN T. MNUCHIN, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Treasury; U.S. Department of the Treasury,  
*Defendants – Appellants.*

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On Appeal from a Final Order of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (No. 1:14-cv-01967) (Hon. Rosemary M. Collyer, U.S. District Judge)

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**JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE ABEYANCE**

On December 5, 2016, this Court issued an order that held this appeal in abeyance and directed the parties to file motions to govern future proceedings on February 21, 2017. The parties submit this joint motion in response to that order.

The parties respectfully move for entry of an order continuing the abeyance period, with status reports due every three months beginning May 22, 2017. The purpose of the abeyance is to allow time for a resolution that would obviate the need for judicial determination of this appeal, including potential legislative action.

Respectfully submitted.

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February 21, 2017

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on February 21, 2017, I filed the foregoing Joint Motion to Continue Abeyance via the Court's CM/ECF system, which I understand caused delivery of a copy to all registered parties.

*/s/ Thomas G. Hungar*