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Ms. Candace G. Hill  
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RE: Case Nos. 12-5226/5582  
*USA v. Cornelius D. Blewett and Jarreous J. Blewitt*

Dear Counsel:

In connection with the prosecution's Petition for Rehearing En Banc, the United States should submit a brief of not more than fifteen (15) pages by June 28, 2013, addressing whether the Blewetts' punishment in this case based on a 100-to-1 ratio of crack to powder cocaine is constitutionally disproportionate in violation of the Eighth Amendment's Cruel and Unusual Punishments Clause. See *Solem v. Helm*, 463 U.S. 277, 290 (1983) (striking down imposition of sentence of life without parole for passing a worthless check because "a criminal sentence must be proportionate to the crime for which the defendant has been convicted"). The Blewetts should also submit a brief of not more than thirty (30) pages in response to the Petition for Rehearing En Banc filed by the United States by June 28, 2013, that includes both their response to the Petition for Rehearing and their argument concerning the Eighth Amendment issue stated above.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Deborah S. Hunt".

Deborah S. Hunt  
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