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COMES NOW, the Office of the Attorney General and through Assistant Attorney General Falai

Taafaki, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 27, respectfully request the Supreme Court of the Republic of
the Marshall Islands to reschedule pre- hearing conference as per Supreme Court Order and Notice filed
May 29, 2018. Affidavit In Support of Motion is attached.

Dated this 1st of June, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT

- That Assistant Attorney General Falai Taafaki and Assistant Attorney General Meuton Laiden, both
 of the Office of the Attorney General were co-prosecutors in the RMI v Alee Phillip, Criminal Case
 Number: 2018-001.
- 2. That sometime in late April 2018 or early May, 2018, the Office of the Attorney General designated the said co-prosecutors to represent the RMI Government in a PILON sponsored Regional Prosecutors Workshop/Seminar in the Kingdom of Tonga for Pacific prosecutors on cybercrime offences relating to child abuse.
- That the confirmed schedule for the workshop in the Kingdom of Tong runs from June 12 to June 15, 2018.

- That the RMI co-prosecutors are scheduled to return to Fiji from Tonga on June 16, leaving for Hawaii on June 17, 2018 and arriving in Hawaii on June 18.
- 5. That in view of this itinerary, co-prosecutor Falai Taafaki advised his family contact in Hawaii to schedule and confirm his medical appointments for the week of June 18, 2018 as advised by the medical doctor/physician in order to follow-up lab tests analysis which took at Straub Hospital on April 18 and 19, 2018.
- That confirmation of medical reservations by RMI patients and meeting their deadlines often
 impose difficulties because of the logistic constraints in travelling to the Hawaii hospitals from
 Majuro.
- 7. That, additionally, the RMI holds currently the PILON chair this year, and is among the more than 10 Pacific island states which are members of the PILON- Pacific Island Law Officers Network-in close collaboration with New Zealand and Australia's Office of the Attorney General.
- 8. That after receipt of Supreme Court Order and Notice Filed on May 29, 2018, the Office of the Attorney General informed PILON Secretariat of the possible conflict in the dates between the scheduled return of the prosecutors and June 20th 2018 scheduled by the Supreme Court.
- That due to the potential conflict in dates, the Office through prosecutor Falai Taafaki advised
 PILON Secretariat that he would not be able to attend the Cybercrime Workshop in Tonga.
- 10. That the Office has since received strong request from PILON Secretariat urging the RMI participation as well the fact that confirmed air-fares and hotel accommodations were neither transferrable nor reimbursable.
- That co-prosecutors Falai Taafaki and Meuton Laiden are the attorneys most familiar with issues that relate to the record on appeal in this case.
- 12. That I testify that the aforegoing is true to the best of my knowledge.

In consideration of the above, the undersigned humbly request the Supreme Court to reschedule the prehearing conference as per Order and Notice Filed May 29, 2018. Dated this 1st day of June, 2018.

Respectfully submitted

Falai Taafaki

Assistant Attorney General