UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

MICHAEL RABBITT, KATHERINE MARIE ABUGHAZALEH, ANDRE MARTIN, CATHERINE SHARP, BRIAN STRAW, and JOSELYN WALSH

**UNDER SEAL**

No. 25 CR 00693

Judge April M. Perry

**RESTRICTED DOCUMENT PURSANT TO LR26.2**

Enclosed is the following Under Seal document:

Government's Motion to Unseal Indictment

Respectfully submitted,

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**GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO UNSEAL INDICTMENT**

The UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by ANDREW S. BOUTROS, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, hereby moves this Court to unseal the indictment in this case. In support of this motion, the government states as follows:

1. The grand jury returned a sealed indictment in this case on October 23, 2025.

2. The government requested that the indictment be sealed until all defendants were located and notified.

3. All defendants have now been notified will be self-surrendering in lieu of their arrest. Their initial appearance is scheduled for Wednesday, November 5 at 3 pm before Magistrate Judge Heather K. McShain.

4. Given that all six defendants are now aware of the indictment, there is no good reason to keep the indictment under seal.

WHEREFORE, the government respectfully requests that this Court unseal the indictment in this case.

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