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Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Room TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of the Catholic, Apostolic and Roman Church in Puerto Rico, Archdiocese of San Juan, licensee of TV broadcast station WORO-DT, San Juan, Puerto, this is to request Special Temporary Authority (STA) pursuant to Section 73.1635(a) of the Commission's Rules, to remain silent for an initial period not to exceed 180 days. It is currently anticipated that additional requests to extend the STA will be necessary.

The reason for this request is that due to the effects of Hurricane Maria, the WORO-DT antenna and tower were destroyed. The station has been off the air since September 20, 2017. Every effort is being made to replace that antenna and tower but due to the fact that that Puerto Rico has not fully recovered from the disastrous effects of the hurricane, the effort has been greatly impeded. The emergency nature of the station's loss obviated the licensee's ability to give the FCC ten days prior notice.

On February 5, 2018, the undersigned first submitted a request for an STA to permit WORO-DT to remain silent. On or about February 20, 2018, after receiving an FCC Form 159 Remittance Advice from the undersigned in an attempt to pay the filing fee, the FCC rejected the credit card payment because the Form was not accompanied by a transmittal letter. The request for the STA and payment of the filing fee are being submitted again in hopes of accomplishing a successful filing.

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Any questions regarding this matter should be addressed to the undersigned, as FCC counsel for the Archdiocese. Telephone communications with Puerto Rico remain unreliable and sporadic. Every effort will be made by the undersigned to relay any FCC requests to the appropriate staff member of the station.

The Archdiocese has authorized the undersigned, pursuant to Section 1.2002 of the Commission's rules, that neither the applicant nor any party to this application is subject to a denial of federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862.

Respectfully submitted,


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Juan