

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CASE NO.: 8:03-CR-77-T-30-TBM

SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN, et al.

**RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES TO
MOTION OF MEDIA GENERAL OPERATIONS, INC.,
FOR ACCESS TO SEALED RECORDS**

The United States of America by Paul I. Perez, United States Attorney, Middle District of Florida, hereby responds to the motion filed by Media General Operations, Inc., for access to sealed records. Doc. 1578. In this pleading, Media General Operations asks that several sealed documents filed May 9-10, 2006, (S-55 through S-59) be reviewed and possibly unsealed because the documents "do not appear to have been presented with any public explanation of the reasons for closure." Doc. 1578 at 2.

The United States has determined that none of the documents identified by Media General Operations were filed by the United States. The United States notes, however, that counsel for defendant Hatem Naji Fariz has filed a response in opposition

to Media General Operations pleading. See Doc. 1586. Therefore, the United States defers to the sound discretion of this Court in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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