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Via E-filing and Hand Delivery

Marnique Y. Heath, Chairperson Board of Zoning Adjustment 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 210S Washington, DC 20001

> Re: FMBZA No. 19301; Application of The Republic of The Gambia to Establish a Chancery at 5630 16th Street, N.W.

Dear Ms. Heath and Members of the Board:

The Republic of The Gambia (the "Applicant") submits the attached, updated Statement of Compliance and Intended Use in support of the referenced application for review and approval of a proposed chancery use at 5630 16th Street, N.W., Square 2721W, Lot 27, (the "Property").

There are no significant changes in our submission since the original filing except that an iron fence is being constructed around the Property pursuant to the attached plan and permit. Further, the Embassy has been in consultation with ANC 4A and they have negotiated and agreed to all of the conditions set forth in the ANC's report in support of the Application. Finally, in response to community concerns about ensuring that the Property be kept in good repair even in the event of a fire or other calamity, the Applicant has agreed to submit to binding arbitration should a dispute arise with respect to the condition of the Property.

Ambassador Sheikh Omar Faye will be available at the upcoming hearing on July 12th to make a statement in support of the application and to answer any questions.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Attachments CAG/lm

cc: Clifford Seagroves, Office of Foreign Missions Karen Thomas, Office of Planning Dave Wilson, ANC 4A Sixteenth Street Heights Civic Association