

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DEUTSCHE TELEKOM AG, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-02232-TJK

**RESPONSE OF PLAINTIFF THE UNITED STATES TO
MOTIONS FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEFS *AMICUS CURIAE***

In response to the Court's Minute Order of January 27, 2020, noting that certain motions for leave to file *amicus* briefs in this action did not reflect the positions of the parties, the United States responds that as a general matter, the Antitrust Division does not oppose *amicus* briefs in the district courts. The Court has broad discretion to determine the participation of *amici curiae*. *National Ass'n of Home Builders v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*, 519 F. Supp. 2d 89, 93 (D.D.C. 2007).

However, given that the two-week deadline for such briefs set by the Court's Minute Order of January 10, 2020, has already passed, the United States respectfully suggests that the Court order any proposed *amicus* who filed its motion for leave by the Court's January 24, 2020, deadline but did not file an accompanying brief to file its brief promptly, and in any event by January 30, 2020.

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Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on January 29, 2020, I caused a copy of the foregoing Response of Plaintiff the United States to Motions for Leave to File Briefs *Amicus Curiae* to be served by ECF on all counsel who have appeared in this matter, and by electronic mail on counsel for *amici curiae*, as follows:

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