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IN RE MOTION FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF GOOGLE INC.'S FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT TO PUBLISH AGGREGATE INFORMATION ABOUT FISA ORDERS.

Docket No. Misc. 13-03

IN RE MOTION TO DISCLOSE AGGREGATE DATA REGARDING FISA ORDERS

Docket No. Misc. 13-04

MOTION OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT COALITION, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY AND TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRONIC FRONTIER FOUNDATION, AND TECHFREEDOM FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF AS AMICI CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTIONS FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT

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The First Amendment Coalition, American Civil Liberties Union, Center for Democracy and Technology, Electronic Frontier Foundation, and TechFreedom (together, "Movants") are public interest organizations dedicated to the preservation of civil liberties. They respectfully submit this motion for leave to file a brief as *amici curiae* in support of the motions filed by Google, Inc. ("Google") and Microsoft Corporation ("Microsoft") seeking declaratory judgments confirming the ability of those parties to disclose limited aggregate numerical information relating to requests that each may have received from the government pursuant to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act ("FISA"). *See In re Motion for Declaratory Judgment of Google Inc.'s First Amendment Right to Publish Aggregate Information About FISA Orders*, No. Misc. 13-03 (June 18, 2013); *In re Motion to Disclose Aggregate Data Regarding FISA Orders*, No. Misc. 13-04 (June 19, 2013).

Amici are not aware of any specific prohibition on such disclosure, but the thrust of the proposed brief *amici curiae* is to emphasize that any effort to restrict the disclosure in question must overcome an extraordinarily strong First Amendment interest flowing from the nature of the speech here, speech which lies at the core of the constitutional protection for free expression.

Counsel for the United States and for Google and Microsoft have consented to the filing of the brief *amici curiae*.

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I, Dean Ringel, hereby certify that on this day, July 8, 2013, pursuant to Rule 8(a) of the Rules of Procedure for the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, I caused to be served two copies of the foregoing motion, together with three copies of the accompanying brief *amici curiae*, on the following person by hand delivery:

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