October 31, 2015

Molly C. Dwyer
Clerk of the Court
United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
95 Seventh Street

Re: The Republic of the Marshall Islands v. The United States of America et. al., Case No. 1515636

To Molly C. Dwyer, Clerk of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit:

On July 22, 2015, Physicians for Social Responsibility; International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War; and Pax Christi (PSR/IPPNW/Pax Christi) filed an amicus brief in support of Appellant with the consent of all the parties.

Pursuant to the Ninth Circuit Advisory Committee Note to Ninth Circuit Rule 291, Veterans For Peace, Inc., hereby joins the arguments and factual statements made in the amicus brief filed in the above referenced actions by PSR/IPPNW/Pax Christi.

Veterans For Peace (VFP) was organized in 1985, as a 501(c)3 educational nonprofit corporation. VFP not only has chapters and members throughout the United States, but in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Mexico, Vietnam, South Korea, Canada, Australia and Okinawa. Since 1991, VFP has been and continues to be the only veterans organization recognized and represented as a nongovernmental organization (NGO) at the United Nations and holds a permanent seat at the United Nations. As veterans who have dutifully served our nation in all wars and conflicts from World War II up to and including our current wars in the Middle East, we believe we have a greater duty to serve the cause of world peace. Our mission is to (1) increase public awareness of the total costs of war; (2) restrain our government from intervening overtly or covertly in the internal affairs of other nations; (3) end the arms race, reduce and ultimately eliminate nuclear weapons; (4) seek justice for veterans and victims of war; and (5) abolish war as an instrument of foreign and national policy. We seek these goals through nonviolent means for the greatest of causes world peace.