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Mr. Thomas K. Kahn
Clerk of Court
United States Court of Appeals
for the Eleventh Circuit
56 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303

Re: Greenberg v. National Geographic Society, et al.,

Docket No. 00-10510

Amendment to Petition for Rehearing En Banc

Dear Mr. Kahn:

We received on Monday, April 30, the "corrected opinion" in the above-captioned case. Because this corrected opinion addresses one of the questions raised in our petition for rehearing (Question Number 3 concerning the award of attorneys' fees) and the error concerning entry of judgment for the plaintiffs pointed out at page 14, footnote 3, of the petition, we wish to notify the entire *en banc* court that we respectfully withdraw Question Number 3 (pp. 13-14) and that portion of the brief concerning entry of judgment for the plaintiffs (p. 14, note 3).

In addition to the merits of our petition relating to Section 201(c) of the Copyright Act (addressed in Question 1 of our petition), the corrected opinion fails to correct the accusation of "fraud" on the Copyright Office by National Geographic at footnote 13 of the opinion, which is addressed in Question 2 of our petition. We have today received a letter from the General Counsel of the Copyright Office of the United States, David Carson, bearing directly on the appropriateness of the registration filed by the National Geographic Society in the application process with the Copyright Office.

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We respectfully request that you provide this letter to all of the active judges considering the petition and the attached letter from the Copyright Office of the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Norman Davis, Esq.