IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA c/o Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530, Plaintiff, v. WILLIAM H. GATES III, One Microsoft Way Redmond, WA 98052, Defendant.	Civil Action No.

STIPULATION

It is stipulated by and between the undersigned parties, by their respective attorneys, that:

(1) the parties consent that the Court may file and enter a Final Judgment in the form attached to this Stipulation, on the Court's own motion or on the motion of any party at any time, and without further notice to any party or other proceedings, if Plaintiff has not withdrawn its consent, which it may do at any time before the entry of judgment by serving notice of its withdrawal on Defendant William H. Gates III and filing that notice with the Court;

(2) Defendant William H. Gates III waives any objection to venue or jurisdiction for purposes of this Final Judgment and authorize James Weiss of Preston Gates Ellis & Rouvelas Meeds L.L.P. to accept service of all process in this matter on his behalf; and

(3) in the event Plaintiff withdraws its consent or if the proposed Final Judgment is not entered pursuant to this Stipulation, this Stipulation shall be of no effect whatever and the making of this Stipulation shall be without prejudice to any party in this or any other proceeding.

Dated: 2/2/04

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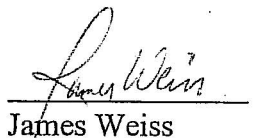

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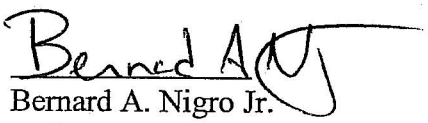

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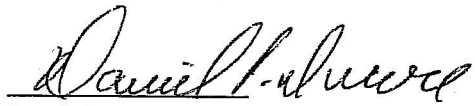

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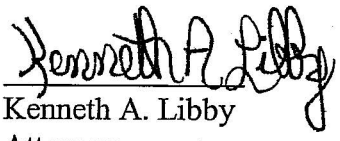

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