

**IN THE MATTER** of the Extradition Act 1999

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of a request for the  
surrender of **KIM DOTCOM** to the **UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA**

**NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 18(1) AND 23(4) OF THE EXTRADITION ACT 1999**

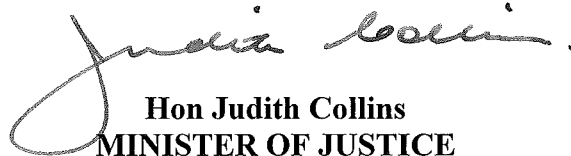
**Whereas**

- 1 On 1 September 1999 the Extradition Act 1999 (the Act) came into force;
- 2 Part 3 of the Act applies to the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** by virtue of it being party to the Treaty on Extradition between New Zealand and the United States of America 1970 (the Treaty);
- 3 On 18 January 2012 the North Shore District Court issued a provisional warrant for the arrest of **KIM DOTCOM** pursuant to section 20 of the Act and Article XI of the Treaty;
- 4 On 1 March 2012 a formal request from the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** for the surrender of **KIM DOTCOM** was transmitted to the Minister of Justice in accordance with section 18 of the Act;
- 5 Section 23(4)(a) of the Act provides that the hearing of the proceedings must not proceed until the court receives from the Minister of Justice a notice in writing stating that a request for the surrender of the person has been transmitted to the Minister under section 18.



**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to section 18(1) and section 23(4) of the Extradition Act 1999, I hereby notify the North Shore District Court that a request for the surrender of **KIM DOTCOM** to the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** has been transmitted to me by the authorities of the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

DATED at Wellington this *1st* day of *March* 2012

  
**Hon Judith Collins**  
**MINISTER OF JUSTICE**