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Honorable Ann M. Donnelly
Eastern District of New York
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Re: *Arizmendi v. Noem, et al.*, No. 25-cv-7056 (AMD)

Dear Judge Donnelly:

This Office represents Respondents ("Government") in the above-matter. The Government writes, with the consent of Petitioner, to respectfully request that the Court: (1) refer this matter to a Magistrate Judge for the purpose of scheduling a settlement conference to resolve Petitioner's fees; and (2) adjourn all briefing deadlines pending the outcome of the settlement conference.

The reason for the instant request is that the Parties began to engage in negotiations with regard to Petitioner's fee application. A settlement conference could help the Parties potentially reach an agreement; adjourning briefing will allow the Parties to focus their efforts on finding a potential resolution.

Thank you for the Court's time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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