

United States District Court
Western District of Texas
El Paso Division

ESMAEL RAJABI,
Petitioner,

v.

PAM BONDI, *et al.*,
Respondents.

No. EP-26-CV-130-KC

Federal Respondents' Status Report

Pursuant to this court's order issued on February 4, 2026, ECF No. 7, Respondents file this court notice to supplement the record on removal efforts. Respondents are still working to obtain travel documents for Petitioner. *See* Ex. A (ERO Declaration) at ¶¶ 7-8. Respondents contacted HQ RIO regarding the status of Petitioner's travel documents. *Id.* at ¶ 7. HQ RIO indicated they are still working within Iran to verify citizenship and obtain travel documents, and that Petitioner's case will be raised to a higher priority. *Id.* at ¶ 7. On February 11, 2026, ERO El Paso again reached out to HQ RIO for a follow up on the status of travel documents and is awaiting a response. *Id.* at ¶ 8. Respondents cannot anticipate a timeline for issuance of the travel documents at this time but are following up on their request every two weeks. *Id.* at ¶ 10.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 11, 2026, I caused the Federal Respondents' Status Report (Dkt. 8), and attached exhibit ERO Declaration (Dkt. 8-1), to be served on Petitioner, Esmael Rajabi, by sending copies via certified U.S. mail as follows:

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