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Honorable Eric R. Komitee
United States District Court
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: *Garcia Santos v. Joyce, et al.*
Civil Action No. 26-cv-1396 (Komitee, J.)

Dear Judge Komitee:

This Office represents Respondents U.S. Attorney General Pamela Bondi, U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") Secretary Kristi Noem, U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") New York Field Office Director William Joyce, and the Executive Office for Immigration Review (collectively, "Respondents") in the above referenced action. After conferring with counsel for Petitioner, Respondents respectfully submit, in accordance with the Court's Order to Show Cause dated March 11, 2026, a status report regarding the outcome of Petitioner's bond hearing that was held on March 20, 2026. *Cf.* ECF No. 9 (notifying the Court that Petitioner was scheduled for a bond hearing).

The bond hearing went forward as scheduled, and an immigration judge granted Petitioner's request for custody redetermination. Accordingly, Petitioner was ordered released from custody under bond of $8,000. A copy of the Order of the Immigration Judge memorializing the outcome of the bond hearing is attached to this status report as Exhibit A. Petitioner waived appeal and DHS reserved appeal. *See* Ex. A.

Petitioner's counsel represents that Petitioner's daughter attempted to post bond on March 20, 2026. The undersigned has been advised by ICE that a bond typically takes two business days to process before a detainee can be released from custody.

Accordingly, the parties respectfully propose submitting a supplemental status report to the Court by Friday, March 27, 2026 as to Petitioner's release status.

The parties thank the Court for its consideration of this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

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