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

Re: ***Catalan Catalan v. Noem, et al.***
Civil Action No. 26-cv-1680 (Komitee, J.)

Dear Judge Komitee:

This Office represents the Respondents in this habeas action, in which Petitioner Edwin Jeovanny Catalan Catalan ("Petitioner") challenges his detention by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE").

Pursuant to the Court's March 20, 2026 Order to Show Cause ("OSC"), the government confirms that the central legal issue in this case concerns ICE's statutory detention authority, which this Court has addressed in *Sarmiento Guerrero v. Noem,* 25cv5881 (EK), 2025 WL 3214787 (E.D.N.Y. November 18, 2025). While Respondents respectfully disagree with the Court's prior rulings on this issue, Respondents acknowledge that this case would be decided in Petitioner's favor if the Court adheres to its prior statutory interpretation.

Therefore, the government writes to respectfully advise the Court that pursuant to the OSC, ICE has scheduled a bond hearing for Petitioner to take place on April 1, 2026.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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