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10 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

11 **SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

12 TRESOR TIDO-NGOUMTSOP,
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14 Petitioner,
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16 v.
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18 WARDEN, OTAY MESA DETENTION
19 CENTER, *et al.*,
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21 Respondents.
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Case No.: 26-cv-02913-LL-VET

**RETURN TO PETITION FOR A
WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS**

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2 Petitioner has filed a habeas petition under 28 U.S.C. § 2241. The government has
3 carefully reviewed this petition and determined that the legal issues presented concern the
4 statutory authority for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) detention of
5 Petitioner under 8 U.S.C. §§ 1225(b)(2)(A) or 1226(a). While reserving all rights, including
6 the right to appeal, the government respectfully submits this abbreviated response to
7 preserve the legal issues, to conserve judicial and party resources, and to expedite the
8 Court's consideration of this matter.

9 Petitioner was previously released from immigration custody on conditional parole
10 issued under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a). It is the government's position that Petitioner is subject
11 to mandatory detention under § 1225(b)(2). However, the government acknowledges that
12 this Court, and Courts in this District, have repeatedly reached the opposite conclusion
13 under the same and/or similar facts. *See, e.g., Arias Torres v. Bondi*, No. 25-cv-2457-BAS-
14 MSB, 2025 WL 3214773 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 18, 2025); *Martinez Lopez v. LaRose*, No. 25-
15 cv-2717-JES-AHG, 2025 WL 3030457 (S.D. Cal. Oct. 30, 2025); *Beltran v. Noem*, No.
16 25cv2650-LL-DEB, 2025 WL 3078837 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 4, 2025); *Garcia v. Noem*, 803 F.
17 Supp. 3d 1064 (S.D. Cal. 2025); *Esquivel-Ipina v. LaRose*, No. 25-CV-2672 JLS (BLM),
18 2025 WL 2998361 (S.D. Cal. Oct. 24, 2025); *Lucas-Miguel v. LaRose*, No. 25-cv-3022-
19 RSH-JLB, 2025 WL 3251580 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 21, 2025); *Vasquez-Diaz v. LaRose*, No. 25-
20 cv-3038-TWR-JLB, ECF No. 6 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 13, 2025); *Cardoso v. LaRose*, No. 25-cv-
21 3043-BJC-VET, ECF No. 7 (S.D. Cal. Dec. 12, 2025); *Maceda-Garcia v. Noem*, No. 25-
22 cv-2968-JO-JLB, ECF No. 9 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 13, 2025); *A.S. v. LaRose*, No. 25-cv-2876-
23 RBM-VET, ECF No. 9 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 19, 2025); *Prieto-Cordova v. LaRose*, No. 25-cv-
24 2824-CAB-DDL, 2025 WL 3228953 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 19, 2025); *Lagarda-Vega v. Noem*,
25 No. 25-cv-2970-GPC-DDL, 2025 WL 3558931 (S.D. Cal. Dec. 11, 2025); *Nayyer v.*
26 *LaRose*, No. 25-cv-3111-AGS-DDL, ECF No. 7 (S.D. Cal. Dec. 12, 2025); *Amaya v.*
27 *Noem*, No. 25cv2892-BTM-DEB, 2025 WL 3182998 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 13, 2025).

1 The government acknowledges that this Court's prior decisions will control the
2 result here if the Court adheres to its prior decisions, as the facts are not materially
3 distinguishable for purposes of the Court's decision, and on that basis the government does
4 not oppose the petition and defers to the Court on the appropriate relief.¹

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Respectfully submitted,

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26 ¹ To the extent the Court issues an order directing a bond hearing under 1226(a),
27 considering heavy caseloads and staffing levels, Respondents respectfully request that
28 such order provide the government 14 days from issuance to hold such bond hearing.