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By ECF

The Honorable Dale E. Ho United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: J.M.P. v. Arteta et al, 25-cv-04987

Dear Judge Ho,

We represent Petitioner J.M.P. in the above-captioned habeas corpus action. We write to clarify and correct statements made in the Petition (ECF No. 1), in light of information we recently received after the filing of the Petition.

Paragraph 26 of the Petition states: "Upon waking up in the hospital, police arrested [Petitioner] and accused him of being a gang member. The police ultimately charged him with homicide. . . . A judge dismissed the homicide charges against J.M.P. but instead of being released, he was sent to a juvenile rehabilitation facility, Sendero de Libertad, based on missing supervision appointments for a prior minor offense." (ECF No. 1 ¶ 26; see also id. ¶ 30 ("... the homicide charge against [Petitioner] had been dismissed in El Salvador.")

Those statements must be clarified and corrected. When Petitioner was 14 years old, he was charged with attempted aggravated homicide, resisting arrest, and gang affiliation. The alleged incident leading to these charges was a group of young people exchanging gun fire with two police officers. No one was injured. Petitioner was tried as a minor and was found guilty of attempted aggravated homicide and resisting arrest; the gang affiliation charge was dismissed. He received a sentence of one and a half years and served 14 months at a juvenile rehabilitation facility, Sendero de Libertad.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this letter.

Sincerely,

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