

United States District Court  
Western District of Texas  
Austin Division

Cesar Portugues Sanchez,  
Petitioner,

v.

Kristi Noem, Secretary of the United States  
Department of Homeland Security, *et al.*,  
Respondents.

No. 1:25-CV-02010-ADA-ML

**Federal Respondents' Status Report**

Pursuant to this court's text order issued on January 12, 2026, ordering Petitioner's release from custody, Respondents file this status report. On January 13, 2026, the Petitioner was released from custody as ordered by this court.

Respectfully submitted,

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