

District Judge Thomas S. Zilly

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

LUIS ALBERTO SARAS CATANO,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION AND
CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT FIELD OFFICE
DIRECTOR,

Respondent.

Case No. 2:25-cv-02630-TSZ

RESPONDENT'S SECOND
STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to this Court's Order (Dkt. No. 14), Respondent submits this status report addressing the questions posed by this Court.

First, this Court asked whether the Board of Immigration Appeals ("BIA") issued a decision concerning Petitioner's challenge to the order designating Venezuela as the country of removal and Columbia as an alternative. Order. The BIA has not issued a decision regarding the challenge to the country of removal. On February 17, 2026, the BIA issued an order stating that Petitioner had withdrawn his appeal and there was nothing pending before the BIA anymore. Lambert Decl., Ex. A, BIA Order.

1 **Second**, this Court asked if and when the order of removal became final. Order. The order
2 of removal became final on February 27, 2026.

3 **Third**, this Court asked whether Petitioner had been removed from the United States and
4 to which country. Order. ICE removed Petitioner from the United States to Venezuela on April
5 6, 2026. Leyba Decl., ¶ 3.

6 **Fourth**, this Court asked whether any issue remains for determination in this litigation.
7 Due to his removal, Petitioner is no longer in immigration detention. Accordingly, this case is
8 moot. *Abdala v. INS*, 488 F.3d 1061, 1065 (9th Cir. 2007). This case should be dismissed. *Foster*
9 *v. Carson*, 346 F.3d 742, 745 (9th Cir. 2003) (court lacks jurisdiction to hear claims that are moot).

10 DATED this 10th day of April, 2026.

11 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington and of such age and discretion as to be competent to serve papers;

I further certify that on this date, I electronically filed the foregoing, Declaration of Deportation Officer Adrian Leyba and the Declaration of Michelle R. Lambert with the Supporting Exhibit A, with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notice of such filing to the following CM/ECF participant(s):

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I further certify that on this date, I arranged for service of the foregoing on the following non-CM/ECF participant, via Certified Mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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DATED this 10th day of April, 2026.

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