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VIA ECF

The Honorable Jerry W. Blackwell
United States District Judge
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RE: *Tot-Choc v. Bondi, et al.*
Civil Case Number: 26-cv-00167-JWB-JFD

Dear Judge Blackwell:

This letter is to inform you that Mr. Tot-Choc was released from the Department of Homeland Security's custody today at approximately 4:30 p.m. Below are the details:

- On January 27, 2026, Tickets were booked for the Petitioner to return to Minneapolis MN from El Paso TX, with connection a through Denver Co, through United Airline, with the departing time was at 2:33 p.m. and the arriving time was at 9:31 p.m.
- On the night of January 27, 2026, at around 10:30 p.m., the undersigned counsel checked ICE systems and noticed that Petitioner was denied boarding by the airline.
- On January 28, 2026, new tickets were booked for the Petitioner to return to Minneapolis MN from El Paso TX, with a connection through Denver Co, through Southwest Airline, with the departing time was 7:30 a.m. and arriving time was 1:50 p.m.
- The Petitioners subsequently was released from custody at the Bishop Henry Whipple Building, Minnesota at around 4:30 p.m.

We greatly appreciate your patience in this matter.

Sincerely,

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