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**Via ECF**

Hon. Christine P. O'Hearn, U.S.D.J.  
United States District Court  
Mitchell H. Cohen Building & U.S. Courthouse  
4th & Cooper Streets  
Camden, NJ 08101

**Re: *Kumar v. Soto, et al.*, No. 26-00203  
Petitioner's Release**

Dear Judge O'Hearn:

This Office represents Respondents in the above-referenced habeas matter. We write in response to the Court's January 14, 2026, Order (ECF No. 12) granting the immediate release of Petitioner. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement informs us that it released Petitioner on January 14 at 5:30 p.m. under the same conditions that existed prior to his re-detention.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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