

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

GLADIS EUGENIA ALVAREZ DE LEON DE XEC

Civ. No. DLB-26-277

Petitioner,

v.

WARDEN, BALTIMORE ICE DETENTION, et al.

Respondents

STATUS REPORT

Petitioner, by and through her undersigned counsel, submits this Status Report pursuant to this Honorable Court's Order and state as follows:

1. On January 29, 2026, Petitioner filed a Request for Bond Redetermination before the Immigration Court. A bond hearing was held on February 05, 2026.
2. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Immigration Judge ("IJ") found that Petitioner is not a danger to the community and not a flight risk. The IJ further stated that the Court would have set bond in the amount of \$10,000.
3. Nevertheless, the IJ denied bond on the ground that the Immigration Court lacks jurisdiction. IJ's order is attached herewith.
4. The IJ explained that Petitioner was initially placed in expedited removal proceedings under INA § 235, established a credible fear of persecution, and was thereafter transferred to removal proceedings under INA § 240.
5. The IJ cited INA § 235(b)(1)(B)(ii), as well as *Jennings v. Rodriguez*, *Matter of M-S-*, and *Matter of Q Li*, in support of the conclusion that an individual in

this procedural posture is detained under § 235 and is not eligible for bond under INA § 236(a).

6. Petitioner remains detained despite the Immigration Court's findings that she is neither a danger nor a flight risk.
7. Petitioner requests that this Honorable Court issue an order for her immediate release from custody.

Petitioner respectfully submits this Status Report in compliance with this Court's Order.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 11th day of February , 2026, a copy of Status Report was served electronically on all parties and counsel receiving service via CM/ECF in this case.

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