

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA
Civil No. 26-cv-01063-DMT-DJF

CARLOS ALEXANDER QUISHPE
TACO,

Petitioner,

v.

PAMELA BONDI, *et al.*,

Respondents.

**FEDERAL RESPONDENTS’
RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR
WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS**

Petitioner filed this petition for a writ of habeas corpus to secure a bond hearing in connection with Petitioner’s detention by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. This petition raises legal and factual issues similar to those in prior habeas petitions this Court has decided. Those issues are currently before the Eighth Circuit on expedited review in *Avila v. Bondi*, No. 25-3248 (8th Cir. docketed Nov. 10, 2025). For purposes of expediting these proceedings, the Federal Respondents assert all arguments raised by the government in *Avila*, preserve those arguments for any appeal in this case, and respectfully request that the Court deny Petitioner’s habeas petition. Additionally, Federal Respondents draw the Court’s attention to the recent 5th Circuit decision of *Buenrostro-Mendez v. Bondi et. al.*, 2026 WL 323330 (S.D. TX Feb., 6 2026), where the appeals court sided with the Government’s interpretation of § 1225, after taking into consideration, “the relevant provisions and structure of the Immigration and Naturalization Act, the statutory history, and Congressional intent.” Respondents concede that this authority is persuasive, rather than controlling, but highlight it as an example of another Court siding with the Government’s statutory interpretation.

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