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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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12 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

13 DENNIS JOSUE CRUZ RODRIGUEZ,

14 Petitioner,

15 v.

16 KRISTI NOEM, *et al.*,

17 Respondents.
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Case No.: 3:26-cv-02340-AGS-SBC

20 **RESPONSE TO PETITION**

21 Based upon the allegations set forth in the Petition, Petitioner appears to be a member
22 of the Bond Eligible Class certified in *Maldonado Bautista v. Santacruz*, No. 5:25-CV-
23 01873-SSS-BFM, --- F. Supp. 3d ---, 2025 WL 3288403 (C.D. Cal. Nov. 25, 2025). The
24 Ninth Circuit later stayed application of the Order beyond the Central District of California.
25 However, Respondents acknowledges prior orders from this District directing bond
26 hearings pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a) in similar cases.¹ *See, e.g., Trujillo v. Noem*, No.

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28 ¹ To the extent the Court issues an order directing a bond hearing under 1226(a),
considering heavy caseloads and staffing levels, Respondents respectfully request that such

1 26-cv-00268-BAS-VET, 2026 WL 266496, at *2 (S.D. Cal. February 2, 2026).
2 Respondents therefore do not oppose an order from this Court directing a bond hearing be
3 held pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a).

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28 order provide the government 14 days from issuance to hold such bond hearing.