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11 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
12 **SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

13 RUDY PEREZ,
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15 Petitioner,
16 v.
17 MARKWAYNE MULLIN, Secretary of
18 the Department of Homeland Security; et
19 al.,
20 Respondents.

Case No.: 26-cv-0236-CAB-JLB
RESPONSE TO PETITION

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23 Respondents, by and through counsel, hereby respond to the Petition for Writ of
24 Habeas Corpus. Undersigned counsel is unable to ascertain sufficient facts at this time to
25 establish that there is a significant likelihood of removal in the reasonably foreseeable
26 future. *See Zadvydas v. Davis*, 533 U.S. 678 (2001). Respondents therefore acknowledge
27 that Petitioner is entitled to be released from custody subject to conditions of supervision.
28 *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1231(a)(3); 8 C.F.R. § 241.13(h)(1); *Ba v. Lyons*, No. 25-cv-2871-CAB-

1 BJW, 2026 WL 218936, at *1 (S.D. Cal. Jan. 27, 2026) (“The habeas statute does not
2 empower courts to manage ICE supervision programs.”) (citing 28 U.S.C. § 2241(c)(3));
3 *Khachikian v. Casey*, No. 25-cv-3737-GPC-JLB, ECF No. 13 (S.D. Cal. Jan. 13, 2026)
4 (“Ultimately, ICE has discretion to impose conditions on release.”).

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