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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

WAAD SALAM ALKHAFAJI, Petitioner, v. MARKWAYNE MULLIN, *et al.*, Respondents.	Case No. 26-cv-02262-RBM-BJW **RESPONDENTS' RESPONSE TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

Pursuant to the Court's June 18, 2026 Order to Show Cause directing Respondents to provide a response regarding why the Second Amended Petition should not be granted (ECF No. 6), Respondents submit the following explanation. Upon receiving the Court's order, Respondents' counsel reviewed the docket. Respondents' counsel simply missed the new briefing deadline. After reviewing the Second Amended Petition, Respondents' counsel discovered the factual background described another detainee and did not pertain to Petitioner. *See* ECF No. 14. Respondents counsel immediately contacted Petitioner's counsel and the parties conferred regarding Respondents' lapsed deadline and the error in the petition.

In conclusion, the parties agreed to the following course of action in order to not delay the proceedings further: Petitioner will file a third amended petition by close of

business on June 18, 2026 and in return, Respondents will file a response to the third amended petition on June 18, 2026.

Both parties sincerely apologize to the Court for causing any delay or confusion in the proceedings.

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Respectfully submitted,

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