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By ECF

Honorable Diane Gujarati
United States District Judge
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: *Molina Ordonez v. Maldonado, et al.*, No. 26-cv-2485 (Gujarati, J.)

Dear Judge Gujarati:

This Office represents Respondents in this habeas action, in which Petitioner Rogelio Jose Molina Ordonez ("Petitioner") challenges his detention by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE"). *See* ECF No. 1. Respondents respectfully write in response to the Court's Order dated April 30, 2026 directing Respondents to file a letter by 5:00 p.m. today in response to the Petition. *See* ECF Order Apr. 30, 2026.

ICE has informed this Office that ICE expects to release Petitioner from custody today, though not before the 5:00 p.m. filing deadline. Accordingly, Respondents respectfully request the Court's leave to file a further status report regarding Petitioner's anticipated release by Monday, May 4, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Petitioner's counsel has informed the undersigned that Petitioner does not object to this request.

Respondents thank the Court for its time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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