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9 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

10 **SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

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12 JUAN GABRIEL DOMINGUEZ FLORES,

Case No.: 26-cv-02864-CAB-AHG

13 Petitioner,

**RETURN TO PETITION FOR A
WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS**

14 v.

15 ORESTES CRUZ, *et al.*,

16 Respondents.
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20 Petitioner appears to be a member of the Bond Eligible Class certified in *Maldonado*
21 *Bautista v. Santacruz*, No. 5:25-CV-01873-SSS-BFM, --- F. Supp. 3d ---, 2025 WL
22 3288403 (C.D. Cal. Nov. 25, 2025). The Ninth Circuit later stayed application of the Order
23 beyond the Central District of California. However, Respondents acknowledges the prior
24 orders from this District directing bond hearings pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a) in similar
25 cases.¹ Respondents therefore do not oppose an order from this Court directing a bond

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27 ¹ To the extent the Court issues an order directing a bond hearing under 1226(a),
28 considering heavy caseloads and staffing levels, Respondents respectfully request that such
order provide the government 14 days from issuance to hold such bond hearing.

1 hearing be held pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a).

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