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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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11 MARLON JUVENAL CHAVEZ
MERCHAN,

12 Petitioner,

13 v.

14 WARDEN, OTAY MESA DETENTION
15 CENTER, et al.,

16 Respondents.

CASE NO.: 26-cv-3075-LL-GC

Status report

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18 Federal Defenders of San Diego, Inc., hereby informs the Court that, due to
19 limited resources, and upon review of the record, FDSDI concludes that the Court
20 can decide the petition on the existing record without further assistance of
21 counsel. This conclusion expresses no opinion as to whether Mr. Chavez Merchan
22 may qualify for a writ of habeas corpus. Mr. Chavez Merchan has been notified.

23 Respectfully submitted,

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25 Dated: May 22, 2026

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