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AFSIN AKER, <i>et al.</i> ,)
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Plaintiffs,)
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v.)
	Civil Action No. 20-1926 (APM))
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JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR., President of the)
United States of America, <i>et al.</i> ,)
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Defendants.)
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MORAA ASNATH KENNEDY, <i>et al.</i> ,)
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Plaintiffs,)
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v.)
	Civil Action No. 20-2639 (APM))
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JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR., President of the)
United States of America, <i>et al.</i> ,)
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Defendants.)
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NOTICE

Government Defendants have moved to stay this Court’s order requiring them to process 9,095 diversity visas by September 30, 2022, while they appeal that order to the D.C. Circuit. *See* Dkt. No. 253. They do so nearly four months after this Court’s final order on summary judgment, Dkt. No. 244; nearly two months after filing their notice of appeal, Dkt. No. 248; and sixteen months after those diversity visas should have been processed, had Defendants complied with their nondiscretionary duty to process diversity-visa applications in a timely fashion.

After waiting months to seek a stay, Defendants now ask the Court to “act on this stay request by February 15, 2022,” a mere 14 days after they filed their motion. Dkt. No. 253, at 1.

Neither Defendants' motion nor their previously filed status report, Dkt. No. 250 (which set forth a lengthy timeline for processing the visas), provides any justification for this request that the Court rule on their stay motion the same day that Plaintiffs' response is due.

Under Local Rule 7(b), Plaintiffs may "file a memorandum of points and authorities in opposition" to a motion within "14 days of the date of service" of that motion, and Plaintiffs intend to file their opposition on February 15 pursuant to that rule.

Plaintiffs therefore ask the Court not to address Defendants' stay motion until after the filing of Plaintiffs' opposition on February 15, 2022.

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Respectfully submitted,

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