

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DOMINGO ARREGUIN GOMEZ et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR. et al.,

Defendants.

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) **Case No. 20-cv-01419 (APM)**
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**MOHAMMED ABDULAZIZ ABDUL
MOHAMMED et al.,**

Plaintiffs,

v.

ANTONY BLINKEN et al.,

Defendants.

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) **Case No. 20-cv-01856 (APM)**
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AFSIN AKER et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR. et al.,

Defendants.

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) **Case No. 20-cv-01926 (APM)**
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CLAUDINE NGUM FONJONG et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
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v.)	Case No. 20-cv-02128 (APM)
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JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR. et al.,)	
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Defendants.)	
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MORAA ASNATH KENNEDY et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
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v.)	Case No. 20-cv-02639 (APM)
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JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR. et al.)	
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Defendants.)	
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ORDER

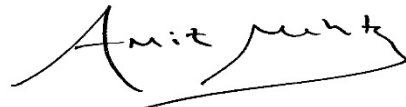
For the reasons set forth in the Memorandum Opinion filed on August 17, 2021, ECF No. 237, and the Order entered on October 13, 2021, ECF No. 242, the court grants in part and denies in part Defendants’ Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, ECF No. 189, and grants in part and denies in part the *Aker, Mohammed, Fonjong, and Kennedy* Plaintiffs’ Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, ECF No. 194, and the *Gomez* Plaintiffs’ Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, ECF No. 195.

The court grants Defendants’ motion for partial summary judgment as to Plaintiffs’ claims that (1) the No-Visa Policy was required to be issued via notice and comment, and (2) the Mandamus Act provides Plaintiffs relief. The court grants Plaintiffs’ motions for partial summary judgment as to their claims that (1) the No-Visa Policy is not in accordance with law and is

arbitrary and capricious, (2) Defendants acted arbitrarily and capriciously in excluding diversity visas from mission-critical processing, and (3) Defendants unreasonably delayed and unlawfully withheld adjudication of their diversity visas. In addition, the court denies as moot (1) the non-DV immigrant Plaintiffs' claims; (2) Plaintiffs' claim that the national interest exception violates the APA; (3) the *Mohammed, Fonjong, and Kennedy* Plaintiffs' Motion to Limit Review to the Administrative Record and to Strike Defendants' Extra-Record Evidence and Its References, ECF No. 192; and (4) Plaintiffs' remaining claims that the Proclamations are unlawful.

This is a final, appealable order.

Dated: October 13, 2021



Amit P. Mehta
United States District Court Judge