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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF OREGON
PORTLAND DIVISION**

LAS AMERICAS IMMIGRANT ADVOCACY)
CENTER; ASYLUM SEEKER ADVOCACY)
PROJECT; CATHOLIC LEGAL)
IMMIGRATION NETWORK, INC.;)
INNOVATION LAW LAB; SANTA FE)
DREAMERS PROJECT; AND SOUTHERN)
POVERTY LAW CENTER,)

Plaintiffs,)

v.)

DONALD J. TRUMP, in his official capacity as)
President of the United States; WILLIAM)
BARR, in his official capacity as Attorney)
General of the United States; U.S.)
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE; EXECUTIVE)
OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW; AND)
JAMES MCHENRY, in his official capacity as)
EOIR Director of the United States,)

Defendants.)

CASE NO. 3:19-cv-02051-IM

**JOINT MOTION FOR 30-DAY
EXTENSION OF TIME FOR JOINT
STATUS REPORT**

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 7-1

Counsel for the parties have conferred and jointly request this 30-day extension.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The parties respectfully move for a 30-day extension of time to submit the parties' joint status report currently due on March 15, 2021.

The government has produced administrative records, Plaintiffs have provided the government with their objections to those records, and the Parties have conferred as required by the Court's Case-Management Order, Dkt. 97. The Court further ordered the parties to submit a joint status report following that conferral.

On February 5, 2021, Defendants filed an unopposed motion for a 30-day extension to the deadline for the joint status report, citing the change in administrations and new leadership within the Department of Justice, Dkt. 98. On February 8, the Court granted Defendants' motion and reset the deadline for the joint status report as March 15, 2021, Dkt. 99.

Good cause exists for further extending the deadline for the joint status report. Following the change of administration on January 20, 2021, a new Acting Director was appointed to lead the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), a Defendant in this case. In addition, President Biden has issued several Executive Orders that direct agencies, including EOIR, to review policies and practices related to immigration. *See* Executive Order 14010, *Creating a Comprehensive Regional Framework to Address the Causes of Migration, to Manage Migration Throughout North and Central America, and to Provide Safe and Orderly Processing of Asylum Seekers at the United States Border*, 86 Fed. Reg. 8267 § 4(c)(i) ("within 180 days of the date of this order, conduct a comprehensive examination of current rules, regulations, precedential decisions, and internal guidelines governing the adjudication of asylum claims...."); Executive Order 14012, *Restoring Faith in Our Legal Immigration Systems and Strengthening Integration*

and Inclusion Efforts for New Americans, 86 Fed. Reg. 8277 § 1 (asking agencies to ensure that “immigration processes and other benefits are delivered effectively and efficiently”), § 3(a)(i) (asking the Attorney General to “identify barriers that impede access to immigration benefits and fair, efficient adjudications of these benefits...”). As a result, EOIR is reviewing the FAMU memorandum and the immigration judge performance metrics at issue in this case. Because any changes the agency makes may affect this case, extending the deadline for the parties’ joint status report will conserve the resources of the parties and the Court during the agency review process.

Accordingly, the parties jointly request that the Court grant this motion for a 30-day extension and extend the deadline for the parties’ joint status report to April 14, 2021.

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