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14 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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17 AHMED, *et al.*,

18 Plaintiffs,

19 v.

20 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
21 HOMELAND SECURITY, *et al.*,

22 Defendants.  
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Case No. 4:23-cv-01892-JST

Honorable Jon S. Tigar

**DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF  
LODGING OF STATUS REPORT**

1 Defendants, through their undersigned counsel, file this notice of lodging  
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3 Defendants' Status Report pursuant to the parties' fully executed class action  
4 settlement agreement (ECF No. 103-2) and this Court's order granting approval of  
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6 the class action settlement agreement (ECF No. 105).

7 Exhibit A includes the following information required by Section 3.1.1 of  
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9 the Settlement Agreement: (i) the total number of Class Member asylum  
10 applications received; (ii) the total number of Class Member asylum applications  
11 adjudicated; (iii) the total number of Class Member asylum applications that have  
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13 been granted; (iv) the total number of Class Member asylum applications that have  
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15 been denied; (v) the total number of Class Member asylum applications that have  
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17 been administratively closed; (vi) the total number of Class Member asylum  
18 applications that have been referred to immigration court for defensive removal  
19 proceedings; (vii) the total number and percentage of Class Member asylum  
20 applications that are pending; (viii) the total number of Class Member asylum  
21 applications that have been pending more than 150 days, and the total percentage  
22 compared to overall Class Member asylum applications; (ix) for adjudicated Class  
23 Member asylum applications, the average adjudication time from filing to  
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25 completion; and (x) for pending Class Member asylum applications, the average  
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27 number of days from filing that those cases have been pending. This information is  
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current as of December 28, 2023.

1 Pursuant to Section 3.5 of the Settlement Agreement, Defendants will also  
2 post these reports to Defendants' Class Action, Settlement Notices and Agreements  
3 page: [https://www.uscis.gov/laws-and-policy/other-resources/uscis-class-action-  
5 settlement-notices-and-agreements](https://www.uscis.gov/laws-and-policy/other-resources/uscis-class-action-<br/>4 settlement-notices-and-agreements).

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Respectfully Submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on January 11, 2024, I served a copy of the foregoing on counsel for Plaintiffs via the Court's CM/ECF e-filing system.

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