UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MUSLIM ADVOCATES, et al.

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No. 18-1546 (TSC)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, et al.,

Defendants.

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Defendants, the United States Department of State ("DOS"), United States Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"), United States Customs and Border Protection ("CBP"), United States Citizenship and Immigration Services ("USCIS") and Plaintiffs, Muslim Advocates and Center for Constitutional Rights ("CCR"), each by its undersigned counsel, submit this joint status report in this Freedom of Information Action in response to the Court's Minute Order dated February 26, 2019.

Defendants provide the following updates regarding their responses to Plaintiffs'
FOIA requests.

a. DOS:

DOS made a production of non-exempt, responsive material to Plaintiffs on February 25, 2018. DOS intends to continue providing rolling productions of non-exempt, responsive material to Plaintiffs at a monthly rate, with the next production on March 25, 2019.

b. USCIS:

USCIS has finished its initial search, and has almost completed its review of approximately 2,700 remaining pages of potentially responsive records. Assuming that no additional searches are deemed necessary, USCIS still anticipates being able to begin rolling productions of responsive, non-exempt USCIS records starting no later than April 2019.

c. <u>CBP</u>:

CBP has concluded its search for responsive documents and has identified five pages of responsive documents; it released redacted versions of the responsive documents to Plaintiffs on February 5, 2019. Along with responsive records, CBP also provided to Plaintiffs a memorandum from a CBP official explaining the context and nature of the result of CBP's search for responsive records.

d. <u>DHS</u>:

DHS has completed its search and the processing of the approximately 3,709 potentially responsive pages. At this juncture, DHS has begun review of the pages processed but is unable to provide an estimated release date. DHS will provide an estimated release date in the next joint status report. DHS anticipates that it will make a single production.

2. The parties intend to consult again as productions proceed and propose that they file another joint status report on May 10, 2019 pursuant to the Court's Minute Order dated February 26, 2019.

Dated: March 11, 2019 Respectfully submitted,

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