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February 18, 2014

The Honorable Laurel Beeler  
United States District Court for the Northern District of California  
San Francisco Courthouse  
450 Golden Gate Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Martins v. USCIS, et al., No. 3:13-cv-00591-LB

Dear Hon. Laurel Beeler,

Pursuant to paragraph one of the Settlement Agreement signed by the parties on November 18, 2013 (ECF 42), Defendant USCIS hereby provides to the Court and Plaintiff's counsel written confirmation demonstrating the government's compliance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement the government was obligated to "instruct officers, employees and agents involved in the processing of FOIA requests...that records reflecting information, instructions, and questions asked by officers and responses given by applicants in asylum interviews...shall be produced."

Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement compliance with this provision was scheduled to be complete by February 18, 2014. See Settlement Agreement (ECF 42).

By this letter USCIS confirms the instructions were given to appropriate USCIS staff on January 8, 2014, and training consistent with the Settlement Agreement terms on processing FOIA requests for asylum officer interview notes is now complete as of the date of this letter. Since January 8, 2014, USCIS has been processing FOIA requests for asylum officer interview notes consistent with the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alan D. Hughes", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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