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From: EOIR.FOIARequests@usdoj.gov
Subject: DOJ-EOIR FOIA Request # 2021-41479
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To: bsmerdon@lucelawpllc.com

Re: 2021-41479

Freedom of Information Act Request for DIMAS-MALDONADO, JOSE

Dear Bonnie Smerdon,

The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) has received your request for expedited treatment of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request.

The FOIA regulations states that expedited treatment is granted if there is an exceptional need such as jeopardy to life or personal safety, a threatened loss of substantial due process rights, or an urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activities. *See* 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(e).

Upon review of your request, it has been determined that you did not meet the threshold. Therefore, your request for expedited treatment has been denied.

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact the EOIR FOIA Service Center or FOIA Public Liaison at (703) 605-1297 or EOIR.FOIArequests@usdoj.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at (202) 741-5770; toll free at (877) 684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the EOIR's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website <https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

FOIA Intake