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Clifton Cislak, Clerk of Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
E. Barrett Prettyman U.S. Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: *Dellinger v. Bessent*, No. 25-5052

Dear Mr. Cislak:

I write on behalf of Plaintiff-Appellee Special Counsel Hampton Dellinger to notify the Court that Mr. Dellinger has decided not to pursue judicial relief recognizing his right to head the Office of Special Counsel.¹ We are still negotiating with the government regarding the proper next steps to bring this litigation to an end. However, Mr. Dellinger's final and public decision means that there is presently no live appeal for this Court to address. *See United States v. China Telecom (Americas) Corp.*, 55 F.4th 939, 943 (D.C. Cir. 2022).

¹ *See* Josh Gerstein, *Federal workforce watchdog who was fired by Trump drops legal fight to get his job back*, Politico (Mar. 6, 2025), <https://www.politico.com/news/2025/03/06/federal-workforce-watchdog-who-was-fired-by-trump-drops-legal-fight-to-get-his-job-back-00215891>.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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