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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

MOHAMMAD HASSAN YOUSEFI,  
Petitioner,  
v.  
CHRISTOPHER J. LAROSE, Senior  
Warden, Otay Mesa Detention Center, et  
al.,  
Respondents.

Case No.: 3:26-cv-00272-RBM-VET  
**ORDER SETTING FURTHER  
BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

On January 16, 2026, Petitioner Mohammad Hassan Yousefi (“Petitioner”), proceeding *pro se*, filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 (“Petition”). (Doc. 1.) After the Petition was briefed (*see* Docs. 4, 5), the Court denied it without prejudice. (Doc. 6.) The Court found that, because Respondents had obtained Petitioner’s Iranian passport and arranged his removal flight to Iran, they had rebutted Petitioner’s assertion that his removal was not significantly likely in the reasonably foreseeable future. (*See id.* at 4–6 (discussing *Zadvydas v. Davis*, 533 U.S. 678 (2001).) The Court also ordered Respondents to file a Status Report on or before March 6, 2026 indicating whether Petitioner was removed to Iran, and gave Petitioner leave to file an amended Petition if he had not been removed by that date. (*Id.* at 6.)

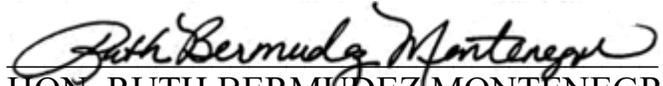
1 Respondents timely filed a Status Report indicating that they “had scheduled  
2 Petitioner for a charter flight removal to Iran on March 28 or 29, 2026,” but that “removal  
3 flights to Iran have temporarily ceased” due to the current conflict. (Doc. 7 at 1.) After  
4 Respondents filed the Status Report, Petitioner, still proceeding *pro se*, filed an Amended  
5 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (“Amended Petition”). (Doc. 10.) In the Amended  
6 Petition, Petitioner raised the same claims that his detention without a bond hearing violates  
7 the Fifth Amendment’s Due Process Clause, *Zadvydas*, and the Administrative Procedure  
8 Act. (*See id.* at 1–6.) Shortly thereafter, Federal Defenders of San Diego, Inc. filed a  
9 Notice of Appearance and entered the case as Petitioner’s counsel. (Doc. 8.)

10 Petitioner may file a Second Amended Petition, through new counsel, on or before  
11 **March 18, 2026**. Respondents shall respond to the Second Amended Petition on or before  
12 **March 25, 2026**. Petitioner may file a reply on or before **April 1, 2026**.

13 The Court notes that it previously determined the six-month presumptively  
14 reasonable period under *Zadvydas* expires on April 3, 2026. (Doc. 6 at 5.) The Parties  
15 may of course raise whatever legal arguments they believe are appropriate. But given that  
16 the six-month presumptively reasonable period will almost certainly have expired by the  
17 time the Court rules on the Second Amended Petition, the Parties’ briefs should focus on  
18 the other prongs of the *Zadvydas* analysis.

19 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

20 DATE: March 11, 2026

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22 HON. RUTH BERMUDEZ MONTENEGRO  
23 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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