# Exhibit 2

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

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Plaintiffs,

v.

**JOSEPH R. BIDEN**, in his official capacity as President of the United States, *et al*.

Defendants.

Case No. 8:21-cv-02429-SDM-TGW

#### DECLARATION OF CAPTAIN MERY-ANGELA SANABRIA KATSON, U.S. NAVY

- I, Captain Mery-Angela Sanabria Katson, U.S. Navy, hereby state and declare as follows:
- 1. I am a captain in the United States Navy, currently serving as the Branch Head, Enlisted Plans and Policy (OPNAV N132), located in Arlington, Virginia. I make this declaration in my official capacity, based upon my personal knowledge and upon information that has been provided to me in the course of my official duties.
- 2. Subject to the data limitations and important context provided in my previous declaration, the attached exhibit reflects the data available as of February 3, 2022.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 3rd day of February, 2022.

Captain, U.S. Navy

#### Exhibit 1 to Declaration of CAPT Katson

#### **U.S. Navy Court-Ordered Data**

### Current as of 3 February 2022

(1) Number of religious exemption from COVID-19 vaccination:

# Initial Requests Under Review	# Initial Request Approved	# Initial Requests Denied	# Denials Where Chaplain Determined Belief Sincere	Total Initial Requests
285	0	3,728	UNKNOWN	4,095

# Denials w/o				Fully Resolved Requests	
Appeal Before Deadline <sup>1</sup>	# Appeals Under Review	# Appeals Denied	# Appeals Approved	Aggregate # of Approved Requests	Aggregate # of Denied Requests
UNKNOWN	1,222	81	0	0	81

(2) Number of medical-exemption requests from COVID-19 vaccination:

Temporary Medical Exemption Requests	# Medical Exemptions Denied	# Medical Exemptions Granted		Total Medical Exemption Requests
UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	Temporary <sup>2</sup>	Permanent	UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN		252	11	UNKNOWN

(3) Number of other exemptions from COVID-19 vaccination granted for any other reason (i.e. administrative exemptions):

Emergency Leave	Permanent Change of Station (PCS)	Administrative Separation/ Terminal Leave	Administrative Temporary (i.e. no access to vaccine)
0	50	410	35

(4) Number of courts-martial and separation proceedings pending or concluded against a service member whose request for a religious exemption was denied after appeal:

Courts-Martial		Administrative Separation (ADSEP)		
Pending	Concluded	ADSEP Initiated	ADSEP Completed	
0	N/A	UNKNOWN	240	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Appeals submitted after deadline will still be considered.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This number reflects the total number of active temporary exemptions, but does not include expired medical exemptions. Absent a new exemption, a member is required to obtain the COVID-19 vaccine after their temporary medical exemption expires.