

member's designated country of removal or specified alternative country or countries of removal, as provided in that class member's final order of removal.

3. The Court DECLARES that 8 U.S.C. § 1231(b) requires Defendants, before effecting removal of a class member pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1231(b)(2)(E), to first seek removal to that class member's designated country of removal or country or countries of citizenship, if any.

4. The Court DECLARES that class members have the right to meaningful notice before removal to any third country.

5. The Court DECLARES that class members have the right to a meaningful opportunity to raise a country-specific claim against removal before removal to any third country.

6. The Court DECLARES that Defendants' third-country removal policy, as embodied in DHS's March 30, 2025 memorandum, titled "Guidance Regarding Third Country Removals," and ICE's July 9, 2025 memorandum, titled "Third Country Removals Following the Supreme Court's Order in *Department of Homeland Security v. D.V.D.*, No. 24A1153 (U.S. June 23, 2025)," is unlawful and SETS ASIDE that policy.

7. This JUDGMENT is STAYED until fifteen days from date of issuance or until the First Circuit rules on any motion for an administrative stay or stay pending appeal, whichever occurs first.

So Ordered.

Dated: February 25, 2026

/s/ Brian E. Murphy
Brian E. Murphy
Judge, United States District Court