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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 DANIEL KIM, et al.,

11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.

13 UNITED STATES,

14 Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING TEMPORARY STAY  
OF DISCOVERY

CASE NO. 1:16-CV-01656-NONE-SKO

JUDGE: Hon. Sheila K. Oberto

(Doc. 70)

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17 Pending before the Court is a joint request for a temporary stay of discovery submitted by plaintiffs  
18 Daniel Kim, Grace Kim, Hannah Kim, Francis S. Lee, and Vivian Lee (“Plaintiffs”) and defendant the  
19 United States. (Doc. 70.) Good cause appearing, the request is GRANTED.

20 On January 28, 2021, the parties participated in a mediation with a private mediator. Although the  
21 case did not settle at the mediation, the parties have remained engaged in good faith settlement discussions  
22 with the assistance of the mediator since that time and continue to negotiate in good faith. The parties  
23 advise the Court that they believe the most productive way forward is to continue to focus on settlement  
24 discussions rather than conducting discovery. A stay of the discovery schedule is necessary to avoid any  
25 question about whether the parties should also have been conducting discovery simultaneously with their  
26 settlement efforts. Neither party will be prejudiced by the requested stay, which is of a modest duration.  
27 If the case does not settle, the parties can resume discovery after the stay expires.

1           Accordingly, the Court orders that all discovery in this matter is STAYED until August 30, 2021.  
2 By no later than August 30, 2021, the parties SHALL file a joint status report detailing the status of their  
3 mediation efforts and proposing a schedule for the resumption of discovery.

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5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

6 Dated: May 5, 2021

*/s/ Sheila K. Oberto*  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE