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18 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
19 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

20 EBTISAM ALI MOHAMED and JAMAL )  
21 SALEH ALMUHARRAK, ) Case No.: 1:16-cv-1735-DAD-SKO  
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23 Plaintiffs, )  
24 )  
25 v. ) **FIFTH JOINT STIPULATION AND**  
26 ) **ORDER RE: EXTENSION OF TIME**  
JEFFERSON B. SESSIONS III, *et al.*,<sup>1</sup> )  
27 )  
28 Defendants. )

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27 <sup>1</sup> On February 9, 2017, Jefferson B. Sessions III was sworn in as Attorney General of the United  
28 States, automatically substituting for Loretta Lynch, former Attorney General, as a party in  
accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(d).

1 On November 14, 2016, Plaintiffs filed the instant action, seeking to compel adjudication  
2 of Plaintiffs' immigrant visa petition and application. Service on the U.S. Attorney's Office was  
3 perfected on December 21, 2016. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services reviewed  
4 Plaintiffs' file and reaffirmed the visa petition. The National Visa Center transferred the file to  
5 the consular post at which Plaintiff Almuhammad previously made his application. At Plaintiff  
6 Almuhammad's request, his application was transferred to another consular post. On July 20,  
7 2017, Plaintiff Almuhammad was re-interviewed regarding his visa application. A further  
8 adjudication decision is forthcoming. Presently, Defendants' response is due August 4, 2017.  
9 Four previous extensions have been obtained, totaling 164 days. See ECF Nos. 18, 21, 23, 26.  
10 The parties hereby stipulate to a 60-day extension to answer or otherwise respond to the  
11 complaint, until October 3, 2017.  
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13 Dated: August 4, 2017

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**ORDER**

Based on the parties' above stipulation (Doc. 27), and for good cause shown, IT IS  
HEREBY ORDERED that Defendants are granted a 60-day extension of time for filing a  
response to the Complaint (Doc. 1).

Defendants shall file a response to the Complaint on or before October 3, 2017.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 8, 2017

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE