1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 MADERO POUNCIL, Case No. 1:17-cv-00547-AWI-BAM (PC) 12 ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION Plaintiff. TO ENFORCE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT 13 v. (ECF No. 41) 14 D. LOPEZ, 15 Defendant. 16 17 Plaintiff Madero Pouncil is a state prisoner proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis in this 18 civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. 19 On July 11, 2019, a settlement conference was held before the undersigned. The terms 20 and conditions of the settlement agreement were placed on the record. (ECF No. 37.) 21 On July 26, 2019, the parties filed a stipulation to dismiss this action with prejudice 22 pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(ii), (ECF No. 39), and the action was 23 terminated by operation of law, (ECF No. 40). On January 15, 2020, Plaintiff filed a letter to the Court. (ECF No. 41.) In his letter, 24 Plaintiff states that, as of January 13, 2020, he has not received payment pursuant to the 25 26 settlement agreement and, therefore, he seeks an order requiring Defendant to pay the agreed 27 upon amount as soon as possible. Plaintiff's letter was not signed under penalty of perjury. (Id.) 28 The Court construed Plaintiff's letter as a motion to enforce the settlement agreement, and

ordered Defendant Lopez to file a response to Plaintiff's motion within fourteen days. (ECF No. 42.) On January 29, 2020, Defendant Lopez filed a response to Plaintiff's motion to enforce the settlement agreement. (ECF No. 43.) Defendant's response is supported by the declaration of Defendant's counsel. In his declaration, counsel states that, on January 10, 2020, he was informed in an e-mail from CDCR that Plaintiff's settlement proceeds had been paid on January 8, 2020, which is within 180 days of July 11, 2019. (Id. at 3.) Defense counsel's declaration is signed under penalty of perjury. (Id.) The Court directed Plaintiff to not file a reply unless ordered to do so. The Court finds that no reply is necessary, and Plaintiff's motion is deemed submitted. Local Rule 230(1). Based on the information currently before the Court, it appears that CDCR has paid the settlement proceeds to Plaintiff in accordance with the terms of the settlement agreement. Therefore, Plaintiff's motion to enforce the settlement agreement, (ECF No. 41), is HEREBY DENIED. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: **February 4, 2020** UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE