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LAWRENCE BROWN 1 United States Attorney AUDREY B. HEMESATH 2 Assistant United States Attorney 501 I Street, Suite 10-100 3 Sacramento, California 95814 4 Telephone: (916) 554-2729 5 Attorneys for Defendants 6 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 7 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 8 9 SATNAM SINGH, No. 08-cv-S-2366 FCD EFB 10 Plaintiff. FIFTH JOINT STIPULATION AND ORDER RE: EXTENSION OF TIME 11 v. Michael Chertoff, Secretary of Homeland 12 Security, et al. 13 Defendants. 14 15 16 This is an immigration case in which plaintiff has challenged the delay in the execution of 17 his I-824 application and the processing of his family's immigrant visa applications by the 18 United States Department of State and the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. 19 The parties have previously stipulated to four extensions of time, until October 15, 2009, for the 20 government to file its answer to the complaint. At the time of the filing of the last extension request, the Department of State was awaiting further documentation from the applicants. The 21 parties have continued communication throughout this extension period, and at the time of this 22 filing, the Department of State is again awaiting further documentation from the applicants. It 23 is anticipated that this documentation will be submitted and the processing completed within an 24 additional 60 days. Because of the likelihood that this matter will shortly be resolved on the 25 administrative level, the parties stipulate to a fifth extension of time, until December 15, 2009, 26 for the filing of the government's answer. 27

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| 13 | <u>ORDER</u> |
| 14 | Pursuant to this Joint Stipulation and for the reasons stated therein, IT IS HEREBY |
| 15 | ORDERED that the defendants' Answer is due on December 15, 2009. |
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| 18 | IT IS SO ORDERED. |
| 19 | DATED: October 8, 2009 |
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| 22 | FRANK C. DAMRELL, JR. |
| 23 | UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE |
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