Case4:09-cv-04170-SBA Document18 Filed05/21/10 Page1 of 3 1 TONY WEST 2 **Assistant Attorney General** Civil Division 3 JOSHUA E.T. BRAUNSTEIN **Assistant Director** 4 LANA L. VAHAB (DC 497145) Trial Attorney 5 Office of Immigration Litigation Civil Division, Justice Department P.O. Box 878, Ben Franklin Station 6 Washington, D.C. 20044 7 Tel: (202) 532-4067 Fax: (202) 305-7000 8 E-mail: lana.vahab@usdoj.gov 9 Attorneys for the United States 10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 11 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 12 TATIANA FRIDERICI Case No. C 4:09-CV-04170-SBA 13 PARTIES JOINT REQUEST TO 14 Plaintiff, BE EXEMPT FROM FORMAL ADR PROCESS; AND PROSEDY 15 **ORDER** vs. 16 JANET NAPOLITANO; ROSEMARY 17 MELVILLE; ROBIN BARRETT; and ERIC H. HOLDER, Jr. 18 19 Defendants. 20 21 Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she has read either the handbook entitled 22 "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California," or the specified portions 23 of the ADR Unit's Internet site <www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov>, discussed the available dispute 24 resolution options provided by the court and private entities, and considered whether this case 25 might benefit from any of them. 26 Here, the parties agree that referral to a formal ADR process will **not** be beneficial 27 JOINT REQUEST TO BE EXEMPT FROM ADR 28 Case No. C 09-cv-04710

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because this action is brought under the Administrative Record Act and therefore the resolution of this matter will be based on the administrative record. In this action, Plaintiff asks the Court to reverse the revocation of her husband's marriage-based visa. As such, given the nature of the action and the lack of any potential middle ground, ADR will only serve to multiply the proceedings and unncessarily use court resources.

Accordingly, pursuant to ADR L.R. 3-3(c), the parties request the case be removed from the ADR Multi-Option Program and that they be excused from participating in the ADR phone conference and any further formal ADR process. If any party subsequently determines that submission to the formal ADR process would be beneficial to the efficient resolution of this matter, the parties agree to consider whether to submit to the Court's ADR program at that time.

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**ORDER** Pursuant to stipulation and to ADR L. R. 3-3(c), the parties are hereby removed from the ADR Multi-Option Program and are excused from participating in the ADR phone conference and any further formal ADR process. Should any party subsequently determine that submission to the formal ADR process would be beneficial to the efficient resolution of this matter, that party may request placement in one of the Court's ADR programs at that time. SO ORDERED. Sandre B. Ormitag Dated: 5/7/10 Saundra B. Armstrong United States Magistrate Judge JOINT REQUEST TO BE EXEMPT FROM ADR