

## **U.S. Department of Justice**

## Office of the Solicitor General

The Solicitor General

Washington, D.C. 20530

January 18, 2018

Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States One First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Hargan v. Garza, No. 17-654

Dear Mr. Harris:

The government wishes to inform the Court that the unaccompanied alien minor identified in this matter as Jane Doe is no longer in the custody of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). On January 15, 2018, Ms. Doe was discharged from the custody of HHS' Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) to a sponsor who was vetted and approved pursuant to ORR policy and procedure. D. Ct. Doc. 115-1, at 2 (Jan. 18, 2018) (declaration of Jonathan White, ORR Deputy Director); see Pet. 3-4 (describing the sponsorship process). In addition, the unaccompanied alien minor identified in respondents' January 11, 2018 letter as Jane Moe was released to a sponsor on January 14, 2018. D. Ct. Doc. 114 (Jan. 14, 2018); see Letter from Carter Phillips, Resp. Att'y, to Scott S. Harris, Clerk of Court (Jan. 11, 2018).

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

cc: Attached Service List

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