

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

CASA DE MARYLAND, INC., *et al.*

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, in his official capacity as President of the United States, *et al.*,

Defendants.

No. 8:19-cv-2715-PWG

CITY OF GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND,
et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, *et al.*,

Defendants.

No. 8:19-cv-2851-PWG

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's February 4, 2021, paperless order, the Parties submit this joint status report.

On February 2, 2021, the President issued an Executive Order titled *Executive Order on Restoring Faith in Our Legal Immigration Systems and Strengthening Integration and Inclusion Efforts for New Americans*. See Exec. Order No. 14,012. Section 4 of the Executive Order specifically directs heads of relevant agencies, including the Secretary of Homeland Security, to review agency actions related to implementation of the public charge ground of inadmissibility, 8 U.S.C. § 1182(a)(4)(A), in light of the policy set forth in the Executive Order and certain other considerations. The order gives the Secretary of State, the Attorney General and the Secretary of Homeland Security 60 days, or until April 3, 2021, to report any appropriate agency actions that

can be taken, or have been taken, to address concerns about the current public charge policies' effect on the integrity of the Nation's immigration system and public health. Pursuant to this Executive Order, Defendant U.S. Department of Homeland Security is reviewing the regulation that is the subject of this lawsuit.

The Parties propose that they file another status report within one week of the Executive Order's 60-day deadline, or by April 9, 2021. By this request, the Parties do not seek to stay the case to a greater extent than it is already stayed.¹ Nor does this request prejudice any party's right to file a status report in the interim.

Dated: February 19, 2021

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¹ See Order, ECF No. 105 (staying all proceedings related to discovery and completion of the administrative record, pending resolution of Defendants' motion to dismiss).

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