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A Message from the Office of the Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Deputy Director

January 26, 2021

To All ICE Employees

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On January 26, 2021, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas issued a temporary restraining order (TRO) enjoining and restraining the Department of Homeland Security from enforcing and implementing the policies set forth in Section C, Immediate 100-Day Pause on Removals, of Acting Secretary David Pekoske's January 20, 2021, memorandum, *Review of and Interim Revision to Civil Immigration Enforcement and Removal Policies and Priorities*. The district court's order does not in any way limit the department's efforts to carry out or adhere to the January 20, 2021 memorandum's other sections, namely Sections A (Comprehensive Review of Enforcement Policies and Priorities), B (Interim Civil Enforcement Guidelines), and D (No Private Right Statement). **Accordingly, until further notice, in order to comply with the TRO, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement employees should return to normal removal operations as prior to the issuance of the January 20, 2021 memorandum.**

A copy of the TRO is attached. All Enforcement and Removal Operations and Homeland Security Investigations officers and agents should familiarize themselves with the text of the TRO and ensure their compliance with the same. Questions regarding the TRO should be directed to the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor.

Please continue to comply with this order until further notice.

Thank you.

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