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3 4	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA		
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6	ANDRES RAMIREZ-MARTINEZ,		
7	MANUEL URIOSTEGUI, and ERICSON GONZALES	No	
8 9	Plaintiffs, v.	DECLARATION OF ERICSON GONZALES IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR TEMPORARY	
10	UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION	RESTRAINING ORDER	
11	AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT;		
12	THOMAS S. WINKOWSKI, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the U.S.		
13	Immigration and Customs Enforcement; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND		
14	SECURITY; JEH JOHNSON, Secretary		
15	of Homeland Security; NATHALIE R. ASHER, Director of the Seattle Field		
16 17	Office of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement,		
18	Defendants.		
19 20	I, Ericson Gonzales, declare as follows:	•	
21	1. I am over the age of eighteen, have personal knowledge of the matters herein, and		
22	am competent to testify in this case.		
23	2. I am a detainee at the Northwest I	2. I am a detainee at the Northwest Detention Center in Tacoma, Washington. My	
24	living unit at the Northwest Detention Center was F-3. I am currently housed in administrative		
25	segregation in the D-3 unit. During the first three days of the hunger strike, other than encourag		
26	ing me to eat, none of the corrections officers said anything to me about potential sanctions for		
27	being on a hunger strike.		
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29	DECL. OF ERICSON GONZALES	ACLU OF WASHINGTON FOUNDATION	

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- 3. Beginning on Monday, March 24, 2014, I voluntarily participated in a hunger strike in the F-3 unit. Many detainees in the F-3 unit were on hunger strike, but no one was forced to participate. There were a few detainees who did not want to participate in a hunger strike, and I and others who were on hunger strike respected those detainees' decision not to strike. The hunger strike did not affect daily operations in our unit and, to my knowledge, there was no disruption of the facility.
- 4. I went on hunger strike because I have concerns about national immigration policy, the fairness of bond decisions, and the conditions at the Northwest Detention Center.
- 5. On Thursday, March 27, 2014, several corrections officers entered the F-3 unit while many of us were on hunger strike. They told another detained to come with them for a meeting with an assistant warden. The detained left with the officers.
- 6. The officers then returned to take other detainees to the meeting. Many of the remaining hunger striking detainees in the unit asked the officers if they too could join the meeting because they had their own reasons for joining the hunger strike and wanted to have the same opportunity to convey those reasons as the detainees who were selected to attend the meeting. A corrections officer agreed and then started to identify detainees who would also be allowed to attend the meeting. Corrections officers escorted them out of the F-3 unit.
- 7. I was not one of the individuals who asked to attend the meeting, but a corrections officer instructed me to go.
- 8. As soon as we were outside of the F-3 unit, I was handcuffed me and placed in administrative segregation where I am locked in an isolation cell for 23 hours a day. The cell has only a bed, a toilet, and a sink. I am allowed to go to a small "yard" for 1 hour a day. I am only allowed to shower three days a week and cannot participate in programming. I was not told why I was placed in administrative segregation, or if or when I would be released from segregation.
- 9. I was eventually given an Administrative Segregation Order which stated that I am a security risk to myself or the security of the facility. It also stated that I have been identi-

fied as a "principle party to intimidating others into not eating" and that I am being placed in protective custody. Attached as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of my Administrative Segregation Order dated March 27, 2014.

- 10. I did not intimidate or try to force anyone to start a hunger strike. I did not observe any others intimidate or try to force anyone to start a hunger strike. I cannot challenge the allegations against me because I have not been given any information about what I allegedly did to intimidate others. I also have not been given any opportunity to challenge my placement in administrative segregation. I do not know when I will be returned to the general population.
- 11. I believe I was placed in administrative segregation because I was on hunger strike. I had planned to strike at least until Friday, March 28, 2014. I broke my hunger strike after I was placed in administrative segregation because I did not want to get in trouble with the corrections officers.

I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the United States of America and the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 1st day of April, 2014, at Tacoma, Washington.

ERICSON GONZALES

EXHIBIT 1

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Northwest	Detention	Center
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Administrative Detention Order

To Special Management Uni	It	Date March 27, 2014	
From Risch 72		Title: LT	
(Signature of Person Au	thorizing Detention)		
Medical Notified Ves	x_XX No		
		A MANAGEMENT	
Detainee Name: GONZALE	s, Ericsul	A-Number:	
The above named individual is to	be admitted to Administrative Detention	on for the following reason(s):	
Is pending an i	investigation/hearing for the commission re-hearing detention.	n of a prohibited act or rule violation	
(B) Is under medic	B) Is under medical observation (medical staff must comment and sign this order).		
Medical Office	er (Signature)		
(C) Is pending a tre	ansfer or release within 24 hours.		
Is terminating (D) Administrative	confinement in Disciplinary Segregation Detention by the Institution Disciplinar	and has been ordered in y Panel	
	Is a security risk to him/herself or the security of the facility.		
(F) Detainee has re	equested admission for Protective Custoo	dy	
I hereby reques	st placement in the Special Management I request a hearing concerning my se	Unit for my own protection. gregation.	
Detainee:	The state of the s	Date;	
	(Signature)		
Details (as necessary) You have	been identified by staff as a principle par and safety of the detainees in the affects	rty to intimidating others into not red housing units, you are being placed	
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