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9	STATE OF WASHINGTON, and STATE OF MINNESOTA,	
10	Plaintiffs,	Civil Action No. 2:17-cv-00141-JLR
11	V.	MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT
12	DONALD TRUMP, in his official	M
13	capacity as President of the United States; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF	Motion Noted: March 31, 2017
14	HOMELAND SECURITY; JOHN F. KELLY, in his official capacity as	
15	Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security; REX W.	
16	TILLERSON, in his official capacity as Secretary of State; and the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	
17	Defendants.	
18	Defendants.	
19	STATE OF OREGON,	
20	Intervenor-Plaintiff,	
21	v.	
22	DONALD TRUMP, et al.,	
23	Intervenor-Defendants.	
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## I. INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On March 6, 2017, President Trump signed Executive Order 13780 (Second Executive Order) "revoking" and "replacing" Executive Order No. 13769 (First Executive Order), the subject of the First Amended Complaint. Second Executive Order § 1(i), ECF No. 108-1. At least two provisions of the Second Executive Order violate the law, like their enjoined predecessors in the First Executive Order: (1) a 90-day ban on entry of persons from several Muslim-majority countries, and (2) a 120-day suspension of the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program. *See* First Executive Order §§ 3(c), 5(a) (imposing these bans), *and* ECF No. 52, at 5 (enjoining §§ 3(c), 5(a)), *and* Second Executive Order §§ 2(c), 6(a) (reinstating these bans).

The State of Washington (Washington) requests leave to amend its complaint to (1) allege that the Second Executive Order suffers from many of the same constitutional and statutory deficiencies as the First Executive Order, (2) add the States of California, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, and Oregon<sup>2</sup> (collectively, the States), as plaintiffs, and (3) reassert that the Executive Orders injure the States' proprietary interests, sovereign interests, and residents. Washington respectfully requests that the Court grant leave to file the accompanying proposed Second Amended Complaint.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In light of changes in the Second Executive Order, the proposed Second Amended Complaint drops what were the Fifth Cause of Action (for violation of the Immigration and Nationality Act based on Denial of Asylum and Withholding of Removal) and Sixth Cause of Action (for violation of the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act based on Denial of Convention Against Torture Relief).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On March 9, 2017, the Court granted Oregon's motion to intervene as a plaintiff as of right. ECF No. 112. However, to streamline this action procedurally, Oregon and the existing plaintiffs have agreed to join Oregon as a plaintiff rather than having Oregon proceed separately as a plaintiff-intervenor. Therefore, if this Motion is granted, Oregon will withdraw its Complaint-in-Intervention.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Washington, California, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, and Oregon are the Plaintiffs in the proposed Second Amended Complaint. Minnesota joins Washington's motion in accordance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15 and 21 to reflect that it is not a party to the proposed Second Amended Complaint.

#### II. **ARGUMENT**

#### A. **Leave to Amend is Proper**

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The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure allow parties to seek leave to amend their pleadings before trial, and "[t]he Court should freely give leave when justice so requires." Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(2). Indeed, "[f]ederal policy favors freely allowing amendment so that cases may be decided on their merits." Wizards of the Coast LLC v. Cryptozoic Entm't LLC, 309 F.R.D. 645, 649 (W.D. Wash. 2015) (citing Martinez v. Newport Beach City, 125 F.3d 777, 785 (9th Cir. 1997)). "This policy is 'to be applied with extreme liberality." Eminence Capital, LLC v. Aspeon, Inc., 316 F.3d 1048, 1051 (9th Cir. 2003) (quoting Owens v. Kaiser Found. Health Plan, Inc., 244 F.3d 708, 712 (9th Cir. 2001) (additional citation omitted)). "This liberality in granting leave to amend is not dependent on whether the amendment will add causes of action or parties." DCD Programs, Ltd. v. Leighton, 833 F.2d 183, 186 (9th Cir. 1987).

When leave to amend is sought before the defendants have filed a responsive pleading, as here, the presumption in favor of granting leave is at its highest. "Under Rule 15(a), leave to amend should be granted freely until the defendant files a responsive pleading." Martinez v. Newport Beach City, 125 F.3d 777, 785 (9th Cir. 1997); see also Johnson v. Mammoth Recreations, Inc., 975 F.2d 604, 607 (9th Cir. 1992) ("Under Rule 15(a), leave to amend should be granted as a matter of course, at least until the defendant files a responsive pleading."); Eminence Capital, LLC, 316 F.3d at 1052 (holding that, in circumstances like these, "there exists a *presumption* under Rule 15(a) in favor of granting leave to amend") (emphasis in original)). The party opposing amendment bears the "burden of showing that amendment is not warranted." Wizards of the Coast, 309 F.R.D. at 649 (citing DCD Programs, 833 F.2d at 187).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "After that point, leave to amend should be granted unless amendment would cause prejudice to the opposing party, is sought in bad faith, is futile, or creates undue delay." Martinez, 125 F.3d at 785 (citing Ascon Props., Inc. v. Mobil Oil Co., 866 F.2d 1149, 1160 (9th Cir. 1989)); Johnson, 975 F.2d at 607 (same).

Here, Washington has promptly sought leave to amend within seven days of the President's issuance of the Second Executive Order, which shares constitutional and statutory infirmities of its predecessor and continues to harm Washingtonians. The States of California, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, and Oregon have suffered, and continue to suffer, similar harms. Defendants have not yet filed a responsive pleading and will not be prejudiced. For these reasons, the Court should grant the request for leave to file the accompanying Second Amended Complaint.

# B. The States Should Be Granted Leave to Seek Redress for Their Ongoing Harms

Defendants' continuing course of conduct harms the States. Like the First Executive Order, the Second Executive Order harms the States' families, educational institutions, economies, businesses, health care systems, religious organizations, and sovereign interests.

#### 1. Residents

When President Trump issued the First Executive Order, it immediately tore families apart, causing significant stress and financial hardships. Many families will suffer a similar fate under the Second Executive Order. They will be unable to reunite with relatives, receive visits, and plan for the future.

As a direct result of the Second Executive Order, many of the States' residents will be kept separated from immediate family members. One Washington resident, a U.S. citizen, is separated from his new wife and elderly parents who live in Iran and are awaiting green cards. Decl. of A. Shayegan ¶¶ 2-10. His plans to start a life together with his wife in Seattle were suddenly halted, and both he and his wife are suffering greatly as they do not know when they will be together. *Id.* at ¶¶ 8-12. Similarly, a New York resident, also a U.S. citizen, is separated from her new husband, a Yemeni national. Decl. of R. Althaibani ¶¶ 1, 3-6. Their separation has caused a great deal of anxiety, and all of their plans have been put on hold. *Id.* at ¶¶ 4, 14.

For many residents, the separation is particularly agonizing because their family members are in vulnerable situations. Another New York resident, a U.S. citizen, is separated

from his wife and four children who are stranded in Yemen, a country in the midst of war. Decl. of A. Elfgeeh ¶¶ 1, 4-9. He is terrified for their safety. *Id.* at ¶ 9. Another Washington resident, a dual U.S./Iranian citizen, is separated from her elderly parents who live in Iran and need her care. Decl. of S. Parsian ¶¶ 4-6, 8-11. She is heartbroken that she is unable to care for her parents in their time of need. *Id.* at ¶ 11. Similarly, another resident has elderly parents who live in Iran and are very sick. Decl. of B. Callaghan ¶ 3. She planned for them to come to the United States so that she could care for her father, but those plans are now on hold. *Id.* at ¶ 4. A third Washington resident has a 2-year-old niece who has a rare and deadly disease. Decl. of S. Dadgari ¶¶ 2-4. Her niece is in California for a clinical trial, but her niece's visa is set to expire before the clinical trial is complete. *Id.* at ¶¶ 5-6. If her niece does not get a visa extension, she will have to return to Iran and likely be unable to return for treatment. *Id.* 

These are just a handful of the many heartbreaking stories. There are countless other individuals who are desperately hoping that family members will be able to join them in the United States, or are unable to travel to visit relatives because they are in the United States on single-entry visas. *See e.g.* Decl. of Z. Rasouli ¶¶ 2, 7-8 (Washington resident waiting for sister); Decl. of N. Fallah ¶ 11 (Washington resident hoping mother can visit); Decl. of H. Ghasemzadeh Ex. A (students at Washington State University on single-entry visas and separated from families); Decl. of S. Amin ¶¶ 2, 4 (PhD Student at Cornell University on single-entry visa and separated from family); Decl. of S. Mubarez ¶¶ 2, 12 (New York resident waiting for husband); Decl. of J. Sime ¶ 9 (New York families separated because they received refugee status at different times); Decl. of E. Hassett ¶ 12 (New York families may face reunification delay of several years).

#### 2. Educational Institutions

The Second Executive Order will harm the States' educational institutions in several ways. They have hundreds of students and faculty members from the six countries affected by the Second Executive Order. *See* 4th Decl. of A. Chaudhry ¶¶ 5, 7 (Washington State

University); Decl. of J. Riedinger ¶ 5, 3d Decl. J. Riedinger ¶ 2 (University of Washington); Decl. of J. Boesenberg ¶¶ 4, 6 (Washington State community and technical colleges); Decl. of D. Galvan ¶ 7 (University of Oregon); Decl. of R. Adams ¶ 8 (Oregon State University); Decl. of M. Everett ¶ 7 (Portland State University); Decl. of D. Heatwole ¶¶ 4-6 (University of Massachusetts); Decl. of R. Lewin ¶¶ 3-4 (University of Maryland College Park); Decl. of N. Zimpher ¶ 9 (State University of New York); Decl. of V. Rabinowitz ¶ 6 (The City University of New York); 2d Amend. Compl. ¶ 55 (University of California, California State University System, and University of Southern California).

For students and faculty without multiple-entry visas, foreign travel for personal or academic reasons risks an inability to return. Decl. of V. Shah ¶¶ 5-6; Decl. of R. Lewin ¶¶ 4-6; Decl. of S. Amin ¶¶ 2, 4; 2d Decl. of R. Branon ¶ 11. As a result, some are forced to decline important academic opportunities. *See*, *e.g.*, Decl. of A. Mehrizi-Sani ¶ 3 (Iranian Ph.D. student planning on turning down 8,500 Euro research scholarship due to uncertainty about his visa). Students and faculty members will also be unable to receive visitors from the affected countries, creating significant emotional hardships and impacting their studies. *See* Decl. of V. Shah ¶ 6; Decl. of R. Lewin ¶ 5; Decl. of S. Amin ¶¶ 5-7; Decl. of S. Hemmati ¶ 7.

In addition, by banning travelers from certain countries, the Second Executive Order prevents the States' educational institutions from considering attractive student candidates or faculty from the affected countries. As a result, these institutions will lose out on exceptional student candidates, will be unable to employ faculty members with specialized expertise, and will be unable to host visiting scholars from the affected countries, which they have done in the past. *See, e.g.*, 2d Decl. of A. Chaudhry ¶ 7; 2d Decl. of J. Riedinger ¶¶ 9-10; Decl. of M. Everett ¶ 13. This deprives the institutions of the diverse perspectives that such students and scholars bring and harms the universities' educational missions as a whole.

The ban on travel also harms research projects and academic programs. University faculty members regularly conduct research in the affected countries and collaborate with

foreign scholars from those countries. *See*, *e.g.*, Decl. of J. Riedinger ¶ 8 (University of Washington); 2d Decl. of J. Wasserheit ¶ 7 (University of Washington Department of Global Health); Decl. of D. Galvan ¶ 10 (University of Oregon); Decl. of V. Rabinowitz ¶¶ 14-18 (City University of New York). This research will be impaired if scholars are unable to travel or return here, harming the universities' funding and reputation. *See*, *e.g.*, Decl. of D. Galvan ¶ 10, 12 (decrease in international collaboration will likely reduce international grants, contracts, and donations); Decl. of R. Lewin ¶ 13 (decrease in collaborative research or international students and faculty will likely affect University of Maryland College Park's global university rankings).

The universities will also have difficulty attracting and retaining faculty members and scholars. *See* Decl. of D. Galvan ¶ 11-12 (students outside the affected countries are "already signaling interest in non-US alternatives" and the University of Oregon's admissions department has reported a 15% decrease in international applications); Decl. of R. Lewin ¶ 8 (researcher with "singular expertise" accepted offer to join team at the University of Maryland College Park but backed out because of the First Executive Order). Valued faculty who are

scholars. *See* Decl. of D. Galvan ¶ 11-12 (students outside the affected countries are "already signaling interest in non-US alternatives" and the University of Oregon's admissions department has reported a 15% decrease in international applications); Decl. of R. Lewin ¶ 8 (researcher with "singular expertise" accepted offer to join team at the University of Maryland College Park but backed out because of the First Executive Order). Valued faculty who are here may not be able to stay. Some faculty members have family members in the banned countries and may have to leave their jobs in the United States if their family members can no longer visit. *See* Decl. of J. Riedinger ¶ 4 (University of Washington faculty member may find it necessary to leave the University, which would be a "very significant loss"). Other faculty members and scholars may face difficulties maintaining work authorization or renewing their visas. Decl. of M. Williams ¶ 6; Decl. of V. Rabinowitz ¶ 10. This harms the universities' ability to effectively compete with other institutions around the world.

Finally, the States' educational institutions will suffer financial harm, as they did with the First Executive Order. *See* Decl. of D. Eaton ¶ 5 (refunds on application fees); Decl. of J. Wood ¶ 8 (visa costs related to cancelled internship). Many have received applications or extended offers of admission to prospective students from these countries. *E.g.* 3d Decl. of A.

Chaudhry ¶ 4 (Washington State University); Decl. of R. Branon ¶¶ 5-6, 2d Decl. of R. Branon ¶¶ 6-10 (University of Washington's Continuum College); Decl. of D. Eaton ¶ 3 (The Graduate School of the University of Washington); Decl. of D. Galvan ¶ 11 (University of Oregon); Decl. of R. Adams ¶ 15 (Oregon State University); Decl. of M. Everett ¶¶ 15-16 (Portland State University); Decl. of M. Williams ¶ 9 (University of Massachusetts); Decl. of R. Lewin ¶ 10 (University of Maryland College Park). If these students are unable to enroll, the universities will lose application fees, program fees, and tuition revenue. *See*, *e.g.*, 2d Decl. of R. Branon ¶¶ 9-10 (Continuum College will lose program fees if accepted students cannot obtain visas in time).

# 3. Economy and Businesses

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The States' economies will also be harmed by the Second Executive Order. Barring visitors from the six countries will cost the States a substantial amount of lost tax revenue from travelers who would otherwise visit the States. See Decl. of D. Soike ¶ 11 (in 2016, more than 6,000 passengers traveled between Washington and the six banned countries); Decl. of K. Oline ¶¶ 3-7 (in 2015, travelers from the Middle East spent \$96 million in Washington, including more than \$9 million in state and local tax revenue); 2d Am. Compl. ¶ 126 (Oregon received 670,000 international travelers in 2016); 2d Amend. Compl. ¶ 63 (in 2015, California received 286,000 visitors from the Middle East, who spent approximately \$681 million generating \$49,372,500 in tax revenue); see also Decl. of A. Lavine ¶ 17 (would-be foreign tourists have canceled plans to attend events in New York because of executive orders). Tourism is particularly critical to the economy of California, supporting more than 500,000 jobs in Los Angeles alone. 2d Amend. Compl. ¶ 66. In addition, the States will lose income tax revenue from lost jobs, as several organizations will be forced to terminate employees who work with refugees. See Decl. of R. Birkel ¶ 8; Decl. of L. Po Cha ¶ 7; Decl. of H. Kenyon ¶¶ 7-8; Decl. of E. Hassett ¶ 21. The States may also lose tax revenue as a result of decreasing hospital revenues caused by physician shortages. Decl. of R. Fullerton ¶ 22.

Additionally, the States' businesses will be harmed by the Second Executive Order. For 1 | 2 example, many companies are dependent on foreign workers to operate and grow their 3 businesses. See, e.g., Decl. of A. Blackwell-Hawkins ¶¶ 3-4 (Amazon); Decl. of R. Dzielak ¶¶ 4, 7 (Expedia); Decl. of J. Simeone ¶¶ 5, 7 (Etsy); Decl. of J. Truppman ¶¶ 2-4 (Casper Sleep 4 5 Inc.). The Second Executive Order affects their ability to retain employees from the six affected countries as well as from other Muslim-majority nations, which affects their ability to 6 compete in the global marketplace. See e.g., Decl. of M. Rosenn ¶ 2-4, 8 (Kickstarter, a New 7 8 York company, anticipates that the Second Executive Order will negatively impact its ability to 9 recruit and retain employees from Muslim-majority nations); Decl. of D. Pashman ¶¶ 4, 6-8 (Meetup, New York based company, expressing similar concerns); Decl. of J. Simeone ¶¶ 5, 7 10 11 (Etsy, New York corporation, same). The uncertainty created by the Second Executive Order 12 also impacts business operations. E.g. Decl. of S. Buell  $\P$  8 (uncertainty about employees' ability to travel harms the ability of MongoDB, a New York company, to serve its customers); 13 14 see also Decl. or J. Truppman ¶¶ 5-6 (uncertainty about immigration policy imposes financial and administrative burdens on Casper Sleep Inc.). 15 16 Other businesses that will be harmed include those in real estate. Real estate companies 17 18 19 20 21 22

have already lost customers over concerns about immigration policy and President Trump's Executive Orders. Decl. of M. Saunders ¶¶ 7-15 (Washington based real estate brokerage company Redfin has lost at least five potential customers who decided not to purchase homes); See also Decl. of P. Johnson ¶ 3-7 (Washington mortgage consultant lost two clients due to First Executive Order). These businesses lose potential revenue each time a customer ends his or her home buying search before buying a home, and they will continue to incur business costs assisting and advising customers who may be affected by the Second Executive Order. See Decl. of M. Saunders ¶¶ 7, 13.

Local travel companies will also be devastated by the Second Executive Order. The uncertainty and anxiety created by the First Executive Order forced travel companies to cancel

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many trips, which significantly impaired their business and operations. Decl. of R. Zawaideh ¶¶ 3-6 (Washington travel company forced to cancel more than 20 tours, company has lost "almost all of its revenue," and business "has completely evaporated"); Decl. of S. Topiwala ¶¶ 6-9 (by forcing travel company to cancel pilgrimage to Iraq, the First Executive Order had a "significant negative financial impact" on travel company); *see also* Decl. of R. Dzielak ¶¶ 12-14 (uncertainty surrounding First Executive Order created "significant difficulties for the operation of Expedia's business"). These harms will continue as a result of the Second Executive Order.

## 4. Health Care

The Second Executive Order will harm the States' health care systems. For one, it impedes the States' efforts to ensure that residents in rural and underserved areas receive health care. Recruitment of foreign-born physicians is critical to the States' efforts to address Health Professional Shortage Areas and their need for primary care, dental health, and mental health physicians. Decl. of R. Fullerton ¶¶ 5-7, 14-19; Decl. of M. Akhtari ¶¶ 13, 16-17; Decl. of M. Overbeck ¶¶ 3-5; 2d Amend. Compl. ¶¶ 60-61. The Second Executive Order, like the first, will significantly harm recruitment efforts. *See* Decl. of M. Overbeck ¶¶ 4-7; Decl. of R. Fullerton ¶¶ 17-19. This, in turn, will harm patients in underserved areas. When there is a shortage of physicians, patients may have to delay treatment, travel long distances for care, or go without care altogether. Decl. of R. Fullerton ¶¶ 18-19.

The Second Executive Order will also harm the States' best-known health care institutions. Hundreds of physicians from the banned countries work in the States. Decl. of M. de Leon ¶¶ 6-8; Decl. of M. Akhtari ¶¶ 5-9, 14; Decl. of E. Scherzer ¶¶ 6, 12; Decl. of T. Johnson ¶ 13. The States' health care institutions will have trouble retaining these physicians and recruiting other qualified physicians. The States' health care employers have already lost highly qualified physicians due to the uncertainty created by the First Executive Order. E.g. Decl. of R. Fullerton ¶¶ 17, 19 (multiple Washington healthcare employers lost physician

candidates from the affected countries). These losses will undoubtedly continue. *See* Decl. of S. Hemmati ¶¶ 1, 4, 7-8 (postdoctoral research fellow at Cancer Research Center at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York may not be able to renew visa and will likely leave United States); Decl. of R. Eskandari ¶ 6 (postdoctoral scientist at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center unsure whether she will be able to renew visa and continue cancer research); Decl. of E. Scherzer ¶¶ 10 (medical students will likely elect to do residency abroad). As a result, these institutions will also suffer a reduction in revenue, as physicians are the central revenue generators for hospitals. Decl. of R. Fullerton ¶ 22.

The Second Executive Order will also harm the States' medical schools, particularly those that participate in the National Resident Matching Program, which includes schools in the States. *E.g.* Decl. of M. Collins, MD ¶¶ 6-9 (Massachusetts); Decl. of E. Scherzer ¶¶ 15-17 (New York); 2d Amend. Compl. ¶ 59 (California). After the First Executive Order, these institutions had significant concerns about extending residency offers to medical students from the banned countries. *See* Decl. of M. Collins, MD ¶¶ 6-9. These concerns are still present, as the Second Executive Order will ban travel for nationals from six of the seven countries.

## 5. Religious Organizations

The Second Executive Order will harm members of the States' diverse faith communities and religious organizations. Many of the States' residents perform refugee resettlement or ministry as part of an organizational or religious mission. Decl. of D. Duea ¶¶ 2, 8 (Lutheran Community Services Northwest); Decl. of Rabbi W. Berkovitz ¶¶ 1-5, 10, 12 (Jewish Family Service of Seattle); Decl. of R. Birkel ¶ 3 (Catholic Charities of Oregon). The Second Executive Order will prevent these organizations from administering services to hundreds of refugees. Decl. of D. Duea ¶¶ 7-8 (Lutheran Community Services Northwest will be unable to provide assistance to between 100 and 200 refugees); *see also* Decl. of Rabbi W. Berkovitz ¶ 13 (Jewish Family Services of Seattle expects to resettle 65 additional refugees in fiscal year 2017). By preventing these individuals and organizations from providing services to

refugees, the Second Executive Order prevents them from exercising their beliefs and fulfilling their missions. *See*, *e.g.*, Decl. of D. Duea ¶ 8 (work with refugees "is a religious calling" and one way in which [Christians] serve [their] faith"); Decl. of Rabbi W. Berkovitz ¶¶ 10 (refugee resettlement services "is a critical way that Jewish individuals and families in the Puget Sound region are able to fulfill their religious, cultural, and historical obligations").

In addition, the Second Executive Order will have a financial impact on religious organizations that provide refugee services. If refugees are not permitted to enter the United States, these organizations will lose revenue. Decl. of R. Birkel ¶¶ 5-7 (Catholic Charities of Oregon will lose \$310,000 of government funding during the 120 day period); Decl. of H. Kenyon ¶ 8 (Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon would lose \$75,000 per year in government funding). The refugee ban will also result in staffing reductions and will threaten the organizations' continued ability to operate. Decl. of D. Duea ¶ 9 (Lutheran Community Services Northwest will be forced to terminate half of its refugee assistance staff); Decl. of H. Kenyon ¶¶ 7-8 (Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon will have to terminate entire refugee resettlement staff and may have to reduce staffing in other areas); Decl. of R. Birkel ¶ 8 (Catholic Charities may terminate 7 full time employees); Decl. of L. Warren ¶¶ 17-18 (Catholic Family Center of Rochester, New York, may have to terminate employees). Reduced staffing, in turn, may also directly impact previously resettled refugee clients. Decl. of R. Birkel ¶ 10; see also J. Sime ¶ 12 (reduction in resources jeopardizes continued services for refugees in United States).

## 6. Sovereign interests

Finally, the Second Executive Order will violate the States' sovereign interests in preventing the federal government from establishing a favored or disfavored religion and in creating and enforcing anti-discrimination laws. Through their state statutory schemes, the States all prohibit discrimination on the basis of religion and national origin. *See generally* Rev. Code Wash. § 49.60.030(1); Cal. Gov. Code § 12900 *et. seq.*; Cal. Civ. Code §51; Md.

Code Ann., State Gov't § 20-101 to 1203; Md. Code Ann., State Fin. & Proc. § 19-101; Mass.
Gen. Laws, ch. 151B; N.Y. Exec. Law, art. 15; Or. Rev. Stat. § 659A.006. In addition to
enforcing these laws, the States are bound by them in their capacities as employers, educators,
and providers of public services. The breadth and generality of the ban on admission of
individuals from six countries effectively nullifies provisions of state anti-discrimination law
applicable to state-regulated entities and the States themselves. This displacement of state law
injures the core sovereignty of the States.
III. CONCLUSION
For the foregoing reasons, Washington respectfully requests that the Court grant leave
to file the Second Amended Complaint submitted concurrently herewith.
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