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Dear Ms. Katz and Mr. Gunter:

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I will continue to periodically update you on the status of your Petition. If you have any questions, please call me at (301) 415-1408.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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