UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MAINE

ELDER BENJAMIN ORTIZ SINTUJ **Petitioner,**	)	
v.	)	**Civil Action No. 2:26-cv-00027-JAW**
DERRICK STAMPER, et al **Respondents.**	)	

EMERGENCY ORDER CONCERNING
STAY OF TRANSFER OR REMOVAL

Petitioner Elder Benjamin Ortiz Sintuj has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2241(a), contending that he is being unlawfully confined in violation of the Constitution and laws of the United States.

To provide a fair opportunity for the judge assigned to this case to review the merits of the petition and to rule on any contested issues of jurisdiction, unless otherwise ordered by the assigned judge, respondents will not remove the petitioner from the jurisdiction of the United States or transfer petitioner to a judicial district outside that of Maine for a period of at least 48 hours from the time this Order is docketed.

The Clerk of this court shall serve a copy of the petition and this Order (by email) on the civil duty attorney for the United States Attorney's Office.

/s/ John A. Woodcock, Jr,
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

January 18, 2026
Time Order Entered 2:45 p.m.