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 17 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
 18 **FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
 19 **SAN JOSE DIVISION**

20 NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE, *et al.*,

21 Plaintiffs,

22 v.

23 WILBUR L. ROSS, JR., *et al.*,

24 Defendants.
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Case No. 5:20-cv-05799-LHK

**DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO ORDER
 FOR DEFENDANTS TO CHECK CERTAIN
 MATERIALS, ECF No. 423**

1 Defendants have reviewed the documents identified by the Court in its January 3, 2021
2 Order, ECF No. 423. All but five of the cited documents in the Order are files with names such
3 as “ATT0000[#].htm”. To the best of Defendants’ understanding, this type of file is
4 automatically generated by the Microsoft Exchange Server when an attachment to an email is
5 formatted “in-line” in that email. See MIT Information Systems & Technology Website, “Why
6 is Exchange creating ATT00001 attachments?”, [http://kb.mit.edu/confluence/pages/
7 viewpage.action?pageId=4981187](http://kb.mit.edu/confluence/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=4981187). While occasionally these ATT0000[#] files may contain, for
8 example, snippets of text or an email signature, they are also often blank files.

9 The remaining five documents cited in the Order (NR_0000531-535) are attachments to
10 an email thread which, at an early point in the thread, contained graphical images. As that email
11 thread progressed to and from different senders and recipients, those graphical images were no
12 longer downloaded within the body of the original email message, but were instead converted to
13 email attachments which returned blank files rather than the graphical images. A version of the
14 email thread which contains the visible graphics was produced to Plaintiffs as DOC_0024808,
15 and that document is attached here as Exhibit A for reference.

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Respectfully submitted,

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