### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

GHASSAN ALASAAD et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

KEVIN McALEENAN, Acting Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, in his official capacity et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 17-cv-11730-DJC

Hon. Denise J. Casper

# PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS' STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS AND REPLY IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 56(c) and Local Rule 56.1, Plaintiffs hereby submit their Response to Defendants' Statement of Undisputed Material Facts, ECF No. 98 ("Def. SUMF"), and their Reply in support of Plaintiffs' Statement of Undisputed Material Facts, ECF No. 90-2 ("Pl. SUMF"). Although Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' characterizations of certain evidence, or dispute that certain facts are material, Plaintiffs do not contend that there are any issues of material fact to be tried.

# PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS' STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS

#### FACTS RELATING TO PLAINTIFF' CONSTITUTIONAL CLAIMS

Defendants' Mission Responsibilities:

Defendant, Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"), through its components U.S.
 Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
 ("ICE"), has broad powers to prevent the entry of terrorists, and the instruments of terrorism into

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 2 of 99 the United States and to enforce numerous criminal and civil federal laws at the border. *See* 6 U.S.C. § 202, § 211.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs do not dispute that Defendants have the authority to enforce certain laws at the border. Plaintiffs dispute the characterization of Defendants' statutory authority and refer the Court to the relevant statutes themselves. Plaintiffs clarify that the scope of Defendants' statutory authority is circumscribed by the Constitution.

2. CBP's law enforcement mission is primarily interdictive in nature – identifying and mitigating threats to border security and stopping prohibited and restricted goods and persons from crossing the border, while facilitating and expediting the flow of legitimate travelers and trade. *See* Declaration of Randy J. Howe ("Howe Decl.) ¶ 7 (Ex. A); 6 U.S.C. § 211.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is a legal assertion and/or opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs do not dispute that CBP's mandate includes preventing prohibited goods and inadmissible persons from entering the United States, while facilitating the flow of legitimate travelers and trade. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' characterization of their statutory authority and refer the Court to the relevant statutes themselves. Plaintiffs clarify that the scope of Defendants' statutory authority is circumscribed by the Constitution.

3. CBP is responsible for enforcing criminal and civil laws and administering comprehensive regulatory schemes relating to immigration, custom, international trade, child pornography, drug smuggling, weapons trafficking, financial crimes as well as national security and terrorism. Howe Decl. ¶ 7. CBP also enforces a host of other laws at the border on behalf of various federal agencies. *Id. See, e.g.*, 31 U.S.C. § 5317; 19 CFR 161.2(a); 19 CFR Part 12.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs do not dispute that CBP is responsible for enforcing certain laws at the border. Plaintiffs dispute the characterization of Defendants' statutory authority and refer the Court to the relevant statutes themselves. Plaintiffs clarify that the scope of Defendants' statutory authority is circumscribed by the Constitution.

4. ICE's Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), is principal investigative arm of DHS and is charged with securing the United States from transnational criminal threats. HSI's mission is to investigate, disrupt, and dismantle terrorist, transnational, and other criminal organizations that threaten or seek to exploit the customs and immigration laws of the United States. HSI enforces a diverse portfolio of federal laws, including all types of cross-border criminal activity. Declaration of David L. Denton ("Denton Decl.") ¶ 5 (Ex. B).

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs do not dispute that HSI enforces certain laws at the border. Plaintiffs dispute the characterization of HSI's authority, for which Defendants identify no statutory basis. Plaintiffs clarify that the

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 4 of 99 scope of HSI's authority is circumscribed by the Constitution.
- 5. To accomplish their mission responsibilities. CBP officers and/or ICE Special Agents may conduct an inspection of the traveler and his or her personal belongings, including any electronic devices. Howe Decl. ¶ 7, 17, 21–23; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 6–7, 11; *see generally* PIA dated August 25, 2009 ("2009 PIA") at Bates 221–22 (Ex. C.).

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Plaintiffs do not dispute that travelers are subject to inspection at the border. Plaintiffs clarify that such inspection, including any search of electronic devices, is subject to statutory and constitutional limits.

### **Defendants' Policies:**

6. In August 2009, CBP and ICE issued policies on their longstanding authority to search and inspect electronic devices at the international border. *See generally* Border Searches of Electronic Devices, ICE Directive 10044.1 (also known as ICE Directive No. 7-6.1) (Aug. 18, 2009) (Ex. D); Border Search of Electronic Devices Containing Information, CBP Directive No. 3340-049, (Aug. 20, 2009) (Ex. E);

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Plaintiffs do not dispute that CBP and ICE issued device-search policies in 2009. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' characterization of their border search authority as including warrantless or suspicionless searches of electronic devices, which is additionally a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1.

7. In January, 2018, CBP revised its Directive. *See* Border Search of Electronic Devices, CBP Directive No. 3340-049A, (Jan 4, 2018) ("2018 CBP Directive") (Ex. F). Specifically, 2018 CBP Directive, among other things, (1) clarified the scope of CBP border searches of electronic devices and explicitly stated that measures would be taken to avoid accessing

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 5 of 99 information only stored remotely (*e.g.*, on the "cloud"); (2) distinguished between different types of searches (basic and advanced); and (3) applied a heightened standard for advanced searches (reasonable suspicion or national security concern). *See id.* ¶ 5.1.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement with regard to "a heightened standard" lacks support in the cited record materials per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. Plaintiffs dispute that the CBP 2018 Directive uses the word "heightened" and further dispute, as a legal matter, that the Directive's "national security concern" standard is a "heightened" standard. Otherwise, no dispute.

8. The updated CBP Directive defines an "advanced search" as any search in which an officer connects external equipment, through a wired or wireless connection, to an electronic device, not merely to gain access to the device, but to review, copy and/or analyze its contents. *Id.* § 5.1.4. A basic search is any border search that is not an advanced search. *Id.* § 5.1.3. The updated Directive further clarified that an advanced search should only be conducted where there is reasonable suspicion of activity in violation of the laws enforced or administered by CBP and ICE or in which there is a national security concern, and requires advance supervisory approval *Id.* § 5.1.4.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Plaintiffs dispute that the CBP 2018 Directive mentions laws enforced or administered by ICE. Otherwise, no dispute.

9. ICE uses the same definitions of basic and advanced searches and only conducts advanced searches when there is reasonable suspicion. Stipulated Facts ¶¶ 1, 14. (Ex. G); Denton Decl. ¶ 11; HSI Legal Update – Border Search of Electronic Devices, May 11, 2018 at Bates 1266-67.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Plaintiffs do not dispute that ICE uses the same definitions of basic and advanced searches as CBP, and that ICE policy

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- 10. These policies have been carefully crafted to provide the Government, through DHS and its components, with the tools necessary to secure the nation's border, while simultaneously striving to protect personal privacy. *See* PIA, January 4, 2018 at Bates 0174-0195 (Ex. H).

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement includes legal assertions and/or opinions for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs dispute that Defendants' policies permitting warrantless, suspicionless searches of electronic devices are necessary to border security, *see* Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 92–119, or protective of personal privacy, *see id.* at ¶¶ 63–80.

11. These policies permit CBP Officers and ICE Special Agents to search information contained in electronic devices subject to the guidelines set forth in the policy directives and any other applicable laws. See ICE Directive  $\P$  6.1; CBP Directive  $\P$  4, 5.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute. Plaintiffs clarify that the CBP and ICE policies, and "any other applicable laws," are subject to constitutional limits.

12. The policies recognize that it is not always possible to complete the search of a traveler's electronic device while he or she waits at the border. ICE Directive ¶ 6.1; CBP Directive ¶ 5.4. The policies therefore require the searches of detained devices to be completed, in a reasonable

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**Plaintiffs' Response:** Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' characterization of what the policies "recognize." Plaintiffs refer the Court to Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 11, 12, and 21.

#### Border Searches:

13. Border inspections are unique and unlike any other law enforcement activity. CBP's mission to inspect all people and things that cross the border must be balanced with its mission to facilitate the flow of travelers and trade. Howe Decl. ¶ 8; 6 U.S.C. § 211.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is a legal assertion and/or opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs dispute, as a legal matter, that border inspections are unlike any other law enforcement activity. Plaintiffs further clarify that the referenced statutory authority is circumscribed by the Constitution.

14. Over one million travelers per day go through U.S. ports of entry, and CBP has limited to no advance information about these travelers. The sheer volume of people and merchandise passing through the border each day means CBP has a limited amount of time to determine the specific law enforcement actions appropriate for each encounter. Howe Decl. ¶ 8.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Plaintiffs do not dispute Defendants' assessment of the approximate volume of travelers who transit U.S. ports of entry. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement that CBP "has limited to no advance information" about travelers. *See* Exh. 49 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 159:23–161:8 (ICE and CBP have access to the Advance Passenger

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 8 of 99 Information System ("APIS"), which provides information about passengers traveling by air prior to their arrival); Exh. 23, ECF No. 91-22 (Privacy Impact Assessment for the Automated Targeting System ("ATS")) at Bates 998 (ATS ingests data from the APIS); Pl. SUMF at \$\\$\\$128, 36\\$-44 (ATS generates "lookouts" that prompt referrals of travelers to secondary inspection). Plaintiffs do not dispute that CBP has a limited amount of time to undertake any law enforcement actions during encounters with travelers at the border.
- 15. CBP officers evaluate the totality of the circumstances for each encounter at the border and will consider every piece of relevant information available to determine if the person and goods are admissible into the United States, if there is a violation of any of the laws CBP enforces, or if there is a threat to border security. Howe Decl. ¶¶ 10, 14-16. The ability to engage in these actions and the discretion to determine based on the totality of the circumstances which actions are appropriate in a given inspection is crucial to CBP's ability to secure the border and identify and interdict threats to national security. *Id.* ¶ 16.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs do not dispute that CBP's policy is for officers to evaluate the totality of the circumstances during encounters at the border, and to consider all relevant information available in determining whether a person or goods are admissible into the United States, if there is a violation of the any of the laws CBP enforces, or if there is a threat to border security. To the extent that Defendants assert CBP officers evaluate the totality of the circumstances in every instance, that assertion lacks support in the record per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1; Plaintiffs dispute that assertion and further dispute that it is material. The second sentence is a statement

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 9 of 99 of opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Defendants' reference to "these actions" is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs do not dispute that CBP officers exercise some discretion in determining which actions to take during a given inspection. To the extent the "actions" include searches of electronic devices, Plaintiffs dispute that such searches are "crucial to CBP's ability to secure the border and identify and interdict threats to national security." *See* Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 92–98 (non-prevalence of digital contraband at the border); 99–102 (lack of evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective); 103–119 (feasibility of obtaining warrants and/or applying probable cause and reasonable suspicion standards).

16. TECS is CBP's principal law enforcement and anti-terrorism database system used at the border to assist with inspections and determinations regarding admissibility of arriving persons. Howe Decl. ¶ 9. TECS includes law enforcement "lookouts" and other records entered by CBP and other law enforcement agencies regarding persons of interest. *Id.* TECS also includes law enforcement records documenting certain inspections conducted by CBP at the border, including border searches of electronic devices. *Id.* 

# **Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

17. CBP's documentation of its inspections are official government records made by the agency to evidence the decisions made and activities undertaken by CBP during the course of the encounter. Howe Decl. ¶ 9.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Defendants' statement is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 10 of 99 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: no dispute. Plaintiffs clarify that such records, including TECS records, may be subject to expungement if collected in violation of the Constitution.

18. Upon arrival at a port of entry, at the primary point of inspection, CBP Officers inspect travelers' documentation (e.g., passport, customs declaration), ask questions regarding their travel and search CBP systems for relevant information. Howe Decl. ¶12. At primary, a CBP Officer may conduct limited queries of information maintained in TECS. *Id.* The information available to an officer at primary does not generally include information relating to past border searches of electronic devices. *Id.* 

Plaintiffs' Response: No dispute.

19. If CBP has advance information about travelers or merchandise, CBP compares the advance information against law enforcement and intelligence information and conducts risk assessments to identify travelers or merchandise that warrant additional scrutiny, and a "lookout" can be placed in the TECs system to advise officers to perform additional scrutiny. Howe Decl. ¶ 11.

Plaintiffs' Response: To the extent Defendants assert that travelers or merchandise that are the subjects of "lookouts" actually warrant additional scrutiny in all instances, that assertion lacks support in the record per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1; Plaintiffs dispute that assertion and further dispute that it is material. Otherwise, no dispute.

20. CBP has little to no advance travel information about individuals traveling across land ports of entry. Howe Decl. ¶ 33.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

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21. The vast majority of border searches of electronic devices are basic searches that may be as short as a matter of minutes and that may involve briefly scrolling through the device. Howe Decl. ¶ 31. In many instances, a brief, basic search is sufficient to alleviate – or heighten – concerns presented during a border inspection. *Id*.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs refer the Court to Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 53 and 54, which set forth the precise numbers of basic and advanced device searches CBP conducted in fiscal years 2012 through 2017.

Plaintiffs clarify that ICE does not maintain records of the number of basic searches it conducts, *see* Pl. SUMF at ¶ 56, and therefore cannot identify what percentage of the overall number of device searches it conducts are basic searches. Plaintiffs do not dispute that basic searches of electronic devices may be as short as "a matter of minutes" but Plaintiffs clarify that Defendants place no limit on how long a basic search may take. *See* Exh. 50 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 140:16–18 (Q: "Are there limits on how long a basic search can take?" A: "Not until we're satisfied."). Defendants' reference to "many instances" is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs do not dispute that a basic search could alleviate or heighten concerns during a border inspection.

22. Given the volume of travelers that CBP processes, and in order to ensure efficiency, if based on his or her extensive training and experience, a CBP officer determines that additional scrutiny beyond the brief initial encounter is warranted, the traveler will be referred for a continuation of their inspection, often referred to as "secondary" or "secondary inspection." Howe Decl. ¶ 13. A secondary inspection is a continuation of the border inspection and an officer may refer any traveler to secondary inspection. *Id*.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' characterization of

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- 23. At secondary, the CBP officer may run law enforcement queries through TECS and other CBP systems. Howe Dec. ¶ 13. The information available to officers at secondary includes the same types of information available at primary, but may also include additional records relating to prior encounters between the traveler and CBP. Howe Decl. ¶13.

#### **Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

24. CBP shares it border search authority with ICE whose HSI Special Agents are also designated as customs officers and immigration officers, in addition to being criminal investigators. Where circumstances warrant, CBP Officers may notify ICE HIS of a matter encountered during the course of a border inspection and ICE HSI agents may engage in additional follow-up investigation, particularly where the matter may be a candidate for criminal prosecution Howe Decl. ¶ 18; Denton Decl. ¶ 12.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement regarding ICE's border search authority is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs do not dispute that ICE designates HSI agents as customs officers, immigration officers, and "criminal investigators." Plaintiffs also do not dispute that CBP officers sometimes notify HSI of a matter encountered during the course of a border inspection, and that HSI agents then engage in follow-up investigation. To the extent Defendants assert that "circumstances warrant" such notification and/or follow-up investigation in all instances, that assertion lacks support in the record per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1; Plaintiffs dispute that

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25. HSI does not undertake border searches to uncover evidence of crimes that lack a nexus to the border. Denton Decl. ¶ 10. However, during a border search HSI Special Agents may encounter evidence of crimes that have no border nexus and may share the information with the agency responsible for enforcing or administering the applicable law or, as federal law enforcement officers generally empowered to enforce federal criminal law, act on it themselves. *Id.* 

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs dispute that "HSI does not undertake border searches to uncover evidence of crimes that lack a nexus to the border." *See* Def. Resp. to Pl. SUMF, ECF No. 98 at ¶ 84 (ICE conducts warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices to find evidence of law violations unrelated to the border when it is "also investigating that individual for violation of a cross-border crime within the jurisdiction of ICE"). Plaintiffs do not dispute that HSI agents sometimes share information with the agency responsible for enforcing or administering the applicable law, or that HSI agents sometimes act on such information themselves. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' characterization of HSI agents as "officers generally empowered to enforce federal criminal law."

26. Prior to conducting a border search, HSI Special Agents can review information on a traveler contained in various government systems, including CBP's record systems and in ICE's Investigative Case Management System (ICM). Denton Decl. ¶ 14.

#### **Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

27. ICM is a system that enables ICE personnel to create an electronic case file that organizes and links all records and documents associated with an investigation, so they are easily

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#### **Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

28. When a border search is conducted, HSI Special Agents must record the occurrence of a search in ICE's Investigation Case Management System (ICM). Denton Decl. ¶15. Special Agents can also record in ICM their impressions of the search or notable observations. *Id*.

# **Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

29. ICM does not contain the forensic copies of the data on any electronic device, which are stored separately. Denton Decl. ¶ 15. ICM only contains the descriptions that a Special Agent may make of what is observed during a search. *Id.* These federal records are maintained in accordance with section 8.5(1)(b) of ICE Directive 10044.1. *Id.* 

Plaintiffs' Response: No dispute as to the first and second sentences. The third sentence is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: To the extent Defendants assert that ICM records are maintained in accordance with section 8.5(1)(b) of ICE Directive 10044.1in all instances, that assertion lacks support in the record per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1; Plaintiffs dispute that assertion and further dispute that it is material. Plaintiffs further clarify that such records may be subject to expungement if collected in violation of the Constitution.

30. In FY 2017, CBP conducted 30,524 border searches of electronic devices and processed more than 397 million arriving international travelers; only approximately 0.007% of arriving travelers had their devices searched. Less than 3,500 of those searches were advanced searches.

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See Stipulated Facts 13; Response to Interrog. 6. (Ex. I). In that same year, ICE conducted only
681 advanced searches. Stipulated Facts 15.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

Warrantless Border Searches of Electronic Devices Support Defendants' Mission

31. All persons, conveyances, cargo, baggage, personal effects and merchandise of every description may be subject to a border inspection, inbound or outbound. Howe Decl.  $\P$  21. This may include things as varied as a shipping container, a mobile home, a suitcase, or a purse, along with any items these things might contain. *Id*.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute. Plaintiffs clarify that border inspections are subject to statutory and constitutional limits.

32. As international travelers carry more electronic devices, there is a greater likelihood that information that was previously maintained in hard copy form, and easily accessible to CBP Officers, is now maintained electronically. Howe Decl. ¶ 26.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement lacks foundation and is an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs do not dispute that some information previously maintained in hard copy form is now maintained electronically. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' unsupported assertions regarding the "likelihood" that information that was previously maintained in hard copy form is now maintained electronically, and the ease with which CBP officers previously accessed information in hard copy form, which lack support in the record per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. Plaintiffs refer the Court to Pl. SUMF at ¶ 63–64 (volume and range of information stored in

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33. Electronic devices themselves are merchandise and can contain both merchandise and evidence relating to merchandise. There is a myriad of electronic devices, such as computers, phones, tablets, flash drives, and SD Cards, which can all be encountered at the border. Denton Decl. ¶ 7; Howe Decl. ¶ 23, 25.

Plaintiffs' Response: The first sentence is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs dispute, as a legal matter, that all electronic devices themselves are merchandise, and further dispute that this is a material fact. Defendants' statement that electronic devices can contain merchandise is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs do not dispute that electronic devices can contain evidence related to merchandise. No dispute as to the second sentence.

34. Electronic border device searches advance the Defendants interest in stopping contraband because electronic devices can contain illegal goods just as easily as any other container. *See* Howe Decl. ¶¶ 23, 39; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 7-8, 16.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs do not dispute that electronic devices can contain illegal content in the form of digital data but do dispute that such illegal content is the equivalent of "illegal goods" stored in a physical container. Plaintiffs dispute, as a legal matter, that warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices sufficiently advance Defendants' interests or outweigh the extraordinary privacy interests

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 17 of 99 travelers have in their devices. *See* Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 63–76 (sensitivity of content and invasiveness of searches); 92–98 (non-prevalence of digital contraband at the border); 99–102 (lack of evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective); 103–119 (feasibility of obtaining warrants and/or applying probable cause and reasonable suspicion standards).
- 35. Electronic devices can contain many types of "digital contraband" such as child pornography, classified information, and counterfeit media. *See* Howe Decl. ¶ 23.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' assertion that electronic devices can contain "many" types of digital contraband, which lacks foundation and is not supported by the record. Plaintiffs do not dispute that electronic devices can contain more than one type of digital contraband. Plaintiffs note that Defendants' declarant, when testifying as a Rule 30(b)(6) witness on behalf of Defendant CBP, did not identify types of digital contraband other than child pornography. Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 62:8–66:15.

36. Electronic devices can also contain evidence of contraband, such as child pornography or items that violate intellectual property rights; classified information; export controlled material, drug trafficking, firearm smuggling, and export control violations. Howe Decl. ¶ 23-24, 28, 30; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 24-27.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs dispute that Defendants' statement accurately characterizes the cited material. The Howe Declaration states, "Electronic devices can also contain records which constitute evidence of a crime or other legal violation," which Plaintiffs do not dispute. Exh. A, ECF No. 98-1 (Howe Decl.) at ¶ 23.

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37. Defendants' searches of electronic devices at the border have successfully uncovered threats to national security, information pertaining to terrorism, illegal activities, contraband, and the inadmissibility of people and things. Howe Decl. ¶¶ 27-30; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 16, 24-27.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement because it lacks foundation per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c)(2)/Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Defendants' reference to "threats to national security" and "information pertaining to terrorism" are vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs do not dispute that border searches of electronic devices have uncovered digital contraband. Plaintiffs refer the Court to Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 92–98 (non-prevalence of digital contraband at the border); 99–102 (lack of evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective).

38. There have been numerous instances where CBP conducted searches without any advance information or suspicion and found evidence that revealed threats to national and/or border security. Howe Decl. ¶ 28.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs do not dispute that the Howe Declaration provides this assertion. Defendants' reference to "numerous instances" and "threats to national and/or border security" are vague and ambiguous. Defendants' reference to "evidence" in the context of "threats to national and/or border security"—*i.e.*, absent an indication that a traveler was carrying contraband or engaged in illegal activity—is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs refer the Court to Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 92–98 (non-prevalence of digital contraband at the border); 99–102 (lack of evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective).

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39. There have been numerous instances where CBP conducted searches without any advance information or suspicion and found evidence that contradicted an individual's state purpose for travel to the United States. Howe Decl. ¶ 29.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Defendants' statement lacks foundation. Defendants' reference to "numerous instances" is vague and ambiguous. Defendants' reference to "evidence" in the context of "an individual's state [sic] purpose for travel to the United States" is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs dispute that Defendants' statement accurately characterizes the cited material. Paragraph 29 of the Howe Declaration states, "I am also personally familiar with situations in which CBP Officers exercised their discretion to refer an individual for additional scrutiny and the resulting search of the subject's electronic device revealed information that clearly contradicted the individual's stated purpose for travel to the United States," which Plaintiffs do not dispute, but Plaintiffs do dispute that this testimony supports Defendants' statement of fact that the searches were done "without any advance information or suspicion." Exh. A, ECF No. 98-1 (Howe Decl.) at ¶ 29. Plaintiffs refer the Court to Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 2 (admissibility of U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents); 99–102 (lack of evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective).

40. There have been numerous instances where CBP conducted searches without any advance information or suspicion and found evidence that could be used to support a criminal prosecution, such as child pornography, narcotics. Howe Decl. ¶ 30.

**Plaintiffs' Response:** Defendants' statement lacks foundation.

Defendants' reference to "numerous instances" is vague and ambiguous.

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 20 of 99 Plaintiffs dispute that Defendants' statement accurately characterizes the cited material. Paragraph 30 of the Howe Declaration states, "I am aware of instances where border searches of electronic devices have revealed information that was used to support a criminal prosecution," which Plaintiffs do not dispute, but Plaintiffs do dispute that this testimony supports Defendants' statement of fact that the searches were done "without any advance information or suspicion." Exh. A, ECF No. 98-1 (Howe Decl.) at ¶ 30.
- 41. Electronic devices can also contain information that facilitates the execution of the non-criminal aspects of CBP's mission, which includes the enforcement of civil and administrative legal requirements. Howe Decl. ¶ 30.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' reference to "information that facilitates the execution of the non-criminal aspects of CBP's mission" is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs do not dispute that electronic device searches have, in some instances, revealed information relevant to the enforcement of civil and administrative legal requirements.

42. Border search authority is a crucial tool and requiring a warrant for all border searches of electronic devices would significantly impede CBP's and ICE's missions. Howe Decl. ¶¶ 26, 32; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 18, 23-27.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement lacks foundation and is an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: The phrase "significantly impede" is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs dispute that warrantless or suspicionless searches of electronic devices are a "crucial tool" or that requiring a warrant for

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 21 of 99 such searches would "significantly impede CBP's and ICE's missions."

  See Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 92–98 (non-prevalence of digital contraband at the border); 99–102 (lack of evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective); 103–119 (feasibility of obtaining warrants and/or applying probable cause and reasonable suspicion standards).
- Due to the differences between a typical law enforcement encounter and the border, it is highly unlikely that probable cause exists in the border context. First, a border search is generally not a search where the places and things to be searched can be particularly described in advance, as required in a warrant, but is a search of the individual and her belongings as she chooses to present them at the border. Second, the things to be searched at the border are not those identified, described, and targeted by the government, but whatever the traveler chooses to carry with her across the border between nations. Denton Decl ¶ 22; Howe Decl. ¶¶ 33-34.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement because it lacks foundation per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c)(2)/Local Rule 56.1 and is an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c)(1) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: The phrase "highly unlikely" is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs note that the CBP 2018 Directive contemplates probable cause to seize and retain an electronic device based on "facts and circumstances" other than information derived from the device itself. Exh. 19, ECF No. 91-18 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.5.1.1, Bates 121. Finally, Defendants' statement is immaterial, in that it assumes that a warrant and/or probable cause must be obtained prior to a traveler's arrival at the border. Plaintiffs' claims entail no such requirement. See Am. Compl., ECF No. 7 at ¶¶ 169, 171, 173.

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44. A warrant necessarily requires advance information to support the probable cause determination, requires the time and deliberateness associated with review by a neutral magistrate, and requires the identification of a specific person or thing to be searched and the particular crime that is implicated. In a border environment, such advance information necessary to support probable cause for search is often minimal. Howe Decl. ¶ 34.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement that "a warrant necessarily requires advance information;" that statement lacks foundation and is immaterial, in that it assumes that a warrant and/or probable cause must be obtained prior to a traveler's arrival at the border. Plaintiffs' claims entail no such requirement. *See* Am. Compl., ECF No. 7 at ¶¶ 169, 171, 173. *See also* Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 103–119 (feasibility of obtaining warrants and/or applying probable cause and reasonable suspicion standards).

45. A warrant requirement is impractical, if not impossible, for the government to obtain because the what, where, how, and when she presents herself and her possessions at the border is generally not knowable to the government in advance. Denotn Decl ¶ 22; Howe Decl. ¶¶ 34.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement lacks foundation and is an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: The phrase "impractical, if not impossible" is vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement and further dispute that it is material, in that it assumes that the basis for a warrant must be "knowable to the government in advance." Plaintiffs' claims entail no such requirement. *See* Am. Compl., ECF No. 7, at ¶¶ 169, 171, 173. *See also* Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 103–119 (feasibility of obtaining warrants

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 23 of 99 and/or applying probable cause and reasonable suspicion standards).
- A6. Requiring a warrant for electronic devices at the border would have serious consequences for border security by creating a category of, and a container for, merchandise immune from border search. Such an obvious loophole in the ability of the United States to patrol its borders would create a safe-haven for contraband and evidence and inevitably result in exploitation by criminals, terrorists, and transnational criminal organizations to smuggle merchandise, contraband, and evidence of criminal conspiracies into and out of the United States. Denton Decl. ¶¶ 18, 23; Howe Decl. ¶ 32, 35.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is speculative and is an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: The phrases "serious consequences," "obvious loophole," and "safe-haven" are vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement, which lacks foundation, in that it wrongly assumes that digital contraband must and will transit borders via travelers' electronic devices. *See* Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 95–98 (transmission of digital contraband via the internet).

47. A warrant requirement would obviate the deterrent effect of border searches when it comes to electronic devices and incentivize criminals to store contraband or other evidence of illegal goods on their electronic devices. *See* Howe Decl. ¶¶ 38, 43; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 18, 23.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is speculative and an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement, which lacks foundation in assuming that Defendants' current policies create a

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 24 of 99 meaningful deterrent effect, and that digital contraband must and will transit borders via travelers' electronic devices. *See* Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 95–98 (transmission of digital contraband via the internet).
- 48. A warrant requirement would impose entirely unknown logistical and resource requirements on Defendants. Howe Decl. ¶¶ 34, 36; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 19-22.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is speculative and an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs dispute that Defendants' statement accurately characterizes the cited declarations. Plaintiffs further dispute that a warrant requirement would impose "entirely unknown" requirements. Plaintiffs refer the Court to Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 103–115 (feasibility of obtaining warrants in similar contexts).

49. A warrant requirement for border searches of electronic devices would likely impede CBP's ability to expeditiously complete certain border inspections; would likely prevent CBP from detecting electronic contraband; and would deprive the federal government of crucial information, including terrorism related information, that informs admissibility determinations relating to both people and goods. Howe Decl. ¶¶ 32, 36-38.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' statement is speculative and is an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: The phrases "crucial information" and "terrorism related information" are vague and ambiguous. Plaintiffs dispute Defendants' statement, which lacks foundation. *See* Pl. SUMF ¶¶ 95–98 (transmission of digital contraband via the internet); 99–102 (lack of

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 25 of 99 evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective);

  103–119 (feasibility of obtaining warrants and/or applying probable cause and reasonable suspicion standards).
- 50. A warrant requirement would threaten the security of this country. Defendants have on numerous occasions interdicted contraband and criminals through use of device border searches, and in most, if not all, of these instances the Government did not have a warrant or probable cause to conduct the search at issue. *See* Howe Decl. ¶ 27-30; Denton Decl. ¶¶ 24-27.

Plaintiffs' Response: Defendants' first sentence is speculative and is an opinion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: The phrase "threaten the security of this country" is vague and ambiguous. Defendants' second sentence lacks foundation, and Plaintiffs dispute that it accurately characterizes the cited declarations, which neither set forth "numerous occasions" in which Defendants interdicted contraband nor identify data indicating that the government lacked probable cause in "most, if not all" such instances.

See Pl. SUMF at ¶¶ 92–98 (non-prevalence of digital contraband at the border); 99–102 (lack of evidence that warrantless, suspicionless device searches are effective); 103–119 (feasibility of obtaining warrants and/or applying probable cause and reasonable suspicion standards).

#### FACTS RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL PLAINTIFFS:

51. Out of the eleven Plaintiffs, seven have had their electronic devices searched at the border only once (Plaintiffs Ghassan Alasaad, Allababidi, Bikkannavar, Gach, Shilby, Wright, and Zorri). *See* Pls. SUMF ¶¶ 120-149 (ECF 90-2).

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52. Four have had their electronic devices searched at the border more than once (Plaintiffs Merchant, Nadia Alasaad, Dupin and Kushkush). *See* Pls. SUMF ¶¶ 121, 123, 129, 130, 134, 135, 137, 140, 141, 142 (ECF 90-2).

**Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

53. Except for Plaintiff Merchant, none of the Plaintiffs have had their electronic devices searched since August 2017. *See* Pls. SUMF ¶¶ 120-149. (ECF 90-2)

**Plaintiffs' Response:** No dispute.

54. Plaintiff Merchant did have her electronic device manually searched in September, 2018 but she has travelled internationally at least five times since her most recent search and has not been searched during any of those trips. *See* Ex. J, Merchant Resp. to Interrogs. 1, 4; Merchant Suppl. Resp. to Interrogs. 1, 4, 7.

Plaintiffs' Response: Plaintiffs do not dispute that Plaintiff Merchant has not been subjected to a search of her electronic devices by Defendants during her international trips subsequent to September 2018. *See* Exh. J, ECF No. 98-10 (Merchant responses to Interrogatories 1, 4 and Merchant supplemental responses to Interrogatories 1, 4, and 7).

55. Defendants deleted all copies of Plaintiff Wright's data. Declaration of Jenny Tsang, (Ex.

L).

Plaintiffs' Response: No dispute.

# PLAINTIFFS' REPLY IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS

I. <u>Defendants' Policies and Practices on Border Searches and Confiscations of</u>

<u>Travelers' Electronic Devices</u>

#### A. <u>CBP Screening</u>

1. U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") officers conduct primary inspections of every person who crosses the border into the United States at a port of entry. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 85:3–12.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute the characterization as a "primary" inspection here, but admit that CBP officers conduct inspections of every person who crosses the border into the United States at a port of entry. *Id*.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs' reference to "primary" refers to the first point of contact for every traveler.

2. During primary inspections, CBP officers must determine whether a traveler seeking entry is admissible to the United States. U.S. citizens are by definition admissible. Lawful permanent residents, with some exceptions, are also by definition admissible. Officers must also determine whether the traveler is carrying goods subject to customs rules, such as prohibited contraband. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 35:2–5, 80:4–8, 85:3–12 & errata pages.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this determination only occurs during "primary" inspection and also dispute their characterization of the term "lawful permanent resident." Admit that U.S. citizens are by definition admissible once they establish their identity and citizenship to the satisfaction of the inspecting officer. *Id.* at 35:4-5. Aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the Unites States are also not regarded as seeking admission for purposes of

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 28 of 99 immigration laws unless certain criteria apply. *See* 8 U.S.C. §1101(a)(13)(C). Further dispute the characterization that Officers are determining "whether the traveler is carrying goods subject to customs rules, such as prohibited contraband;" all goods crossing the border are subject to inspection by customs officers. *See* 19 U.S.C. § 1401(c); *see also* Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 35:15-36::17 Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs do not dispute Defendants' characterizations of "primary" inspection and "lawful permanent resident." Defendants' statement that "all goods crossing the border are subject to inspection by customs officers" is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent that a response is deemed required: no dispute. Plaintiffs clarify that Defendants' statutory authority is subject to constitutional limits.

3. If a CBP officer at primary inspection decides that a traveler warrants further screening, the officer will refer the traveler to secondary inspection. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 87:6–18.

**Defendant's Response:** Dispute that this statement correctly characterizes the cited deposition testimony. Admit that a CBP officer at primary inspection may refer a traveler for additional scrutiny if they require further time for processing. **Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The CBP deposition testimony states that if the primary inspection officer is "unable to [make that quick and efficient determination] in a reasonable amount of time," CBP has "secondary inspection." Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 87:9–18.

Some travelers are randomly selected for referral to secondary inspection.
 Exh. 18 (CBP Briefing for Senate Committee) at Bates 282.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

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5. During secondary inspections, when deciding whether to search a traveler's device, CBP officers consider past border searches of electronic devices. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 122:4–13.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this statement correctly characterizes the cited deposition testimony which makes clear that a CBP officer considers a number of factors in deciding whether to search a traveler's device which may include past searches. *Id.* at 122:4-20.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The CBP deposition testimony states that "[t]he officer has to rely on their training, experience, and the totality of the circumstances they have before them," which also includes information about past border searches of electronic devices. *See* Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 122:4–20.

# B. The CBP Policy

6. CBP's border searches and confiscations of electronic devices are governed by CBP Directive No. 3340–049A, dated January 4, 2018 (the "CBP Policy"). Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 11, Bates 124.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute the characterization of the cited policy. Admit that CBP Directive No. 3340–049A, dated January 4, 2018 (the "CBP Policy") provides guidance and standard operating procedures for searching, reviewing, retaining, and sharing information contained in electronic devices.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs define "confiscations" as seizures of travelers' electronic devices after a traveler has left the border.

7. In an "advanced" or "forensic" search, an officer connects external

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 30 of 99 equipment to a traveler's electronic device, with a wired or wireless connection, in order to access, review, copy, and/or analyze the contents of the device. Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 1; Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.1.4, Bates 117; Exh. 20 (ICE Broadcast) at Bates 1266; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 54:14–23.

Defendants' Response: Dispute that plaintiffs correctly characterized the referenced Stipulation and refer the Court to the Stipulation and CBP 2018

Directive for an accurate statement. Do not dispute that an advanced search is defined in both the Stipulation and CBP 2018 Directive as "any search in which an Officer connects external equipment, through a wired or wireless connection, to an electronic device not merely to gain access to the device, but to review, copy, and/or analyze its contents."

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute.

8. In a "basic" or "manual" search, an officer reviews the content of a traveler's electronic device without using external equipment. Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.1.3, Bates 116; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 54:14–55:3.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that the CBP 2018 Directive uses the term "manual" to describe a search. Exh 19 at § 5.1.3 (describing a basic search). Do not dispute that the term "manual" is sometimes used to describe a basic search.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute.

9. The CBP Policy allows advanced searches of electronic devices based on either "reasonable suspicion of activity in violation of the laws enforced or administered by CBP" or a "national security concern." Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.1.4, Bates 117.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

10. The CBP Policy allows basic searches of electronic devices

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 31 of 99 without any suspicion. Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.1.3, Bates 116.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

11. The CBP Policy allows officers to retain travelers' electronic devices for

on-site or off-site searches, which "ordinarily" should not exceed five days, but can be

prolonged with supervisory approval based on "extenuating circumstances." Exh. 19 (CBP

2018 Directive) at

§§ 5.4.1–5.4.1.1, Bates 119.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

12. The CBP Policy places no ultimate limit on how long a device can be

kept for search. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 223:21–224:7.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

13. The CBP Policy permits CBP to retain information from a traveler's device

that is related to "immigration, customs, and other enforcement matters," even if there is no

probable cause to suspect a violation of law. Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.5.1.2,

Bates 121.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

14. The CBP Policy permits officers to share information retained from

electronic devices with federal, state, local, and foreign law enforcement agencies. Exh.

19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.5.1.3, Bates 122.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

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15. CBP does not know how long other government entities keep the information

they receive from CBP's border searches of electronic devices. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6)

depo.) at 200:2–12.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

16. CBP does not monitor whether other government entities impermissibly

retain the information CBP shares from border searches of electronic devices. Exh. 13 (CBP

30(b)(6) depo.) at 203:7–204:3.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

C. The ICE Policy

17. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's ("ICE") border searches and

confiscations of electronic devices are governed by ICE Directive No. 7–6.1 (also known as

ICE Policy 10044.1), dated August 18, 2009, as superseded in part by an ICE/Homeland

Security Investigations ("HSI") Broadcast, dated May 11, 2018 (collectively, the "ICE

Policy"). Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at Bates 260–69; Exh. 20 (ICE Broadcast) at Bates

1266–67; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 149:10–20,187:21–188:2.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

18. The ICE Policy allows advanced searches of electronic devices with

reasonable suspicion. Exh. 20 (ICE Broadcast) at Bates 1266-67.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

19. The ICE Policy allows basic or manual searches of electronic devices

without any suspicion. Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 6.1, Bates 261.

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Defendants' Response: Dispute that the ICE policy uses the term "manual" to describe a search. The correct term is basic. *Id*.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute.

20. When CBP turns an electronic device over to ICE for a search, ICE policy applies. Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 6.2, Bates 261; Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 2.7, Bates 114.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

21. The ICE Policy allows agents to take and retain travelers' electronic devices for on-site or off-site searches. Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 8.1(4), Bates 263. The ICE Policy states that such searches should "generally" be completed within 30 days, but can be prolonged with supervisory approval. *Id.* at § 8.3(1), Bates 263–64.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the ICE policy which requires agents "to complete the search of detained electronic devices, or copies of information therefrom, in a reasonable time give the facts and circumstances of the particular search" and refer the Court to the policy (Exh 21 §8.3) for an accurate statement.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The ICE 2009 Directive states: "Special Agents are to complete the search of detained electronic devices, or copies of information therefrom, in a reasonable time given the facts and circumstances of the particular search. Searches are generally to be completed within 30 calendar days of the date of detention, unless circumstances exist that warrant more time . . . Any detention exceeding 30 calendar days must be approved by a Group Supervisor or equivalent . . ." Exh. 21, ECF No. 91-20 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 8.3(1), Bates 263–64 (emphases added).

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22. The ICE Policy permits ICE to retain information from travelers' devices that are "relevant to immigration, customs, and other law enforcement matters." Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 8.5(1)(b), Bates 266.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that the ICE policy permits retention of information to the extent authorized by law and if retention is consistent with the privacy and data protection policies of the system in which the information is retained. *Id.* 

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute. The ICE 2009 Directive states: "To the extent authorized by law, ICE may retain information relevant to immigration, customs, and other law enforcement matters in ICE systems if such retention is consistent with the privacy and data protection policies of the system in which such information is retained." Exh. 21, ECF No. 91-20 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 8.5(1)(b), Bates 266.

23. The ICE Policy states that copies of information from travelers' devices that are "determined to be of no relevance to ICE" must be destroyed, and the destruction must be documented. Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 8.5(1)(e), Bates 267.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

24. The ICE Policy permits ICE to share information retained from electronic devices with federal, state, local, and foreign law enforcement agencies. Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 8.5(1)(c), Bates 266.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that the ICE policy allows sharing of information in accordance with applicable law and policies.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute. The ICE 2009 Directive states: "Copies of information from electronic devices, or portions thereof, which are retained in accordance with this

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 35 of 99 section, may be shared by ICE with Federal, state, local, or foreign law enforcement agencies in accordance with applicable law and policy." Exh. 21, ECF No. 91-20 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 8.5(1)(c), Bates 266.

#### D. <u>Border Screening Databases</u>

#### 1. <u>CBP's TECS</u>

25. TECS is CBP's main database. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 46:9–11. It facilitates the maintenance and sharing of law enforcement records. *Id.* at 47:5–15.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

26. TECS includes information about prior encounters between CBP officers and travelers at the U.S. border. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 119:7–17.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

27. TECS includes "lookouts" created by CBP or other government agencies. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 98:20–99:7; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 211:14–22.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

28. A "lookout" is an alert about a traveler or vehicle that is entered into a database by CBP, ICE, or another law enforcement agency. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 97:5–11; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 205:2–23; Exh. 22 (CBP 2018 PIA) at Bates 177.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

29. At primary inspection, CBP officers query TECS to identify "lookouts" and

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 36 of 99 recent border crossings. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 85:14–86:24, 93:12–19.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

30. If a traveler has a "lookout," the primary inspection CBP officer will refer the traveler to secondary inspection. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 101:25–102:12; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 206:19–207:19. A CBP officer may also refer the traveler to ICE. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 205:2–23, 207:22–208:3, 209:6–210:2.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute characterization that all travelers with a "lookout" will be referred to secondary inspection. Admit that a "lookout" may result in a referral to secondary inspection.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The CBP deposition testimony states that a lookout "would" result in an individual being referred to secondary inspection. Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 101:25–102:3, 102:8–12. The ICE deposition testimony states that a lookout "might" result in an individual being referred to secondary inspection. Exh. 14, ECF No. 91-13 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 206:19–207:19.

31. "Lookouts" can be a reason why some travelers are subjected to border searches of their electronic devices. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 103:15–104:2, 208:5–10.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiff's characterization that "travelers are subjected to border searches" but admit that "lookouts" can be a reason why CBP conducts a border search of an electronic device.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute.

32. "Lookouts" last as long as CBP deems them pertinent. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 101:19–23.

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**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

33. CBP officers use TECS to document border searches of electronic devices.

Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 90:15–21, 119:18–21. This includes the officers' reasons for

search, id. at 125:19 –126:18, 151:5–11, and information the officers discover that they deem

of law enforcement benefit, id. at 169:19–21. See also Exh. 22 (CBP 2018 PIA) at Bates 186.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

34. During secondary inspections, CBP officers consider information in

TECS, including information about prior border screenings. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6)

depo.) at 117:7–119:21.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

35. When ICE agents are deciding whether to conduct a border search of an

electronic device, they have access to information in TECS. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at

90:24-92:5.

36.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

2. **CBP's Automated Targeting System** 

CBP's Automated Targeting System ("ATS") uses "rules" to conduct

risk assessments that "flag[]" certain travelers for "additional inspection." Exh. 13 (CBP

30(b)(6) depo.) at 107:7–25. See also id. at 104:11–14, 106:8–16; Exh. 23 (CBP 2017

ATS PIA) at Bates 997, 999, 1003.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

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37. When assessing risk, ATS uses information from TECS. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 107:22–25. *See also* Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at Bates 1000.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

38. ATS provides CBP officers with access to dozens of other government databases. Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at Bates 997–99.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

39. If ATS flags a traveler, then a CBP officer conducting a primary inspection must refer the traveler to secondary inspection. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 109:4–13.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute characterization and state that a CBP officer's reason for referring a traveler to secondary inspection may be based upon a review of the results of an ATS risk assessment.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The CBP deposition testimony states: "Q. So if ATS indicates that a traveler should be referred to secondary inspection, does the officer at primary have any discretion in deciding whether to refer that person? A. No. It's a lookout that's – that informs the primary officer." Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) 109:8–13.

40. If an advanced search of an electronic device yields information that a CBP officer deems of law enforcement benefit, then the officer will copy it into ATS. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 104:18–105:2; Exh. 22 (CBP 2018 PIA) at Bates 184, 186; Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at Bates 1034; Exh. 27 (DHS OIG 2018 Report) at Bates 975.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute characterization and state that articulated in the ATS PIA, Bates 0996, a CBP Officer is authorized to include information from the border search of an electronic device in ATS if the subject of the search is of

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**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

41. ATS stores copies of data from travelers' devices, not officers'

narrative descriptions of that data. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 190:10–19.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

42. ATS stores copies of data from travelers' devices for 15 years or "the life

of the law enforcement matter," whichever is longer. Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at

Bates 1037.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

43. ATS may use the information copied from a traveler's device to flag the

traveler for heightened screening in the future. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 114:10-

18, 115:12–25; Exh. 22 (CBP 2018 PIA) at Bates 184; Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at

Bates 1034.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Officers may flag a traveler for additional

scrutiny on the basis of information maintained in ATS.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The CBP deposition

testimony states: "Q. Does information obtained from border searches of electronic

devices affect how ATS flags individuals for additional scrutiny at the border? A. I

think it could." Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 114:10-14.

44. When ICE agents decide whether to conduct a border search of an

electronic device, they have access to ATS. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 99:4–10.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

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3. **ICE's Investigative Case Management** 

45. ICE operates a database called Investigative Case Management ("ICM").

Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 163:20–164:4.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

46. ICM contains (a) "reports of investigation," and (b) "subject records,"

which identify people and things that are connected to investigations. Exh. 14 (ICE

30(b)(6) depo.) at 164:13–165:8.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

47. ICM contains nearly all of ICE's case information. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6)

depo.) at 160:3–13.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

48. When ICE agents decide whether to conduct border searches of

electronic devices, they have access to ICM information. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6)

depo.) at 164:5–12.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

49. ICM information that can be relevant to whether to conduct a border search

of an electronic device includes prior encounters between ICE and travelers at the border,

including whether travelers were subjected to device searches. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6)

depo.) at 166:13–168:14.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

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50. If an ICE agent conducts a border search of an electronic device, they may

use an ICM report of investigation to store information about what they found. Exh. 14

(ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 169:10–22. ICM contains an agent's descriptions of data in a

traveler's device, but not the data itself. *Id.* at 172:5–14. This may include, for example, a

"verbatim transcript of a conversation," or a "summary" of a conversation or a photograph.

*Id.* at 172:15–174:11.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

51. ICM information about the contents of travelers' devices can be relevant to

whether to conduct a future border search of an electronic device. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6)

depo.) at 174:12-24.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

II. The Frequency of Border Searches and Confiscations of Electronic Devices

**Defendants' Statistical Data** A.

52. CBP conducted the following total number of border searches of

electronic devices during each fiscal year ("FY") from 2012 through 2018:

• FY 2012: 5,085

• FY 2013: 5,709

• FY 2014: 6,029

• FY 2015: 8,503

• FY 2016: 19,051

• FY 2017: 30,524

• FY 2018: 33,295

Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 13.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

53. CBP conducted the following number of basic searches of electronic

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- FY 2012: 3,182
- FY 2013: 3,561
- FY 2014: 4,314
- FY 2015: 6,618
- FY 2016: 16,914
- FY 2017: 27,701
- FY 2018 (through September 15, 2018): 28,429<sup>1</sup>

Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #6.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

- 54. CBP conducted the following number of advanced searches of electronic devices at the border during each fiscal year from 2012 through 2018:
  - FY 2012: 2,285
  - FY 2013: 2,444
  - FY 2014: 1,921
  - FY 2015: 2,090
  - FY 2016: 2,394
  - FY 2017: 2,685
  - FY 2018 (through September 15, 2018): 3,485

Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #6.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

- 55. CBP conducted the following number of confiscations of travelers' electronic devices after they left ports of entry during each fiscal year from 2012 through 2018:
  - FY 2012: 8
  - FY 2013: 36
  - FY 2014: 32
  - FY 2015: 21
  - FY 2016: 131
  - FY 2017: 200
  - FY 2018 (through September 15, 2018): 172

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 43 of 99 Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #6.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute the characterization of the fact because the wording differs from the wording used in Defendants' Response to Interrogatory 6.

Defendants do not dispute that that CPB estimated that it "detained the [above] number of electronic devices after a traveler departed the port of entry or other location of inspection in each of the identified fiscal years."

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. For clarification,

Defendants say "detained" devices and Plaintiffs say "confiscated" devices after a

traveler has left the border.

## B. <u>Defendants' Statistics Do Not Reflect All Border Searches and</u> <u>Confiscations of Electronic Devices</u>

56. ICE does not maintain records of the number of basic searches of electronic devices that it conducts. Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 14.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is a material fact as the number of basic searches conducted by ICE or whether ICE records those numbers is not material to the constitutionality of border searches of electronic devices.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The number of basic searches that ICE conducts is material to Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pls.' Mem. in Support of their Mot. for Sum. Judgment, ECF No. 90-1 ("Pl. Br.") at Part IV.B. To the extent that Defendants rely on a baseline probability of a device search based on the number of device searches they have recorded, undercounting or a failure to record basic searches affects the likelihood of a risk of future device search. Defendants do not dispute the accuracy of the fact itself.

57. ICE agents may conduct basic searches of electronic devices. Exh. 29 (DHS 2009 PIA) at Bates 224.

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 44 of 99 **Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

58. ICE does not maintain records of the number of times it detains electronic devices after travelers leave ports of entry. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 330:2–10.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the cited testimony. ICE records every instance that an electronic device is detained for a border search; it does not record those occurrences in a manner that permits for aggregable statistics. *Id.* at 331:6 – 332:6. Further dispute this is a material fact as the number of basic searches conducted by ICE or whether ICE records those numbers is not material to the constitutionality of border searches of electronic devices.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Defendants' assertion that ICE does not record device detentions "in a manner that permits for aggregable statistics" is effectively the same as not maintaining records at all. This is a material fact that goes to Plaintiffs' standing because it relates to the likelihood of risk of future device detention or confiscation after a traveler has left the border. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.B.

59. CBP determines the number of border searches of electronic devices in a given period by calculating the number of closed or completed Electronic Media Reports ("EMRs"). Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #11. EMRs are sometimes called "IOEMs." Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 201:7–9.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except to dispute this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact that goes to Plaintiffs' standing because it relates to the likelihood of risk of future device search. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.B.

60. CBP officers sometimes do not complete EMRs after conducting border

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 45 of 99 searches of electronic devices. Exh. 27 (DHS OIG 2018 Report) at Bates 973, 978; Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 248:18–249:9.

**Defendants' Response:** Do not dispute that the 2018 DHS OIG report found, in the period of examination, that CBP officers sometimes did not complete EMRs. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact that goes to Plaintiffs' standing because it relates to the likelihood of risk of future device search. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.B.

61. For example, on August 28, 2017, CBP officers searched the smartphone they seized from Plaintiff Nadia Alasaad's bag. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶¶ 73–74, Defendants have no records, including EMRs, documenting that search. Exh. 26 (Defs. Doc. Responses) at #17.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute the inference being drawn by the fact that CBP does not have any records documenting that alleged search and further dispute that this is a material fact.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs do not know what inference Defendants are referring to as being drawn; Plaintiffs cited to Defendants' discovery response. This fact presents one example of undercounting as to one Plaintiff. This is a material fact that goes to Plaintiffs' standing to the extent that standing considers the number of device searches as an indication of likelihood of risk of future device search. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.B.

62. When CBP officers do not fill out EMRs for border searches of electronic devices, those searches are not included in CBP's calculation of the total number of searches for that period. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #11; Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 251:3–15.

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**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact

that goes to Plaintiffs' standing because it relates to the likelihood of risk of future

device search. See Pl. Br. at Part IV.B.

III. **Privacy Implications of Device Searches** 

A. The Sensitivity of Content in Travelers' Devices

63. Electronic devices carried by travelers, such as smartphones or laptops, can

contain a very large volume of information. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 161:25–162:3;

Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 212:21–213:3.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

64. Travelers carry electronic devices that contain many different kinds of

information, such as photos, contacts, emails, and text messages, and the devices may reveal

such things as prescription information, information regarding employment, travel history,

and browsing history. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 161:21–24, 164:3–13, 167:12–17,

191:10–14; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 213:5–8.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

65. A CBP training document describes border searches of electronic devices as

"very sensitive." Exh. 31 (Pilot Program for CBP 2018 Directive) at Bates 143.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

66. ICE recognizes that electronic devices have the capacity to "store

sensitive information." Exh. 29 (DHS 2009 PIA) at Bates 231.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute

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**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

В. The Invasiveness of Manual and Forensic Device Searches

67. Basic searches can access content from allocated space physically resident

on an electronic device that is accessible using the native operating system of the device,

including but not limited to its native graphical user interface and/or touchscreen. Exh. 46

(Stipulations) at  $\P 2$ .

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

68. Basic searches can extend to any allocated file or information that is

resident on the device and accessible using the device's native operating system. Exh. 46

(Stipulations) at  $\P 4$ .

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

69. Separate from the primary content stored on them, some electronic devices

may also store data related to that content, such as the date and time associated with the

content, usage history, sender and receiver information, or location data. That content may

be revealed during a basic search, depending on the type of device, the operating system,

the relevant settings, and the applications used to create and/or maintain the data. Exh. 46

(Stipulations) at  $\P 5$ .

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

70. When conducting a basic search, officials are able to use the native search

functions in the native operating system of the device, such as a key word search tool, if

there is one. Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at  $\P$  3.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

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71. A device's internal search tools can be used to search for particular words and images. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 214:24–216:10, 216:25–217:4, 218:9–20, 219:16–221:11.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

72. Depending on the equipment, procedures, and techniques used, advanced searches of electronic devices are generally capable of revealing everything a basic search may reveal. Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 6.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants raise no genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it relates to travelers' privacy interests under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.1.

73. An advanced search of an electronic device, depending on the equipment, procedures, and techniques used, may be capable of revealing deleted or other data in unallocated storage space and password-protected or encrypted data.

Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 8. See also Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 298:3–17.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

74. An advanced search of an electronic device may be able to copy all information physically resident on the device or may be limited to only certain files, depending on the search equipment, procedures, and techniques used. Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 12. *See also* Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 205:13–23.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

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75. If information from the internet is cached on a device, such as web-based email, and the device is disconnected from the internet, border officers can still search the cached information. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 222:9–223:15; Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 186:2–24.

Defendants' Response: No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

76. Some CBP officers may have accessed cloud-based content during searches of electronic devices, even after issuance of an April 2017 memorandum requiring that officers disable network connectivity prior to search, because more than one-third of EMRs lacked a statement confirming that the device's data connection had been disabled. Exh. 27 (DHS OIG 2018 Report) at Bates 979–980.

**Defendants' Response:** Do not dispute that the 2018 DHS OIG report concluded that based on EMRs reviewed in the stated time period that some CBP officers did not document that they had disabled network connectivity prior to a search during the time period examined, which was after issuance of an April 2017 memorandum requiring that officers disable network connectivity prior to search. Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants raise no genuine dispute. Plaintiffs refer the Court to the cited materials. This is a material fact because it relates to travelers' privacy interests under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.1.

### C. Privacy Risks From Retention of Information

77. To the extent consistent with applicable system of records notices, ICE and CBP can retain information from a device in any of their record keeping systems when an electronic device search reveals information officers deem relevant to immigration,

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 50 of 99 customs, or other laws enforced by the Department of Homeland Security. Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 10.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

78. ICE generally stores information from travelers' devices in ICE's Investigative Case Management System, and the rules for that database do not limit storage of this information, beyond the requirement of relevance to immigration, customs, or other law enforcement matters. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 323:16–324:4, 326:18–327:4.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute to the extent this statement suggests that exact or complete electronic copies of an electronic device's data are stored in ICM. Do not dispute that an ICE Special Agent can manually record a narrative description of information observed during a search of an electronic device in ICM. *Id.* at 324:16-325:2; 326:15-327:4.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

79. After a border search of an electronic device, the information contained on the device may be shared with other federal agencies for law enforcement and intelligence purposes. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 44:18–45:12, 198:20–199:5; Exh. 30 (ICE 2007 Memorandum) at Bates 1265.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of this fact and refer Court to cited exhibits which make clear that the information sharing is permitted only if the information is related to immigration, customs, and other enforcement matters and if the sharing is consistent with applicable system of record notices. *See* Ex. 19 at 5.5.1.3 and 5.5.1.4; *see also* DHS/CBP/PIA-008(a) Border Searches of Electronic Devices at Bates 0174 (Ex. G); DHS/CBP/PIA-006(e) ATS at Bates

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Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. In Defendants' citations to Exh. 19, ECF No. 91-18 (CBP 2018 Directive) at §§ 5.5.1.3 and 5.5.1.4, Bates 122, neither section has a clause stating that information sharing must be "related to immigration, customs, and other enforcement matters" or that sharing must be "consistent with applicable system of record notices." However, Plaintiffs do not dispute that these limitations appear in § 5.5.1.2 as they pertain to retention. *See id.* at Bates 121–22. To clarify, Defendants do not dispute that subject to these limitations, information contained on an electronic device may be shared with other federal agencies for law enforcement and intelligence purposes.

80. After a border search of an electronic device, information retained in the TECS database may be shared with other agencies outside of DHS, including local, state, and foreign governments. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 83:18–84:17; 198:11–19.

Defendants' Response: Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of this fact and refer Court to cited exhibits which make clear that the information sharing is permitted only if the information is related to immigration, customs, and other enforcement matters and if the sharing is consistent with applicable system of record notices. Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Defendants have provided no support for their assertion. However, Plaintiffs do not dispute that these limitations appear in § 5.5.1.2 as they pertain to retention. *See* Exh. 19, ECF No. 91-18 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.5.1.2, at Bates 121–22. To clarify, Defendants do not dispute that subject to these limitations, information contained on an electronic device may be shared with other agencies outside of DHS, including local, state, and foreign governments. *See also* Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 198:11–19 ("Q. So this policy permits the sharing of

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 52 of 99 information from electronic devices searched at the border with state, local, foreign governments; is that correct? A. That's what it says. Q. And, in fact, CBP does share information from electronic devices with those other Government entities at times; is that right? A. We do.").

### **IV.** Government Interests

### A. <u>Defendants' Asserted Purposes</u>

81. CBP and ICE assert authority to conduct warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices to enforce hundreds of federal laws. Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at Bates 115; Exh. 22 (CBP 2018 PIA) at Bates 189; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 28:4–6.

**Defendants' Response:** This is a conclusion of law and not a material fact. If deemed a material fact, no dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. That Defendants assert authority to conduct warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices to enforce hundreds of federal laws is not a legal conclusion but rather a fact. This is a material fact because the government's asserted authority to conduct warrantless, suspicionless border searches of electronic devices is at the heart of the dispute in this lawsuit.

82. CBP's asserted purposes in conducting warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices include general law enforcement, *i.e.*, finding potential evidence of illegal activity beyond violations of immigration and customs laws. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #1 ("[B]order searches of electronic devices are conducted in furtherance of ... law enforcement[] and homeland security responsibilities and to ensure compliance with ... other laws that Defendants are authorized to enforce and administer. ... They are a crucial tool for detecting evidence relating to terrorism and other national

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 53 of 99 security matters... They can also reveal information about financial and commercial crimes ...."). *See also* Exh. 19 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 1, Bates 113; Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 20:19–21:9, 32:23–33:6; Exh. 33 (CBP "Tear Sheet") at Bates 163 ("domestic law enforcement"); Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at Bates 1034 ("other enforcement matters") & 1035 ("other laws enforced by CBP"); Exh. 27 (DHS OIG 2018 Report) at Bates 975 ("any violation of laws"), 981 ("law enforcement-related information"), 982 (use of "new technologies to commit crimes"); Exh. 34 (CBP Written Statement for the Record for Senate Homeland Security Committee, July 11, 2018) at Bates 277 (use of "new technologies to commit crimes"); Exh. 35 (CBP Instructor Guide—P180C) at Bates 1279.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization that CBP's asserted purpose for conducting border searches include general law enforcement. The cited exhibits demonstrate that CBP officers' searches are related to the agency's broad law enforcement and national security responsibilities. *See also* 6 U.S.C. § 211. **Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The cited evidence demonstrates the number and various types of situations in which CBP asserts that warrantless, suspicionless searches of electronic devices advance law enforcement purposes.

83. ICE's asserted purposes for warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices include general law enforcement, *i.e.*, finding potential evidence of illegal activity beyond violations of immigration and customs laws. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #1; Exh. 21 (ICE 2009 Directive) at § 4, Bates 261 ("other Federal laws at the border"); Exh. 30 (ICE 2007 Memorandum) at Bates 1264 ("anything that may be evidence of a crime"); Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 35:15–17, 36:23–37:5, 40:10–20.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization that ICE's asserted purpose for conducting border searches include general law enforcement and for

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 54 of 99 finding illegal activity beyond violations of immigration and customs laws. The cited exhibits demonstrate that ICE agents' searches are related to the agency's broad law enforcement and national security responsibilities. *See also* 6 U.S.C. §§ 202, 251-52.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The cited evidence demonstrates the number and various types of situations in which ICE asserts that warrantless, suspicionless searches of electronic devices advance law enforcement purposes.

- 84. ICE asserts that agents may conduct a warrantless or suspicionless border search of the electronic device of a traveler:
- a. Who is suspected of violating tax laws, to find emails reflecting the tax law violations. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 29:4–8, 31:5–12.
- b. Who is suspected of hiding assets in bankruptcy, to find emails reflecting the hiding of assets. *Id.* at 33:4–22.
- c. Who is an executive of a company suspected of criminally dumping toxins into a river, to find emails reflecting the illegal dumping. *Id.* at 31:14–23, 32:2–8.
- d. Who is suspected of violating consumer protection laws, to find evidence reflecting the consumer protection law violations. *Id.* at 32:10–33:2.
- e. Who is suspected of money laundering, to find emails or other evidence reflecting money laundering, including the creation of corporations and accounts and the structuring of deposits. *Id.* at 41:3–42:13.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute the characterizations of the deposition testimony which make clear that border searches of an individual under any of the above circumstances would only be conducted if ICE was also investigating that individual for violation of a cross-border crime within the jurisdiction of ICE. *Id.* 

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 55 of 99 at 52:4-14.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs refer the Court to the cited materials.

85. CBP and ICE's asserted purposes in conducting warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices include finding potential evidence of customs violations, including evidence of importing or exporting contraband, in contrast to finding contraband itself. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #1 ("detecting evidence relating to ... human and bulk cash smuggling, contraband, and child pornography"); Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 62:19–21; Exh. 35 (CBP Instructor Guide—P180C) at Bates 1279 ("evidence related to ... [h]uman/cash smuggling" and "[n]arcotics and contraband"); Exh. 36 (ICE/HSI Priority Requests) at Bates 93 ("... if an individual is encountered smuggling methamphetamine . . . a border search would be conducted on his devices for coconspirators").

**Defendants' Response**: No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

86. CBP and ICE's asserted purposes in conducting warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices include intelligence gathering. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 46:24–47:3, 47:16–48:7; Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at Bates 1003, 1034; Exh. 30 (ICE 2007 Memorandum) at Bates 1265 ("intelligence interest[s]").

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that the cited references support plaintiffs' characterization of Defendants' purposes for conducting border searches.

Defendants refer the Court to the referenced documents which, for the most part, discuss the agencies' record keeping systems. In addition, Exh 30 does not state that intelligence gathering is a purpose of border searches. *Id.* at 1264 (stating that the two general objectives of a border search is "to inspect for merchandise

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 56 of 99 imported contrary to law" and "to obtain information or evidence relating to an individual's admissibility."); *See also* Defs.' Response to Pls.' First Set of Interrog, Interrog. No.1 (Ex. I).

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Exh. 26, ECF No. 91-25 (Def. Interrog. Responses) at #1 states that warrantless, suspicionless border searches of electronic devices "are a crucial tool for detecting evidence related to ... national security matters." Moreover, the CBP deposition testimony and ATS PIA together show that device data is uploaded to ATS, and ATS is used for intelligence purposes. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 46:24–47:3, 47:16–48:7; Exh. 23 (CBP 2017 ATS PIA) at Bates 1003, 1034. Additionally, Exh. 33, ECF No. 91-32 (CBP "Tear Sheet") at Bates 163 lists "ROUTINE USES" including "border security and intelligence activities."

87. CBP's decisions to conduct warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices are informed by information or requests from other government agencies. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #17 ("CBP decisions to perform border searches of electronic devices benefit from information provided by other law enforcement agencies"); Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 75:8–76:5, 76:11–25, 77:13–14, 83:18–84:12; Exh. 37 (CBP Briefing for Senate Committee) at Bates 288 ("CBP coordinates with FBI").

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except to dispute that this is a material fact. **Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

88. ICE's decisions to conduct warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices are informed by information or requests from other government agencies. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #17. *See also* Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 189:9–

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 57 of 99 190:21, 191:18–192:3. These agencies include the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Internal Revenue Service, Secret Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, State Department, state and local police departments and county sheriffs, and foreign law enforcement agencies. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 194:13–201:25.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the cited evidence but do not dispute that the cited evidence shows that ICE makes independent determinations on the necessity for every border search they undertake and that information provided by other law enforcement agencies *may* inform the agency's decision to conduct a border search of an electronic device. *See also* Exh. 26. at No. 17. Further dispute that this is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

89. CBP asserts it may conduct warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices when the subject is someone other than the traveler. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 57:3–17 (another person's crime), 58:6–59:9 (same), 59:11–60:10 (another person's admissibility).

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute except to clarify that CBP has authority to search any traveler at the border and CBP policies permit a basic search of an electronic device with or without suspicion.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Defendants' statement that "CBP has authority to search any traveler at the border" is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: no dispute. Plaintiffs clarify that Defendants' border search authority is subject to

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 58 of 99 statutory and constitutional limits.
- 90. ICE asserts that warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices may be conducted when the subject of interest is someone other than the traveler. This includes:
- a. When the traveler is a U.S. citizen and ICE is seeking information about a suspected undocumented immigrant. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 64:18–65:19.
- b. When the traveler is a reporter who is known to have had contact with a suspected terrorist, where there is no suspicion that the reporter engaged in wrongdoing. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 56:25–58:14. *See also id.* at 74:14–75:6.
- c. When the traveler is a journalist or a scholar with foreign sources who are of interest to the U.S. government. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 75:14–25.
- d. When the traveler is business partners with someone who is under investigation for tax fraud. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 50:15–51:4.
- e. When the traveler is a family member of a person under investigation, in conjunction with other factors. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 130:16–131:3.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the cited evidence and clarify that ICE has the authority to search an electronic device of any traveler at the border in furtherance of its mission.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Defendants' statement that "ICE has the authority to search an electronic device of any traveler at the border in furtherance of its mission" is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: no dispute that ICE claims such authority, but Plaintiffs clarify that Defendants' border search

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 59 of 99 authority is subject to statutory and constitutional limits.

91. CBP and ICE conduct warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices to advance pre-existing investigations. Exh. 35 (CBP Instructor Guide—P180C) at Bates 1281 ("ongoing INVESTIGATIONS"); Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #16 ("the potential for that search to further a particular investigation"); Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 193:2–15; Exh. 29 (DHS 2009 PIA) at Bates 222.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

## B. <u>Digital Contraband at the Border</u>

92. Child pornography is primarily transferred into the United States via the internet. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 297:9–12.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

93. ICE considers few things to be digital contraband: child pornography, malware, information that cannot lawfully be exported, and unreported digital currency. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 37:25–38:24, 39:3–19.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is an exhaustive list of digital contraband and further dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The ICE deposition testimony states: "Q. Okay, So other than the three examples you've given now – the child pornography, ... the export control violation and the malware exploit – are you aware of any other examples of digital information on a traveler's device that, of itself, would be illegal contraband? A. That's all I can think of right now."

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 60 of 99 Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 40:2–9. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

94. CBP cannot identify any type of digital contraband beyond child pornography. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 62:8–66:15.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the deposition testimony. Howe Declaration (Ex. A) ¶\_\_.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs refer the Court to the pages listed in the CBP deposition testimony, in which after repeated questioning, the deponent was only able to identify child pornography as the sole example of digital contraband. *See* Exh. 13, ECF No. 91-12 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 62:8–66:15.

95. Digital data can be posted, shared, or transmitted via the internet and stored on an electronic device. Exh. 46 (Stipulations) at ¶ 9.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

96. Defendants are aware that digital contraband may in certain circumstances be accessible from the United States via the internet. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #5.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

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- 97. ICE acknowledges that child pornography can enter or be viewed in the United States via the internet in many ways:
- a. By viewing content on servers located outside the United States.

  Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 286:5–13.
  - b. As email attachments. *Id.* at 286:15–19.
  - c. As text messages. *Id.* at 286:20–25.
  - d. Via live streaming. *Id.* at 288:20–289:7.
  - e. Via a listsery or chat group. *Id.* at 289:20–24.
  - f. Via the Dark Web. *Id.* at 290:7–9.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

98. When Defendants confiscate digital contraband at the border, they either (a) cannot determine whether that digital contraband is already present in the United States, or (b) can determine, through a method known as "hashing," that the digital contraband is already present in the United States. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 299:5–24.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that defendants "confiscate" digital contraband and that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

- C. Lack of Evidence That Defendants' Policies and Practices Are Effective
- 99. CBP and ICE do not know how many warrantless or suspicionless border

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 62 of 99 searches of electronic devices uncover digital contraband. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #13; Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 68:10–14; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 44:25–45:7.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

100. CBP and ICE do not know how many warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices uncover potential evidence of criminal activity.

Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 68:15–20; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 338:18–24.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

101. CBP does not know how many warrantless or suspicionless border searches of electronic devices result in prosecution or conviction. Exh. 27 (DHS OIG 2018 Report) at Bates 982.

**Defendants' Response**: Dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

102. ICE does not know how many warrantless or suspicionless border device searches result in criminal arrests or indictments, or referrals to other law enforcement agencies. Exh. 36 (ICE/HSI Priority Requests) at Bates 93.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the cited evidence

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 63 of 99 because the referenced exhibit provides statistics for arrests, indictments, seizures, search warrants, and administrative arrests resulting from investigations that included a border search of an electronic device. Bates 0094. Also dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Dispute Defendants' characterization of the evidence. The referenced exhibit states: "[Q.] By year, please identify the number of criminal arrests, indictments by nearly [sic], search warrants, and/or seizures occurred based upon, in part, the screening of an individual's electronic device. [A.] There is no feasible way to produce meaningful statistics for this request. While a number could be produced that identified cases where a border search of an electronic device was conducted, that may not be indicative that the search supported any particular arrest, indictment, search warrant, or seizure. HSI Investigations involve a myriad of factors that would justify an arrest, indictment, or search warrant of which a border search would be only one factor of many." Exh. 36, ECF No. 91-35 (ICE/HSI Priority Requests) at Bates 93 (emphasis added). There is a difference between (1) a border search of an electronic device search resulting in criminal arrests or indictments and (2) criminal arrests or indictments "resulting from investigations that included a border search of an electronic device" (emphasis added), because in the latter situation, the border search of an electronic device may not have contributed at all to the ultimate arrest or indictment. The statistics that Defendants cite to involve the latter situation. See Exh. 51 at Bates 94. This is a material fact because it is relevant to evaluating the government's interest under the Fourth Amendment balancing test. See Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.

# D. <u>CBP and ICE Obtain Warrants and Apply a Reasonable Suspicion</u> <u>Standard</u>

### 1. **CBP Obtains Warrants**

103. CBP sometimes conducts searches of electronic devices pursuant to warrants. Exh. 38 (Border Patrol 2018 Digital Forensics Program PIA) at Bates 1130–31.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of cited document which applies only when agency employees in a separate operational office within CBP are not operating pursuant to border search authority. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. It is irrelevant that this fact pertains to when CBP is not operating pursuant to border search authority. This fact merely states that there are situations in which CBP is familiar with obtaining warrants for searches of electronic devices. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c.

104. CBP sometimes applies a probable cause standard for the seizure of an electronic device. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 260:11–15.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the fact and refer to the CBP Directive which specifies that Officers may seize and retain an electronic device or copies of information from the device, when, based on a review of the electronic device encountered or on other facts and circumstances, they determine there is probable cause to believe the device, or copy of the contents of the device, contains evidence of a violation of a law that CBP is authorized to enforce or administer. *See* Exh. 19 at 5.5.1.1. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The CBP 2018

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 65 of 99 Directive contemplates probable cause based "on other facts and circumstances." Exh. 19, ECF No. 91-18 (CBP 2018 Directive) at § 5.5.1.1, Bates 121. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c.

105. CBP provides officers written guidance and training on what constitutes probable cause. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 260:16–261:16. CBP also provides training on how to obtain warrants. *Id.* at 279:25–280:4.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the fact. Although officers are provided guidance and training on probable cause and warrants, it is only for specific situations and as it relates to certain distinct legal authorities (other than border search authority) under which CBP officers may operate. Further, dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. It is irrelevant that this fact pertains to when CBP is not operating pursuant to border search authority. This fact merely states that there are situations in which CBP demonstrates familiarity with the probable cause standard and how to obtain warrants. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c.

106. CBP sometimes obtains warrants for searches of international mail. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 267:3–5. Specifically, if the officer has reasonable suspicion that a sealed parcel contains contraband, they may open it, but still need a warrant to read any correspondence. *Id.* at 268:12–25, 270:20–271:7; Exh. 39 (2001 International Mail Handbook) at Bates 1269. Without reasonable suspicion of contraband, CBP needs a warrant to open the mail. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 268:12–25; 270:20–271:7; *see also* Exh. 39 (2001 International Mail Handbook) at Bates 1269.

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Defendants' Response: Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the deposition testimony and cited exhibits. Admit that CBP sometimes works with other agencies to obtain warrants for searches of international mail and that in limited situations, officers need a warrant to read correspondence contained in sealed letter class mail that is transmitted within the international postal system and not letters carried by individuals or private carriers. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The 2001 International Mail Operations and Enforcement Handbook states: "[A] search warrant shall be obtained before any correspondence is read, seized, or referred to another agency . . . Customs would need to get a search warrant based on coherent facts before the correspondence could be read and used as evidence in the case." Exh. 39, ECF No. 91-38 (2001 International Mail Handbook) at Bates 1269. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c.

107. Although CBP must obtain a warrant to read correspondence in international mail, CBP asserts it may read correspondence on an electronic device without any suspicion. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 278:14–20.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the testimony and refer to the International Mail handbook (Exh. 39) for an accurate interpretation of the policy. The policy applies only when sealed international letter-class mail is in the custody of the postal service. It does not apply to border searches. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs do not assert that the 2001 International Mail Operations and Enforcement Handbook applies to ports of entry, but rather that international mail inspection occurs in a customs

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  - 108. CBP officers sometimes obtain warrants at the border to conduct:
- a. Involuntary x-ray searches. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 262:13–17; Exh. 40 (CBP 2004 Personal Search Handbook) at § 6.h., Bates 1095.
- b. Involuntary body cavity searches. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 263:13–15; Exh. 40 (CBP 2004 Personal Search Handbook) at § 8.I.d., Bates 1101.
- c. Prolonged detentions for medical examinations. Exh. 40 (CBP 2004 Personal Search Handbook) at § 2.p., Bates 1076.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute characterization of the Handbook and refer court to the document for an accurate statement of its contents. Further, dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c.

109. CBP's Air and Marine Operations is required to get a warrant before searching an electronic device whenever it is operating outside the border environment. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 286:25–287:3, 287:7–12; Exh. 41 (CBP AMO Guidance) at Bates 1169; Exh. 42 (CBP 2017 AMCIT Memorandum) at Bates 1153.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute plaintiffs' characterization of the deposition testimony and cited guidance. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs refer the Court to the cited material. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of

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### 2. <u>ICE Obtains Warrants</u>

110. ICE advises its agents to obtain a warrant "if time permits" and if agents have "any doubt" concerning whether a warrant is required. Exh. 43 (HSI 2012 Search and Seizure Handbook) at § 6.3, Bates 1187, § 7.11.4, Bates 1201.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute this characterization. ICE advises that its agents "operating in a non-border environment should make every effort to obtain a warrant prior to searching, even if an exception to the warrant requirement appears to exist." *Id.* at § 8, Bates 1203. Do not dispute this statement in a non-border environment.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs do not assert that this policy applies to the border environment.

111. ICE trains agents on how to seek a warrant. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 251:4–7, 261:2–10. This training occurs at the ICE academy, on the job, from supervisors and senior officers, from the local U.S. Attorney's office, and from the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor. *Id.* at 261:15–25, 262:9–16, 263:5–14, 263:24–264:15, 264:21–265:8.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

112. ICE's written training materials provide details on how to prepare an affidavit to establish probable cause for a warrant. Exh. 43 (HSI 2012 Search and Seizure Handbook) at § 7.11.4, Bates 1201–02, § 8.2, 1204–05.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

113. ICE policy on international mail requires:

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- a. A warrant to search inbound international mail that is sealed and appears to contain only correspondence. Exh. 44 (MOU Between ICE/HSI and USPS) at § 4.A.3, Bates 1272; Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 248:5–9.
- b. A warrant to search outbound international mail that is sealed and weighs less than 16 ounces. Exh. 44 (MOU Between ICE/HSI and USPS) at § 4.B.3, Bates 1273.
- c. A warrant to read correspondence contained in other types of inbound and outbound international mail. *Id.* at § 4.A.2, § 4.B.2., Bates 1272–73.
- d. Reasonable suspicion of contraband to open a parcel, and a warrant to read correspondence in that parcel. *Id. See also* Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 248:10–15.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

114. If an ICE agent opens sealed mail on reasonable suspicion, and it contains correspondence on digital storage media, ICE policy requires a warrant to read that digital correspondence. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 249:6–250:10.

Defendants' Response: Dispute this characterization of ICE policy. An electronic device in the mail would not be treated as solely correspondence for purposes of a border search of mail because the electronic device is merchandise itself, regardless of the data on the device. Accordingly, the laws, regulations, and policy regarding searching sealed mail containing solely correspondence do not apply. *See* Exh. 44 at §§ 4.A.2, Bates 1272. Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants' statement that electronic devices in the mail are merchandise is a legal assertion for which no response is required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(c) and/or Local Rule 56.1. To the extent a response is deemed required: Plaintiffs dispute, as a legal matter, Defendants'

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 70 of 99 statement that all electronic devices in the mail are merchandise, and further dispute this is a material fact. However, even if the device were considered merchandise, if the device had correspondence on it, agents would stop reading and have to get a warrant to continue reading. *See* Exh. 14, ECF No. 91-13 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 249:6–250:10. Moreover, Defendants' cited evidence does not support their assertions, as the cited material is silent on the issue of whether an electronic device could both be merchandise and contain correspondence. *See* Exh. 44, ECF No. 91-43 (MOU Between ICE/HSI and USPS) at §§ 4.A.2, Bates 1272 ("Customs officers, may, without a search warrant, search inbound international mail that is sealed against inspection if a customs officer has a reasonable suspicion that the mail contains merchandise or contraband. No one acting under the authority of this section shall read or authorize any other person to read any correspondence contained in mail sealed against inspection without a search warrant").

- 115. ICE agents sometimes obtain warrants at the border to conduct:
  - a. X-ray searches. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 259:11–16.
  - b. Involuntary body cavity searches. *Id.* at 260:14–25.
- c. Detentions that last longer than eight hours. *Id.* at 254:19–255:6, 255:13–21, 256:7–258:3.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

## 3. CBP and ICE Apply the Reasonable Suspicion Standard

116. Since at least 2015, CBP has had procedures for conducting advanced device searches based on reasonable suspicion. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 254:7–14; 256:9–19; Exh. 45 (CBP 2015 Memorandum on *Cotterman*) at Bates 129–30.

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Defendants' Response: No dispute that CBP has procedures for conducting advanced device searches based on reasonable suspicion of laws it enforces or administers. Dispute that this is a material fact since the Amended Complaint does not contain a claim for relief involving reasonable suspicion.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c. This is also a material fact because, should the Court determine that a warrant is not required, it may require reasonable suspicion. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.C.

117. CBP officers are accustomed to applying the reasonable suspicion standard for advanced device searches. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 259:8–15.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except to dispute that this is a material fact since the Amended Complaint does not contain a claim for relief involving reasonable suspicion.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c. This is also a material fact because, should the Court determine that a warrant is not required, it may require reasonable suspicion. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.C.

118. CBP has written guidance and training on reasonable suspicion. Exh. 13 (CBP 30(b)(6) depo.) at 257:11–259:7. ICE provides training to its agents on reasonable suspicion. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 279:22–280:8.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except to dispute that this is a material fact since the Amended Complaint does not contain a claim for relief involving reasonable suspicion.

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 72 of 99 Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is relevant to the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c. This is also a material fact because, should the Court determine that a warrant is not required, it may require reasonable suspicion. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.C.

- 119. ICE policy requires agents at the border to have reasonable suspicion for:
- a. Strip searches. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 278:8–15. *See also* Exh. 43 (HSI 2012 Search and Seizure Handbook) at § 11.1, Bates 1224 (requiring reasonable suspicion for "partial body search[es]").
- b. X-ray or body cavity searches. Exh. 14 (ICE 30(b)(6) depo.) at 278:18–279:11, 279:13–20; Exh. 43 (HSI 2012 Search and Seizure Handbook) at \$10.9, Bates 1219. A destructive search of a vehicle or other object. Exh. 43 (HSI 2012 Search and Seizure Handbook) at \$11.1, Bates 1224.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except to dispute that this is a material fact since the Amended Complaint does not contain a claim for relief involving reasonable suspicion.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact because it is the application of the Fourth Amendment balancing test. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.A.2.c. This is also a material fact because, should the Court determine that a warrant is not required, it may require reasonable suspicion. *See* Pl. Br. at Part I.C.

### V. Plaintiffs' Experiences at the Border

**Defendants' General Response:** Defendants dispute that any of the facts below relating to Plaintiffs' experiences at the border are material to the Plaintiffs' First and Fourth Amendment facial challenges. To the extent these facts are material it would

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**Plaintiffs' General Reply:** The facts below relating to Plaintiffs' experiences at the border are material to Plaintiffs' standing, and as noted are also material to Plaintiffs' First and Fourth Amendment claims.

#### A. Past Border Searches of Devices

### 1. Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad

120. Plaintiffs Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad are U.S. citizens who reside in Massachusetts and are married to each other. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–4; Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–4. He works as a limousine driver, and she is a nursing student. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 1; Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 1.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiffs Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad made these statements, but dispute they are material facts.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

121. On January 12, 2017, they returned by car to the United States at Highgate Springs, Vermont. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 5; Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 5. Ghassan Alasaad was traveling with an unlocked Samsung Note smartphone. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 5. Nadia Alasaad was traveling with a locked iPhone 7 smartphone. Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 5. CBP officers conducted a manual search of Mr. Alasaad's phone. Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 8; Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 7; Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 65. CBP officers later searched Ms. Alasaad's phone. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 337–38, 340.

**Defendants' Response:** The referenced exhibits indicate that encounter occurred on July 12, 2017, not January. Further dispute that these facts are material.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs admit that

- Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 74 of 99 the encounter occurred on July 12, 2017. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing, and the Fourth Amendment device search and confiscation claims. *See* Pl. Br. Part IV and at pp. 11, 23.
- 122. Nadia Alasaad objected to the search of her phone on the ground that she wears a headscarf in public in accordance with her religious beliefs, and she had photos in her phone of herself without a headscarf on and of her daughters that she did not want any CBP officers, especially male officers, to view. Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶¶ 10, 13.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that this fact is material. **Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing, their First Amendment claim, and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Parts III & IV and at p. 11.

123. On August 28, 2017, Nadia Alasaad arrived at John F. Kennedy
International Airport with her 11-year-old daughter. *Id.* at ¶ 19. Her daughter was traveling with a locked iPhone 6+ smartphone. *Id.* CBP officers searched Nadia Alasaad's handbag, where they found the smartphone that her daughter was using. *Id.* at ¶ 20; Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 74. CBP officers searched the phone. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 76.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that this fact is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

#### 2. Suhaib Allababidi

124. Plaintiff Suhaib Allababidi is a U.S. citizen who resides in Texas. Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–3. He owns and operates a business that sells security technology.

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 75 of 99 Id. at  $\P$  1.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Allababidi made these statements in his declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

125. On January 24, 2017, Allababidi returned to Dallas, Texas, after an international trip. *Id.* at ¶ 4; Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 77. He was traveling with a locked Samsung S7 Edge smartphone and an unlocked iPhone smartphone. Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶ 4. A CBP officer seized and manually searched Allababidi's unlocked iPhone for at least 20 minutes. *Id.* at ¶ 5. After Allababidi declined to provide the password to his locked Samsung phone, CBP officers confiscated both phones in order to conduct an "examination." *Id.* at ¶ 6; Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶¶ 79–80; Exh. 17 (Detention Notice and Custody Receipt) at Pls. Bates 62; *see also* Exh. 47 (Detention Notice and Custody Receipt) at Bates 107.

**Defendants' Response:** Do not dispute that Plaintiff Allababidi's phones were initially searched by CBP and then detained for further examination by an ICE Special Agent as indicated by the signature and organization listed on the cited Detention and Custody Receipt (Ex. 17). Further dispute this is a material fact. **Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

#### 3. Sidd Bikkannavar

126. Sidd Bikkannavar is a U.S. citizen and a resident of California. Exh. 4 (Bikkannavar Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–3. He is an optical engineer at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. *Id.* at ¶ 1.

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Defendants' Response: No dispute that Plaintiff Bikkannavar made these statements in his declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

127. On January 31, 2017, Bikkannavar flew into Houston, Texas, after an international trip. *Id.* at ¶ 4. He was traveling with a locked Samsung Galaxy Note 5 smartphone. *Id.* CBP officers searched Bikkannavar's phone for 19 minutes. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 621. Afterwards, a CBP officer stated they had used "algorithms" to search the phone. Exh. 4 (Bikkannavar Dec.) at ¶ 12.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Bikkannavar made these statements in his declaration, but dispute that this correctly characterizes paragraph 12 of the declaration. Further dispute that these facts are material.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Bikkannavar's declaration at paragraph 12 states in full: "After about 30 minutes, the officer returned the phone to me and informed me that officers had used 'algorithms' to search the contents of the phone, which I understood to mean that they used one or more forensic tools." Exh. 4, ECF No. 91-3 (Bikkannavar Dec.) at ¶ 12. While Defendants' Electronic Media Report ("EMR") states that the device search itself took 19 minutes, Exh. 47 (filed under seal) (EMR) at Bates 621, Bikkannavar testified that the phone was returned to him after about 30 minutes. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

## 4. <u>Jérémie Dupin</u>

128. Jérémie Dupin is a lawful permanent resident who resides in Massachusetts. Exh. 5 (Dupin Dec.) at  $\P$  2–3. He is a journalist. *Id.* at  $\P$  1.

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Defendants' Response: No dispute that Plaintiff Dupin made these statements in his declaration but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their First Amendment claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part III & IV.

129. On December 22, 2016, Dupin flew to Miami, Florida after an international trip. *Id.* at ¶ 4. He was traveling with a locked iPhone 5 smartphone, which he used for his journalism work. *Id.* A CBP Officer conducted a basic search of Dupin's phone for about 15 minutes. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 90. *See also* Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 689; Exh. 5 (Dupin Dec.) at ¶ 8.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Dupin made these statements in his declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing, their First Amendment claim, and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part III & IV and at p. 11.

daughter from Montreal to New York City. He carried the same locked iPhone. Exh. 5 (Dupin Dec.) at ¶ 11. At the U.S. border customs checkpoint, a CBP officer took the phone into another room for approximately four hours. *Id.* at ¶¶ 12–15. CBP searched it. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶¶ 94, 96; *see also* Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 690–91. An officer periodically returned to ask Dupin questions about the contents of his phone. Dupin. Exh. 5 (Dupin Dec.) at ¶ 15; Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 96.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Dupin made these statements in his

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 78 of 99 declaration, but dispute they are material, but dispute that the records show that his phone was taken out of the room. See Ex.47 at Bates 711. Further dispute that these facts are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The records are silent as to whether Dupin's phone was taken out of the room. Exh. 47 (filed under seal) at Bates 691, 711. However, Dupin testified to this fact in his sworn declaration. Exh. 5, ECF No. 91-4 (Dupin Dec.) at ¶ 8. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their First Amendment claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part III & IV.

## 5. <u>Aaron Gach</u>

131. Aaron Gach is a U.S. citizen who resides in California. Exh. 6 (Gach Dec.) at  $\P$  2–3. He is an artist. *Id.* at  $\P$  1.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Gach made these statements in his declaration but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

132. On February 23, 2017, Gach arrived at San Francisco International Airport after an international trip. *Id.* at ¶ 4. Gach traveled with a locked iPhone SE smartphone. *Id.* CBP searched it. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶¶ 102–03; Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 714–15.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Gach made these statements in his declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. Part IV and at p. at 11.

### 6. <u>Ismail Abdel-Rasoul aka Isma'il Kushkush</u>

133. Isma'il Kushkush is a U.S. citizen who resides in Virginia. Exh. 7 (Kushkush Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–3. He is a freelance journalist. *Id.* at ¶ 1.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Kushkush made these statements in his declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their First Amendment claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part III & IV.

134. On March 18, 2013, Kushkush arrived at Washington Dulles International Airport after an international trip. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 913. At Washington Dulles, CBP officers searched Kushkush's Blackberry Bold cell phone, two electronic storage media, and two SIM cards. *Id.* at Bates 913–14.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff KushKush made these statements in his declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. Part IV and at p. at 11.

135. On July 30, 2017, Kushkush entered the United States at Highgate Springs, Vermont, via bus from Canada. Exh. 7 (Kushkush Dec.) at ¶ 14. He was carrying a locked iPhone 7 smartphone. *Id.* CBP officers conducted a manual search of Kushkush's phone for about one hour. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 117. *See also* Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 304, 332–33; Exh. 47 (HSI Report of Investigation) at Bates 105.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff KushKush made these statements in his declaration, but dispute they are material.

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Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

#### 7. Zainab Merchant

136. Zainab Merchant is a U.S. citizen who resides in Toronto, Canada. Exh. 8 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–3. She is a writer, graduate student, and the founder and editor of a media website. *Id.* at ¶ 1.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Merchant made these statements in her declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

137. On March 5, 2017, Merchant arrived at the Toronto airport for a flight to Orlando. *Id.* at ¶ 4. She traveled with a locked Samsung smartphone. *Id.* CBP searched Merchant's phone. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 135. *See also* Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 754. The search lasted 25 minutes. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 754.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Merchant made these statements in her declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

138. CBP officers questioned her about her religious affiliation and her blog, including asking her about an article she had written on the blog that described a previous border crossing experience. Exh. 8 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 11.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Merchant made this statement in her declaration, but dispute it accurately characterizes the encounter and refer the

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 81 of 99 Court to Ex. 47, Bates 766. Further dispute this fact is material.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The records

Defendants cite are silent as to whether CBP officers questioned Merchant about her religious affiliation and her blog. Exh. 47 (filed under seal) at Bates 766. However,

Merchant has testified to these facts in her sworn declaration. Exh. 8, ECF No. 91-7

(Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 11. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports

Plaintiffs' standing. See Pl. Br. at Part IV.

139. Merchant was concerned about CBP officers searching her phone because she wears a headscarf in public in accordance with her religious beliefs, and the phone contained pictures of her without her headscarf that she did not want officers to see. *Id.* at  $\P$  6.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Merchant expressed this concern in her declaration but dispute that the statement accurately characterize the encounter and refer the Court to Ex. 47, Bates 766. This concern appears to have been expressed in the search conducted on July 7, 2018. *See* Ex. 47. Bates 757. Further dispute this fact is material.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The fact discusses why Merchant did not want her phone searched rather than if she communicated this information to CBP officers. Exh. 8, ECF No. 91-7 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 11. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing, their First Amendment claim, and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part III & IV and at p. 11.

140. On April 5, 2018, Merchant arrived in Orlando, Florida, after an international trip. Exh. 8 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 14. She carried a locked Samsung Note 8 smartphone. *Id.* CBP officers searched it. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 908.

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Defendants' Response: No dispute, except dispute that these facts are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

141. On July 7, 2018, Merchant arrived in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, after an international trip. Exh. 8 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 22. She carried a locked Samsung Note 8 smartphone. *Id.* A CBP officer searched Merchant's phone for about 15 minutes. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 755, 758.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that these facts are material. **Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

142. On September 9, 2018, Merchant traveled from Toronto, Ontario, to Orlando, Florida. Exh. 8 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 27. She carried a locked Samsung Note 8 smartphone. *Id.* A CBP officer directed Merchant to turn over her smartphone. Merchant told the officer that she did not consent to the search and that her device contained attorney-client privileged communications. *Id.* at ¶ 28. Nonetheless, "CBP conducted a basic search of Ms. Merchant's cell phone," which lasted about ten minutes. Exh. 24 (Email from Marsha Edney, Sept. 20, 2018). *See also* Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 759–60. Merchant saw the officer viewing emails and text messages between herself and her lawyer. Exh. 8 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 31.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute except to dispute that the third and last sentences accurately characterize the encounter and refer the Court to Ex. 47, Bates 757-58 for an accurate description. Further dispute these facts are material.

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Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Defendants' citation to Exh. 47 (filed under seal) at Bates 757–58, relates to the July 7, 2018 border device search, and not the September 9, 2018 border device search. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing, their First Amendment claim, and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part III & IV and at p. 11.

#### 8. Akram Shibly

declaration, but dispute they are material.

143. Mohammed Akram Shibly is a U.S. citizen who currently lives in Los Angeles. Exh. 9 (Shibly Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–3. He is a filmmaker and a graduate student. *Id.* at ¶ 1.

Defendants' Response: No dispute that Plaintiff Shibly made these statements in his

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

On January 1, 2017, Shibly entered the United States at the Lewiston-Queenston Bridge in New York. *Id.* at ¶ 4. He was carrying a locked iPhone 6+ smartphone. *Id.* A CBP officer searched it. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 140. *See also* Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 847, 849. The search lasted 37 minutes. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 847.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that the facts are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

# 9. <u>Matthew Wright</u>

145. Matthew Wright is a U.S. citizen who resides in Colorado. Exh. 10 (Wright Dec.) at  $\P\P$  2–3. He is a computer programmer. *Id.* at  $\P$  1.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Wright made these statements in his

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 84 of 99 declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

146. On April 21, 2016, Wright arrived in Denver, Colorado, after an international trip. *Id.* at ¶ 5. Wright was traveling with a locked iPhone 6 smartphone, a locked MacBook Pro laptop, and an unlocked GoPro camera. *Id.* Wright declined a CBP officer's demand to unlock his laptop. As a result, CBP officers confiscated his laptop, phone, and camera. *Id.* at ¶ 6.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

147. "CBP extracted and obtained information from Plaintiff Wright's devices." Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 155. Specifically, an ICE agent "attempted to image Mr. Wright's laptop with MacQuisition software, and a CBP forensic scientist extracted data from the SIM card in Wright's phone and from his camera." Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 44. *See also* Exh. 25 (June 6, 2016 CBP email) at Pls. Bates 953; Exh. 47 (HSI Digital Forensic Report) Bates 98.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

#### 10. <u>Diane Maye Zorri</u>

148. Diane Maye Zorri is a U.S. citizen who resides in Florida. Exh. 11 (Zorri Dec.) at ¶¶ 2–3. She is a university professor and a former United States Air Force captain. *Id.* at ¶ 1.

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 85 of 99 **Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Zorri made these statements in her declaration, but dispute they are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

149. On June 25, 2017, Zorri arrived in Miami, Florida, after an international trip. *Id.* at ¶ 4. Zorri was traveling with a MacBook Pro laptop and an iPhone 7 smartphone, both locked. *Id.* CBP searched Zorri's phone for about 45 minutes. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶¶ 121, 124. *See also* Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 729, 731.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Zorri made these statements in her declaration but Defendants note that the referenced EMR pages (729-731) only mention an iPhone. Further dispute these facts are material.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. The Electronic Media Report specifically mentions Maye Zorri's "Apple cell phone." Exh. 47 (filed under seal) (TECS records) at 729. Maye Zorri also testified to both her cell phone and laptop being searched. Exh. 11, ECF No. 91-10 (Maye Zorri Decl.) at ¶¶ 5–8.

Additionally, the EMR states that "All of the electronic *devices* were returned to the traveler." Exh. 47 (filed under seal) (TECS records) at Bates 731 (emphasis added). This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device search claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 11.

## B. Ongoing Retention of Information From Past Device Searches

150. Defendants have retained in TECS information its officers observed during the search of the contents of seven Plaintiffs' phones: Ghassan Alasaad, Nadia Alasaad, Bikkannavar, Dupin, Merchant, Shibly, and Zorri. Exh. 26 (Defs. Interrog. Responses) at #10 (Nadia Alasaad, Bikkannavar, Dupin, Merchant, and Zorri); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 340, 351, 355, 359 (Ghassan Alasaad); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 340,

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 86 of 99 351, 355, 359 (Nadia Alasaad); Exh 47 (TECS records) at Bates 691, 711 (Dupin); Exh 47 (TECS records) at Bates 849, 873, 878 (Shibly).

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

- 151. Defendants also have retained information copied from Wright's electronic devices.
- a. The data extracted from Wright's devices was stored on three thumb drives. Exh. 25 (EMR) at Pls. Bates 938.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

b. Two months after CBP returned Wright's devices to him, CBP continued to retain the thumb drives. Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 888; Exh. 47 (log of items received by CBP laboratory) at Bates 909; Exh. 28 (Def. Privilege Log of 12/7/18) (describing Bates 909 as "[1]og of items received by CBP laboratory"); Exh. 24 (Email from Marsha Edney, Nov. 21, 2018) (describing Bates 909 as "a log of items received by a law enforcement laboratory, and includes a notation of receipt of thumb drives relating to the inspection of Plaintiff Wright's electronic devices").

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute that these facts are material and the inference being drawn by the absence of a document showing destruction. Defendants aver that all copies of Wright's data have been deleted. *See* Declaration of Jenny Tsang (Ex. L.). There is no material dispute because this information is uniquely with in Defendants' knowledge and does not matter as a matter of law.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

c. DHS policy requires that "a record of the destruction [of information from a traveler's device] is documented in the TECS Report of Investigation (ROI)." Exh.

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 87 of 99 29 (DHS 2009 PIA), at Bates 228. In both civil discovery in this case and in response to a FOIA request from Wright, CBP and ICE produced no records showing that the data retained on the thumb drives was destroyed. Exh. 12 (Cope Dec.) at ¶¶ 4–5.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

## C. <u>Past Device Confiscations</u><sup>1</sup>

### 1. Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad

152. CBP officers retained Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad's phones after the Alasaads left the border area on July 12, 2017. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 15; Exh. 47 (EMR) at Bates 340.

Defendants' Response: Dispute only to the extent that that the undefined term "retained" is used. Admit that the phones were detained. Ex. 47 at Bates 340.

Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs use the term "retained" as a synonym for detained or confiscated.

153. Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad had to spend approximately \$1,000 to purchase two new phones. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 17; Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 17.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiffs Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad made this statement in their declarations, but dispute that the fact is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

154. Twelve days after Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad crossed the border, CBP officials sent their phones back to them. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶ 72.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Defendants disagree with the use of the term "confiscations" but admit that they do sometimes detain and/or seize electronic devices.

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 88 of 99 **Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device confiscation claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 23.

155. Soon after receiving his phone from CBP, Ghassan Alasaad attempted to access certain media files in his WhatsApp application, including videos of his daughter's graduation. The phone displayed the message, "Sorry, this media file doesn't exist on your internal storage." This did not occur prior to CBP's confiscation of the phone. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 19.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Alassad made these statements in his declaration, but Defendants lack knowledge or information to determine if they are true or not. Further, dispute that the facts are material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

#### 2. Suhaib Allababidi

156. On January 24, 2017, CBP officers detained Allababidi's unlocked iPhone and locked Samsung smartphone after he had been permitted to leave the border area. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶¶ 79–80; Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶ 6.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

157. CBP officers confiscated Allababidi's unlocked phone even though an officer had already manually searched the phone and returned it to Allababidi. Exhs. 15 & 16 (Answer and Complaint) at ¶¶ 79–80; Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶¶ 5–6.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute only to the extent that the undefined term

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 89 of 99 confiscate is used. Further dispute that this is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

158. Allababidi had to spend more than \$1,000 on replacement phones. Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶ 9.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Allababidi made this statement in his declaration, but dispute that the fact is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

159. Allababidi's phones were sent to the "Regional Computer Forensic Lab" on February 15, 2017, and then sent to another location on March 3, 2017. Exh. 47 (Detention Notice and Custody Receipt) at Bates 107.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

160. The unlocked iPhone was returned to Allababidi more than two months after confiscation. Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶ 7. *See also* Exh. 47 (Detention Notice and Custody Receipt) at Bates 107.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device confiscation claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 23.

161. The locked Samsung smartphone was returned to Allababidi on December 13, 2017, more than ten months after confiscation, and just two days before Defendants moved to dismiss in this case. Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶ 8; Exh. 32 (Defs. Motion to

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**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device confiscation claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 23.

### 3. <u>Matthew Wright</u>

162. CBP officers seized Wright's smartphone, laptop, and GoPro camera on April 21, 2016. Exh. 25 (Detention Notice and Custody Receipt) at Pls. Bates 945.

**Defendants' Response:** Dispute only to the extent that that the term "seized" is used. Admit that the devices were detained. Ex. 25 at Bates 945.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. Plaintiffs use the term "seized" as a synonym for detained or confiscated.

163. An officer informed Wright that it might take CBP as long as a year to return his devices to him. Exh. 10 (Wright Dec.) at ¶ 7.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Wright states this in his declaration, but dispute that his is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

164. Wright spent \$2,419.97 for a new laptop and phone. Exh. 10 (Wright Dec.) at ¶ 8. As a computer programmer, Wright's livelihood depends on these tools. *Id*.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Wright states this in his declaration, but Defendants lack any knowledge of these facts. Further dispute these are material facts.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

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165. Wright's electronic devices were transferred between CBP and ICE
facilities multiple times. Exh. 25 (EMR) at Pls. Bates 936–38.

**Defendants' Response**: No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

166. CBP returned Wright's electronic devices to him after 56 days, on June 16, 2016. Exh. 25 (EMR) at Pls. Bates 938; Exh. 10 (Wright Dec.) at ¶ 9.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute, except dispute that it is material.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing and their Fourth Amendment device confiscation claim. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV and at p. 23.

#### D. Other Recurring Border Scrutiny

167. Eight Plaintiffs have been subjected to recurring secondary inspections during border crossings. Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 338, 348, 350–51, 362–367 (six of Ghassan Alasaad); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 338, 350, 363–64 (three of Nadia Alasaad); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 586–88, 590, 592–95, 600, 602–04, 606, 608–620 (nine of Allababidi); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 678, 680–82, 684–85, 688 (seven of Bikkannavar); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 704–05, 707–13 (six of Dupin); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 319-322, 324–25, 327, 329–30, 332–35, 913–15 (eight of Kushkush); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 817, 819–22, 824–26, 828–30, 832, 834, 836–39, 841–45 (eight of Merchant); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 868, 870, 880, 884–85 (four of Shibly).

**Defendants' Response:** Do not dispute that these Plaintiffs have been referred to secondary inspections on multiple occasions but dispute that the cited TECS records for Nadia Alasaad and Bikkannavar indicate that they were searched 3 or 7 times, respectively. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

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Plaintiffs' Reply: Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. TECS records indicate that Nadia Alasaad was subject to three secondary inspections. *See* Exh. 47 (filed under seal) at Bates 338, 350 (July 13, 2017); Bates 363–64 (Feb. 27, 2014); Exh. 48 (filed under seal) at Bates 360 (Aug. 17, 2015). TECS records indicate that Bikkannavar was subject to seven secondary inspections. Exh. 48 (filed under seal) at Bates 668, 670 (Aug. 27, 2014); Bates 672 (Aug. 4, 2015); Bates 674, 676 (Jan. 2, 2016); Bates 686 (Jan. 4, 2004); Bates 687 (July 22, 2005); Exh. 47 (filed under seal) at Bates 678, 680–82, 684–85 (Jan. 31, 2017); Bates 688 (Oct. 10, 2008). This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

168. Seven Plaintiffs are subjected to recurring bag searches at the border. Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 348, 365–66 (three of Ghassan Alasaad); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 348, 910–11 (two of Nadia Alasaad); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 395–96, 593, 602–03 (three of Allababidi in 2017 alone); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 709–10, 713 (three of Dupin); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 299, 306, 915 (three of Kushkush); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 766, 824–26, 828, 830, 832, 838–39, 843, 845 (six of Merchant); Exh. 47 (TECS records) at Bates 868, 875, 880 (three of Shibly).

**Defendants' Response:** Do not dispute that these Plaintiffs have been subject to at least one bag search at the border but dispute that the cited TECS records for Ghassan Alasaad, Nadia Alasaad and Dupin indicate that their bags were searched 3, 2 and 3 times respectively. Further dispute that this is a material fact.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** Defendants do not raise a genuine dispute. TECS records indicate that Ghassan Alasaad was subject to three bag searches. *See* Exh. 47 (filed under seal) at Bates 348 (July, 12, 2017); Bates 365 (Sept. 7, 2006); Bates 366 (Dec. 12, 2005). TECS records indicate that Nadia Alasaad was subject to at least one bag search. *See id.* at Bates 910–11 (Aug. 28, 2017). TECS records indicate

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 93 of 99 that Dupin was subject to three bag searches. *See id.* at Bates 709 (Dec. 22, 2016); Bates 710 (Dec. 23, 2016); Bates 713 (March 6, 2017). This is a material fact to the extent that it supports Plaintiffs' standing. *See* Pl. Br. at Part IV.

#### E. Regular International Travel, Past and Future

#### 1. Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad

169. Ghassan Alasaad has returned to the United States from an international trip at least 13 times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 22. Nadia Alasaad has done so at least 15 times during this period. Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 27.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiffs Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad made these statements in their declarations.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

170. Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad intend to continue traveling internationally for personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with them when they do so. Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶¶ 26, 28; Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶¶ 21, 23. For example, in the summer of 2019, they intend to travel to Egypt, Jordan, and/or Turkey. Exh. 1 (G. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 24; Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 29. Likewise, during the summer of 2019, Nadia Alasaad may travel to Canada. Exh. 2 (N. Alasaad Dec.) at ¶ 30.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiffs Ghassan and Nadia Alasaad made these statements in their declarations but Defendants lack knowledge of their future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

## 2. <u>Suhaib Allababidi</u>

171. Allababidi has returned to the United States from an international trip at least seven times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 3 (Allababidi Dec.) at ¶ 12.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Allababidi made this

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 94 of 99 statement in his declaration.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

172. Allababidi intends to continue traveling internationally for business and personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with him when he does so. *Id.* at ¶¶ 11, 13. For example, he has reserved flights to Turkey in May and home in July of this year, and he may visit China later this year. *Id.* at ¶¶ 14–15.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Allababidi made this statement in his declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

## 3. Sidd Bikkannavar

173. Bikkannavar has returned to the United States from an international trip at least 36 times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 4 (Bikkannavar Dec.) at ¶ 17.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Allababidi made this statement in his declaration.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

174. Bikkannavar intends to continue traveling internationally for personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with him when he does so. Exh. 4 (Bikkannavar Dec.) at ¶¶ 16, 18. For example, he plans to take eight international trips by September 2020 to participate in solar car races and related activities. *Id.* at ¶ 19.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff BIkkannavar made this statement in his declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

#### 4. Jérémie Dupin

175. Dupin has returned to the United States from an international trip at least 21

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 95 of 99 times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 5 (Dupin Dec.) at ¶ 19.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Dupin made this statement in his declaration.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

176. Dupin intends to continue traveling internationally for business and personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with him when he does so. *Id.* at ¶¶ 18, 20. For example, he intends to visit his daughter in Canada. *Id.* at ¶ 21. Also, as a journalist, he intends to travel to Haiti in May or June of 2019, and he may travel to Venezuela later this year. *Id.* at ¶ 22.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Dupin made this statement in his declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

## 5. Aaron Gach

177. Gach has returned to the United States from an international trip at least seven times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 6 (Gach Dec.) at ¶ 14.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Gach made this statement in his declaration.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

178. Gach intends to continue traveling internationally for business and personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with him when he does so. *Id.* at ¶¶ 13, 15. For example, he has purchased airline tickets to Germany in June and home in July. *Id.* at ¶16.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Gach made this statement in his declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

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6. Isma'il Kushkush

Kushkush has returned to the United States from an international trip at least 179.

eight times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 7 (Kushkush Dec.) at ¶ 22.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff KushKush made this statement in

his declaration.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

180. Kushkush intends to continue traveling internationally for his journalism

and for personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with him when he does so. Id. at

¶¶ 21, 23.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff KushKush made this statement in

his declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

7. Zainab Merchant

181. Merchant has returned to the United States from an international trip at

least 12 times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 8 (Merchant Dec.) at ¶ 35.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Merchant made this statement in

her declaration.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

182. Merchant intends to continue traveling internationally for professional and

personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with her when she does so. *Id.* at ¶¶ 34,

36. For example, from now through May 2020, she plans to periodically travel from her

current residence in Canada to her university in Boston in order to complete graduate

studies. *Id.* at  $\P$  37.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Merchant made this statement in

her declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of her future travel plans.

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## 8. Akram Shibly

183. Shibly has returned to the United States from an international trip at least 18 times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 9 (Shibly Dec.) at ¶ 18.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Shibly made this statement in his declaration.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

184. Shibly plans to continue traveling internationally for business and personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with him when he does so. *Id.* at ¶¶ 17, 19.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Shibly made this statement in his declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

## 9. <u>Matthew Wright</u>

185. Wright has returned to the United States from an international trip at least 22 times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 10 (Wright Dec.) at ¶ 16.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Wright made this statement in his declaration.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

186. Wright plans to continue traveling internationally for personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with him when he does so. *Id.* at ¶¶ 15, 17.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Wright made these statements in his declaration, but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

187. Wright attends ultimate Frisbee tournaments outside the United States

Case 1:17-cv-11730-DJC Document 99-1 Filed 07/03/19 Page 98 of 99 regularly, and has attended a tournament in Portugal in June or July each year for the past five years. Wright's brother lives in Scotland, and it is common for him to take at least one trip a year to visit him there or elsewhere in Europe. Wright also has a group of friends who enjoy travel and Wright typically plans a trip or two abroad each year. *Id.* at ¶ 17. Wright has booked plane tickets for one international trip from June 24, 2019 through July 1, 2019. *Id.* at ¶ 18.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Wright made these statements in his declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of his future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

## 10. <u>Diane Mave Zorri</u>

188. Zorri has returned to the United States from an international trip at least 10 times since January 1, 2013. Exh. 11 (Zorri Dec.) at ¶ 11.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Zorri makes this statement in her declaration.

**Plaintiffs' Reply:** No dispute.

189. Zorri plans to continue traveling internationally for professional and personal reasons, and will carry electronic devices with her when she does so. *Id.* at ¶¶ 10, 12. For example, it is significantly possible that Zorri will travel to Italy in June or July 2019, and Zorri has tentative plans to attend conferences in Europe in June and November 2019. *Id.* at ¶¶ 13–14.

**Defendants' Response:** No dispute that Plaintiff Zorri makes this statement in her declaration but Defendants lack knowledge of her future travel plans.

Plaintiffs' Reply: No dispute.

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