

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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FAWZI KHALID ABDULLAH FAHAD AL  
ODAH, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

Civil Action No. 02-828 (CKK)

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, *et al.*,

Defendants.

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**FILED** ✓

**MAY 14 2002**

**NANCY MAYER WHITTINGTON, CLERK  
U.S. DISTRICT COURT**

**ORDER**  
(May 13, 2002)

On May 13, 2002, an on-the-record telephonic conference was held in the above-captioned matter to set a briefing schedule in regard to Plaintiffs' motion for a preliminary injunction. Local Civil Rule 65.1(d) provides that "[o]n request of the moving party together with a statement of the facts which make expedition essential, a hearing on an application for preliminary injunction shall be set by the court no later than 20 days after its filing, unless the court earlier decides the motion on the papers or makes a finding that a later hearing date will not prejudice the parties." LCvR 65.1. In this case, Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction did not include a separate statement of facts indicating that expedition is essential and did not request a hearing. In an earlier motion for consolidation, however, Plaintiffs suggested that a hearing could be held on their motion for preliminary injunction at the same time as a hearing in a related case, *Rasul v. Bush*, 02cv299.

Although the parties did not comply with the technical requirements of Local Civil Rule 65.1, the Court recognizes the importance of this litigation and will expedite matters as prudence and justice dictates. Thus, in accord with the discussions held during the telephonic conference,

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it is this 13 day of May, 2002, hereby


**ORDERED** that Defendants shall file an opposition to the motion for preliminary injunction no later than May 28, 2002; it is further

**ORDERED** that Plaintiffs shall file a reply to Defendants' opposition to the motion for preliminary injunction no later than June 5, 2002; it is further

**ORDERED** that the Court will set a hearing date in June that will accommodate the arguments in this case and the arguments in *Rasul v. Bush*, 02cv299; it is further

**ORDERED** that the Court shall promptly be provided with a courtesy copy of all filings in the above-captioned matter pursuant to the procedures discussed at the conference call held on May 13, 2002.

**SO ORDERED.**

  
COLLEEN KOLLAR-KOTELLY  
United States District Judge

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