

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

SUHAIL ABDUL ANAM, *et al.*,

Petitioners,

v.

**GEORGE W. BUSH,
President of the United States, *et al.*,**

Respondents.

Civil Action No. 04-CV-1194 (HHK)

MAHMOAD ABDAH, *et al.*,

Petitioners,

v.

**GEORGE W. BUSH,
President of the United States, *et al.*,**

Respondents.

Civil Action No. 04-CV-1254 (HKK)

**ORDER DENYING RESPONDENTS' MOTION REGARDING
FURTHER BRIEFING ON COLLATERAL ESTOPPEL ISSUES**

On December 3, 2004, counsel for respondents filed a motion in the two above-captioned cases asking the Court to defer briefing on collateral estoppel issues raised by petitioners in a Supplemental Memorandum in Opposition to Motion to Dismiss. Although the Court is appreciative of respondents' attempts to keep to a minimum the already voluminous briefing submitted to the Court, the Court will make no preliminary indication regarding whether or not it intends to reach issues relating to collateral estoppel in resolving the respondents' motion to

dismiss. Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that Respondents' Motion Regarding Further Briefing on Collateral Estoppel Issues is DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.
December 13, 2004

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JOYCE HENS GREEN
United States District Judge