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Good afternoon Officer (b)(6) and Office (b)(6)

Please see the 3rd referral (of 3), to be sent for your review today.

Per the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (TVPRA), HHS and DHS have jointly devised the Age Determination Procedures for UAC in HHS custody, to ensure multiple forms of evidence are collected by care providers and reviewed by the FFS. Due to age determination concerns, for UAC (b)(6) of Bangladesh with reported DOB of (b)(6) 2001 a dental forensic examination was completed. FFS is submitting this Age Determination Memo to DHS to document that (b)(6) is an adult based on the following facts and evidence:

- 1.) DHS provided a copy of a passport for (b)(6) with ADULT DOB (b)(6) 2000 and passport photo matching (b)(6) placed at Rising Ground (formally Leake and Watts BS)
- 2.) DHS reported age determination concerns, providing BITMAP Data, with (b)(6)'s history of using Adult DOB: (b)(6) 1998.
- 3.) Participant's physical appearance is older than reported age of 17.
- 4.) Dental forensic report results indicate adult age over 18: Avg. Mean Age 17.10; 2 Std. Dev. 3.24; Age range 13.85 – 20.84 and EP 30.97%

Per our joint HHS/DHS policy as staffed with FFS Supervisor, after review of the dental forensic report, adult passport and BITMAP data provided by DHS, and all the facts and evidence listed above, FFS is requesting transfer of custody of this adult participant to DHS. Supportive documentation is password protected with ORR standard password and is attached for your review. Please advise when DHS/FOJC can coordinate transfer of custody with Rising Ground (formally Leake and Watts BS) of this participant to an adult DRO facility.

Thank you,

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