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Please see the message below. The FFS Team handling the cases have used all information that is available to determine if the two individuals are adults. Their review indicates that the two individuals are adults.

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Subject: Re: A215 913 399 &A215 736 852

Good afternoon Jim,

Based on the facts that their country stands by the passports provided and thus their official age is at or above the age of majority in the United States, and the fact that the forensic exams for both individuals does state that the possible age range includes

having reached the age of majority, it is our determination that the original determination that they are adults should stand.

On: 25 October 2018 14:43, "De LA Cruz, James (ACF)" < James.DeLACruz@acf.hhs.gov>wrote:

Hi (b)(6) and (copying all the supervisors for their situational awareness as they may encounter other cases in similar situations.) Please find two dental records that indicate the UAC are minors. That said I asked DHS how reliable are the Banladeshi Embassy records. Below is what I received. Please keep in mind that our policy does not require us to follow one record only. (Rather, we cannot use a dental record as the sole record for age determination.) You may continue to rely on the passport records from the Embassy. (Note the statement below that Bangladesh admits for fraud but they stand by their PP.) When reviewing these types of cases you can also consider objective information including documented contacts with relatives etc. Let me know what you think about these two and also continue to review the ORR policy below.

DHS informed me that, "Bangladesh is very difficult. They have verified every one of the passports as being issued by their government and provided the print-outs from the PP database. To get a passport in Bangladesh, someone has to apply and include a birth certificate with their application. However, they have also acknowledged that a certain amount of fraud exists within their government. For example, we have one that has a BC that Bangladesh verified as authentic and a passport that Bangladesh verified was issued to him. But, the documents have different dates of birth. In this case, the Embassy said that the mother called and said when she gave birth and that she should know since she is the one that birthed him. But, they also told us, they stand behind their passports and that we should consider them to be officially issued."

I know that this is not an easy process but I, as does DHS, standby your decision.

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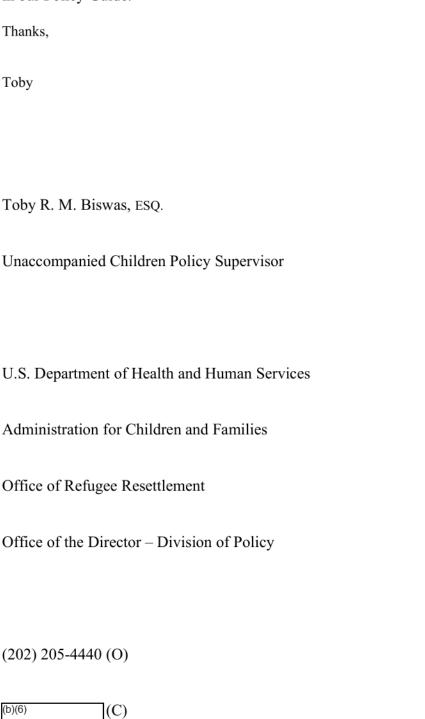
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Subject: Revised Age Determination Policies

Oz and Stephen:

Due to a recent case in Oregon where a U.S. magistrate judge found ORR's joint age determination policy to conflict with the TVPRA we have made some minor revisions. Please find those attached. This language has been cleared by our OGC

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Hi (b)(6);(

I alerted the FFS Supervisor, Micalea Vegara to intervene. The FFS in El Paso should be responding to day or Monday. Please let your colleagues know we are working on this.

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Understood ma'am,

Please ask the attorney to contact Elicia Smith. Once Elicia is provided with more information in regards to who provided the birth certificate to the attorney and how it was validated Elicia will provide that information to Ivonne and I. If we determine that the documentation in fact belongs to this individual and is a verified birth record we will contact you and request that you

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Hello,

Based on the information provided I concur with Elicia and Ivonne that this individual is an adult. There is one issue to consider and that is highlighted at the end of the ORR Policy that I am including in this email with an explanation after that.

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Understood ma'am. If the attorney provides you with additional information we will consider that information or if she choose to contact ORR via Elicia

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Hello,

Based on the information provided I concur with Elicia and Ivonne that this individual is an adult. There is one issue to consider and that is highlighted at the end of the ORR Policy that I am including in this email with an explanation after that.

1.6.2 Instructions

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- Will keep you posted on the outcome of his medical appointment. And if his MRI brain scan could be assessed for age - would DHS review this case further?

Thank you,
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To assess the radiograph in a manner most favorable to the individual, I used the Ancestry Unknown database which considers data from all of the listed studies.

Let me know if you have questions.
Best regards,
David
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and FFS is also providing updates regarding FFS/ICC efforts as of 12/29:

docs were sent by Consulate to India for verification),

1.)

Participant has had several concerning SIR's in the last month a.) felt ICC staff believed him to be a "26 YEARS OLD" adult, touched elbows with a younger adolescent female UC during an ICC group outing at a local park, SIR

for AWOL concerns/torn up window in sleeping quarters/UC bedroom of shelter, verbal abuse/profanity, yelling at shelter Staff over the holidays, and for medical concerns noted below.

2.)

Participant self-reported to clinician, he was taking medication in India previously for cholesterol (possibly to lower it/as taken by adults).

3.)

Participant is noted to be 6 feet tall, 212 pounds, is taking many medications for self-reported issues since arrival, with numerous ER visits and several hospitalizations (with 24/7 supervision from ICC staff).

4.)

Participant is currently hospitalized again after another ER visit, pending a colonoscopy procedure for 1/25/18.

5.)

Per Jan. reports- the Indian national government ID database Aadhaar security breach/es in May-July 2017, compromised info for millions (may be impacting the Consulates' ability to verify Indian docs)

https://techcrunch.com/2018/01/04/indias-national-id-database-is-reportedly-accessible-for-less-than-10

http://www.tribuneindia.com/news/nation/rs-500-10-minutes-and-you-have-access-to-billion-aadhaar-details/523361.html

6.)

FFS requested 2nd opinion forensic evaluation report. Dr. Senn indicated developed permanent teeth, advised he used a different database, with 89.65% EP, mean age 20.45 (attached)

7.)

FFS requested ICC try to secure any medical records for the participant if possible, but the mother has denied (b)(6) having any significant medical or medication history, and has not sent any other docs.

As (b)(eports his journey took 3.5 months, and flew through many countries, and as family has not provided his passport to ICC-

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*In the event any other medical records provide information about $(b)(6)$ age, this will be elevated by FFS to FFS Supervisors and DHS will be notified.			
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ICC Case of (b)(6)
Importance: High
Good evening Supervisor and Officer $(b)(6);(b)(7)(0)$ DHS,
In consultation with FFS Supervisor, FFS is re-submitting prior ORR request for Transfer of Custody of ICC Participant - Per HHS/DHS joint age determination policy, namely 1.6 Determining the Age of an Individual without Lawful Immigration Status, in which the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (TVPRA) instructs
HHS to devise age

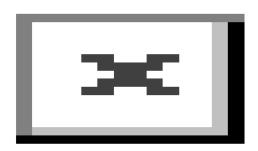
determination procedures for individuals without lawful immigration status in consultation with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and in order to carry out the TVPRA provision,

in which HHS and DHS worked jointly to develop the age determination policies and procedures in this section. Each agency acknowledges the challenges in determining the age of individuals in custody, listed below for this case, but not limited to:

- Unavailable documentation; (or lack of cooperation from participant's family to provide needed documentation)
- Contradictory or fraudulent identity documentation and/or statements; (lack of cooperation from Consulate/Embassy government officials will not verify nationality or verify documents)
- NEITHERthe Consulate in Chicago nor the Embassy in D.C. have verified Participant's Nationality- as being from India
- NEITHER the Consulate in Chicago nor the Embassy in D.C. have verified that HANDWRITTEN BC/with juvenile DOB provided by the family, is an authentic document or that it belongs to him.
- DHS advised participant has a history of providing an adult DOB (b)(6) /97
- Physical appearance of the individual; (photo attached)
- Diminished capacity of the individual (noted excessive child-like behaviors of concern/possibly in an attempt to deter from an older age, and other SIR's at the shelter)

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FORENSIC/MEDICAL AGE ASSESSMENT with 97.5% probability, 21.55 mean age, and age range 19.15- 23.95 noted below, was reviewed by FFS Supervisor, and per all the concerns noted for this case and per joint HHS/DHS policy, Supervisor has requested FFS re-submit request for transfer of custody.



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Despite multiple efforts by FFS, CFS, and ICC, requesting that government officials (India Consulate in Chicago and Embassy in

D.C) verify the validity of the documentation provided for this participant, they have not completed this request. To date, neither the participant's nationality, nor his alleged DOB have been verified. The FFS supervisor has reviewed the determination regarding the age submitted by the examining doctor noting the joint policy below.

If an individual's estimated probability of being 18 or older is 75 percent or greater according to a medical age assessment, and this evidence has been considered in conjunction with the totality of the evidence, ORR may refer the individual to DHS. The 75 percent probability threshold applies to all medical methods and approaches identified by the medical community as appropriate methods for assessing age.

The FFS compiles all pertinent information (e.g., how reasonable suspicion was raised that the subject is over 18, the information referenced, the individuals or agencies consulted, statements and conclusions) and documents it in a memorandum for review and approval by the FFS Supervisor.

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The FFS then will forward the memo to the care provider facility case manager to be included in the unaccompanied alien child's case file and to the ICE Detention and Removal Office (DRO) Field Office Juvenile

Coordinator (FOJC) for inclusion in the unaccompanied alien child's A-file.

Please advise how soon DHS/FOJC can coordinate transfer of custody with ICC of this participant to an adult DRO facility.

Thank you,
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Thank you Officer (F) any assistance would be greatly appreciated. We will also advise DHS/FOJC if the Consulate or Embassy respond.
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Good afternoon DHS/FOJC team,
Per the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (TVPRA), HHS and DHS have jointly devised age determination procedures for UAC in HHS custody to ensure multiple forms of evidence are collected by the care provider and reviewed by the FFS. The case of ICC participant: [b)(6) AXXX-XXX-[b)(6) from India with reported DOB of (b)(6) /2000, was elevated to the FFS due to concerns listed below indicating he may be an adult over the age of 18:
1.) Physical appearance of the individual
2.) Participant has had IR's and SIR's noted for struggles at current shelter placement (e.g. self-imposed food strike, and other self-harm, verbal threats regarding potential harm to roommates due to change in room assignment, consistent complaints of medical issues/stomach and other discomforts, excessive requests for medication, reports of anxiety, has received addt'l supports and psychiatric evaluation etc.)
3.) Participant recently separated from group with another peer UC during an outing at the park, with staff noting some suspicious behaviors potentially indicative of AWOL/flight risk concerns
4.) DHS reported that participant used an adult date of birth of [b)(6) 1997 prior to entry to U.S.

- 5.)
 Verification request for BC sent by ICC to prior Indian Consulate POC with on 11/5/17, pending response- no response to date
- 6.)
 Verification requests sent to the Indian EMBASSY for BC and ID (by CFS on 12/12 and 12/13 in which Embassy confirmed receipt, and time sensitive request re-sent by FFS on 12/18/17) PENDING RESPONSE
- 7.)
 Discrepancy noted, as Minor's mother reported (b)(6) was most recently enrolled in 10th grade in India, but minor reported he had dropped out of 12th grade.
- 8.)
 Dental Forensic was completed, with results attached: Age range 19.15- 23.95 years of age, MEAN AGE: 21.55, and 97.50% probability that the participant in custody is an adult over the age of 18.

Attached documentation: forensic report, photo, NTA, unverified handwritten birth certificate; minor India ID card with photo; DHS documents; efforts thus far to India consulate 11/5 and Indian Embassy 12/12, 12/13,

12/18; request to DHS e-mail; school record; family ration card; another reported India government card belonging to minor. In consultation with and per approval from FFS Supervisor, FFS is requesting transfer of custody of this participant to DHS for this adult, per the attached forensic report with 97.5% probability of being over AGE 18, with adult age range 19.15-23.95, with mean age of 22, and as BC with juvenile DOB has not been verified. Please advise how soon DHS/FOJC can coordinate transfer of custody with ICC of this participant to an adult DRO facility.

Thank you,

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Apologies for the long wait. Please find

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Subject: RE: Bangladesh UAC's

Hello,

I received a notice from the FFS Supervisor who worked on the cases. She is having technical difficulty in sending the passports we have on the two. (We received them from DHS previously.) My understanding is that the passports, verified by the Bangladeshi government, indicates both are adults.

Please stand by for a brief tome longer as I work to get you a copy of the documents.

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