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**Memo of Age Redetermination  
November 3, 2018**

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**SUBJECT:** Age Redetermination of an individual in ORR care

**RE:** (b)(6) (b)(6) (b)(6) A# (b)(6)

(b)(6) (b)(6) (b)(6) was transferred to and placed in HHS ORR care with Southwest Key Casa Phoenix on September 9, 2018 with date of birth (b)(6), 2001.

The Case Manager requested a copy of the birth certificate from his alleged mother, Ms. (b)(6), who resides in Bangladesh. A copy of the formal document was received showing a date of birth of (b)(6) 2001.

On October 19, 2018, Dr. Arvanitis concluded that the probability that Mr. (b)(6) having attained 18 years of age is 68.45%.

When asked about his journey to the US Mr. (b)(6) stated that his mother spoke to an agent who was going to meet him at the airport and help him board the plane. He stated that he did not know this agent and that he knows that all his family contributed to paying this agent's fee, but he is unaware of the total amount. He stated that he traveled from Bangladesh to Qatar, Tanzania, where he spent 10 hours. He traveled then to Brazil, Peru, Ecuador, Columbia, Panama, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, Mexico, and lastly to Texas. He stated that he does not know the time frames of when he arrived at a country and when he left. He stated that the whole trip took about 6 months.

Mr. (b)(6) reported to come to the U.S. to live with his uncle (b)(6) (b)(6) in New York. During the assessment the prospective sponsor became irritated when he was asked to provide information to prove their relationship. He stated that he left Bangladesh 23 years ago and that he does not have any established relationship with Mr. (b)(6). He reported that his sister is married to Mr. (b)(6) uncle; therefore they don't have a blood relationship or any prior personal relationship. Sponsor stated that he is only sponsoring Mr. (b)(6) because his sister asked him to do so.

The case manager received a copy of birth certificate for Mr. (b)(6) which was reported to be authentic on October 2, 2018 in the public website. Mr. (b)(6) was interviewed by Bangladesh consulate on October 3, 2018 and no other information has been provided by the consulate.

Mr. (b)(6) acknowledged that he was not permitted to leave his country of origin as a minor and had traveled with documents indicating that he was an adult, but he was hesitant to provide any further details about this misrepresentation of identity. He kept stating that documents presented here are the originals and that he does not know about the passport information.

Along with this Memo ORR is submitting the following documents:

- TB Clearance
- Immunizations
- Birth Certificate
- Dental Forensic
- Consulate's Results of Birth Certificate

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In accordance with ORR age redetermination policy and procedures, Mr. (b)(6) (b)(6) (b)(6) dental forensics results are 68.45% and ORR requests that FOJC coordinates and ensure the immediate transfer of custody of this individual to an adult DRO facility.

Respectfully,

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