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FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

JUYEL AHMED, et al., Civil Action No. 00-0005 **Plaintiffs** ORDER SETTING STATUS v. CONFERENCE ON THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) RECORD TO DETERMINE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NEED FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER NORTHERN MARIANA, Defendants RUI LIANG, et al., **Plaintiffs** Civil Action No. 99-0046 v. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA, Defendants

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BASED UPON the representations made in the May 17, 2002, filings of the named plaintiffs that they face immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage; to wit, the possibility of deportation or *refoulement* and plaintiffs' counsel's representation that JIANG, Xiu Ying is the previously unidentified plaintiff "Roe 1," and,

THE COURT'S previous order of September 17, 1999, in the now-consolidated companion case of Liang, et al. v. United States of America, et al., Civil Action No. 99-0046, being still in full force and effect and that said order prevents defendant Commonwealth from deporting any plaintiff during the pendency of this lawsuit, NOW, THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED that a status conference will be held on the record with all parties on Wednesday, May 22, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. to determine what, if any, further steps the court shall take.

DATED this 20th day of May, 2002.

ALEX R. MUNSON

Judge