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The Executive Office for Immigration Review to Close Lancaster Immigration Court

FALLS CHURCH, Va. The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) today announced it will close its Lancaster Immigration Court, located at the Mira Loma Facility, 45100 N. 60th Street West, Lancaster, California, on Oct. 31, 2012. EOIR is closing the Lancaster Immigration Court as a result of the expiration of the lease between the Federal Government and the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department that manages Mira Loma.

All pending cases for respondents in custody at the time of this closure will be transferred to the Los Angeles Immigration Court for Video Teleconference hearings. Respondents and their attorneys will be notified of their rescheduled hearings. All filings that were to go to the Lancaster Immigration Court should be sent to the Los Angeles Immigration Court at the following location: 606 S. Olive Street, 15th Floor, Los Angeles, Calif. 90014 with the added notation: Attention - former Lancaster Immigration Court case.

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The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) is an agency within the Department of Justice. Under delegated authority from the Attorney General, immigration judges and the Board of Immigration Appeals interpret and adjudicate immigration cases according to United States immigration laws. EOIR's immigration judges conduct administrative court proceedings in immigration courts located throughout the nation. They determine whether foreign-born individuals—whom the Department of Homeland Security charges with violating immigration law—should be ordered removed from the United States or should be granted relief from removal and be permitted to remain in this country. The Board of Immigration Appeals primarily reviews appeals of decisions by immigration judges. EOIR's Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer adjudicates immigration-related employment cases. EOIR is committed to ensuring fairness in all of the cases it adjudicates.

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