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Press Release

***Chief Judge Lamberth Responds to Attorney General Mukasey's Remarks
Regarding Guantanamo Habeas Proceedings***

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 21, 2008—U.S. District Court Chief Judge Royce C. Lamberth responded today to remarks delivered earlier by Attorney General Michael B. Mukasey regarding the Guantanamo habeas proceedings pending before the Court.

“I am pleased that Attorney General Mukasey said that our ‘court should be commended for the preliminary steps it has taken thus far to provide for the fair, efficient, and prompt adjudication of these cases.’ Guidance from Congress on these difficult subjects is, of course, always welcome. Because we are on a fast track, however, such guidance sooner, rather than later, would certainly be most helpful,” said Lamberth.

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