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Mr. Mark J. Langer
Clerk, United States Court of Appeals
for the District of Columbia Circuit
United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Ave., NW
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Re: *Priests for Life v. U.S. Dep't of Health & Human Servs.*, Nos. 13-5368, 13-5371, 14-5021

We write to inform the Court that on May 16, 2016, the Supreme Court issued a per curiam opinion in *Zubik v. Burwell*, ___ S. Ct. ___, 2016 WL 2842449, and other cases pending before it “vacat[ing] the judgments below and remand[ing] to the respective United States Courts of Appeals.” *Id.* at *2; *see also* Order List, Certiorari – Summary Dispositions (U.S. May 16, 2016) (vacating judgments and remanding in light of *Zubik*). The Court “expresse[d] no view on the merits of the cases. In particular, the Court d[id] not decide whether petitioners’ religious exercise has been substantially burdened, whether the Government has a compelling interest, or whether the current regulations are the least restrictive means of serving that interest.” *Zubik*, 2016 WL 2842449, at *2.

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 45, the Supreme Court’s judgment or mandate will not issue for at least twenty-five days after the Court’s opinion. *See, e.g.*, Ltr. from Clerk of the Supreme Court, *Zubik v. Burwell*, No. 14-1377 (3d Cir. May 16, 2016). We are studying the *Zubik* opinion and the remand orders and will file a status report within 30 days.

Sincerely,

s/ Alisa B. Klein

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s/ Alisa B. Klein

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