UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

In the Matter of:

VIRGILIO SAN PEDRO, JR.,

Petitioner.

24-AF-0107-AG-074 (Claim No. 721021201)

October 11, 2024

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

On January 12, 2024, the Tribunal received Petitioner's *Hearing Request* wherein Petitioner disputed the existence of the debt claimed by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Thereafter, the Tribunal ordered Petitioner to file documentary evidence in support of Petitioner's position. Petitioner did not comply or otherwise respond.

Having not received a timely filing from Petitioner, the Tribunal ordered Petitioner to show cause as to why the appeal should not be dismissed. Again, Petitioner did not comply or respond.

When a party fails to comply with an order of the Tribunal, the Tribunal may impose a sanction that reasonably relates to the severity and nature of the failure. 24 C.F.R. § 26.4. If a party fails to prosecute or defend an action, dismissal of the matter or a decision against that party may also be imposed. <u>Id.</u> at § 26.4(d).

To date, Petitioner has not complied with the Tribunal's orders or otherwise produced evidence in support of the position that Petitioner does not owe the alleged debt. Accordingly, this matter is **DISMISSED**, and the stay of proceedings issued on January 17, 2024, is hereby **VACATED**.

So ORDERED,

ALEXANDER

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PONS

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OU = Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Secretary

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Alexander Fernández-Pons Administrative Law Judge