AFFIDAVIT ABOUT MY DAUGHTER’S ILLNESS AT THE DILLEY DETENTION CENTER

1. My name is [redacted].

2. I have been detained at the Dilley family detention center for several weeks with my three-year old daughter [redacted].

3. We were first detained after we crossed the U.S. border on August 21, 2015.

4. My daughter has been very sick since the second week of our time in detention.

5. My daughter has had a fever and diarrhea, and she has been vomiting and coughing. Her ear started to hurt so much that she was constantly clutching it.

6. I tried to get her medical treatment. When I went to the medical unit, we had to wait five or six hours before my daughter could be seen. When I finally saw a nurse, I told him about all of her symptoms. The nurse took her blood pressure and examined her mouth and ear. He said it looked like she was dehydrated and her eardrum had exploded, so he took her to see a doctor. The doctor examined her mouth and ear, and told me that it was a virus or infection, and that we shouldn’t worry about it. They did not give me any medication for my daughter, except for some Vick’s VapoRub. The doctor just said that I had to wait two to three weeks for my daughter to get better.

7. [redacted] was perfectly healthy before she was detained. Now she is suffering. She has lost weight because she is not eating properly. She has become very thin.

8. The milk here seems to make her sick. Every time she drinks milk, she vomits and has diarrhea. I have stopped giving her milk, but she gets very hungry and begs to drink it.
9. Even though my daughter is still sick, I have not returned to see the doctor again because they did not do anything to help her when I went before.

10. I have gone to the commissary to look for something to give her, to help her regain her health, but they didn't have anything for her.

11. I am very worried about my daughter here.

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Signature

9/14/15

Date

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Dilley, Texas

Place