

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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**ARAB STUDENT UNION OF  
JACKSON-REED HIGH SCHOOL,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, *et al.*,**

**Defendants.**

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**Civil Action No. 1:24-cv-01195-ACR**

**JOINT STATUS REPORT**

Plaintiff Arab Student Union of Jackson-Reed High School (ASU) and Defendants District of Columbia and Sah Brown (collectively, the Parties), respectfully submit the following Joint Status Report, as ordered by the Court at the May 7, 2024 Status Conference. *See also* May 7, 2024 Minute Order. The Parties met with their respective clients and, in order to resolve the issues raised in Plaintiff's pending Motion for Preliminary Injunction [2] without the need for further litigation, the Parties agree as follows:

1. ASU will be permitted to show, at their option, one of three Films—*The Wanted 18*, *Farha*, or *5 Broken Cameras*—in a classroom at Jackson-Reed High School during the lunch period on May 29 and 30, 2024. In advance of the first showing, ASU will provide to Principal Brown in writing, to the best of ASU's ability, answers to the following questions:

- a. Who created the film?
- b. What is the author's perspective?
- c. Why was it created?
- d. When was it created?

- e. Where was it created?
- f. Is this source reliable? Why? Why not?

2. ASU will be permitted to distribute at Jackson-Reed High School, before June 7, 2024, copies of the zine in the record at ECF 2-3, including the panel titled “Handala,” but replacing the panel entitled “the Key of Palestine” with one of the panels on the zine in the record at ECF 2-4.

3. The Parties continue to discuss an email that Principal Brown intends to send to all faculty and administrators at Jackson-Reed High School, reiterating the standards that apply to all student organizations equally for the posting of materials, viewing of films, and planning of events and activities.

4. Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff hereby withdraws the pending Motion for Preliminary Injunction [2], and the Parties jointly request that the Court vacate the motion hearing scheduled for May 10, 2024.

Dated: May 8, 2024

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