IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

BROCK STONE, et al.,

Plaintiffs, :

v. : Civil Action No. GLR-17-2459

DONALD J. TRUMP, et al.,

Defendants. :

ORDER

Pending before the Court is Defendants President Donald J. Trump, Acting Secretary of Defense Patrick M. Shanahan, Secretary of the Army Mark Esper, Secretary of the Navy Richard Spencer, Secretary of the Air Force Heather Wilson, Secretary of Homeland Security Kirstjen Nielsen, and Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard Karl L. Schultz Motion to Stay the Preliminary Injunction and Request for Expedited Ruling (ECF No. 234). The Motion is ripe for disposition, and no hearing is necessary. See Local

.. [t]ransgender individuals to serve in any

¹ On January 1, 2019, President Trump appointed Shanahan Acting Secretary of Defense. Accordingly, the Court substitutes Shanahan for James Mattis. <u>See</u> Fed.R.Civ.P. 25(d).

² On June 1, 2018, President Trump appointed Schultz Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard. Accordingly, the Court substitutes Schultz for Paul Zukunft. <u>See</u> Fed.R.Civ.P. 25(d).

(2d Am. Compl. ¶¶ 6, 148).³ On August 25, 2017, President

capacity in

Memorandum vice

members announced in his Tweets. ($\underline{\text{Id.}}$ ¶ 8). President Trump also directed the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan for implementing the policy directives in the 2017 Memorandum by February 21, 2018. ($\underline{\text{Id.}}$).

On November 21, 2017, this Court issued a Preliminary Injunction enjoining the 2017

Memorandum. (Prelim. Inj. at 1 2, ECF No. 84). Three different federal district courts in California, Washington, and Washington, D.C. also entered preliminary injunctions prohibiting enforcement of certain directives in the 2017 Memorandum. Stockman v. Trump, No. EDCV 17-1799 JGB (KKx), 2017 WL 9732572, at *16 (C.D.Cal. Dec. 22, 2017)

); Karnoski v. Trump, No.

C17-1297-MJP, 2017 WL 6311305, at *10 (W.D.Wash. Dec. 11, 2017) (enjoining the taking any action relative to transgender individuals that is inconsistent

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appeal dismissed, No. 17-

, <u>vacated sub nom.</u> <u>Doe 2 v. Shanahan</u>, No. 18-5257, 2019 WL 102309 (D.C.Cir. Jan. 4, 2019).

On February 22, 2018, the Secretary of Defense submitted to President Trump an implementation plan , which recommended changes to the transgender service policy set forth in the 2017 Memorandum, including a grandfathering provision that would permit transge

315 F.Supp.3d 474, 498 (D.D.C. 2018), ______ <u>Doe 2 v. Shanahan</u>, No. 18-5257, 2019 WL 102309 (D.C.Cir. Jan. 4, 2019); <u>Karnoski v. Trump</u>, No. C17-1297-MJP, 2018 WL 1784464, at *14 (W.D.Wash. Apr. 13, 2018). The defendants appealed in each of these cases. See Stockman v. Trump, No. 18-56539 (9th Cir. Nov. 16, 2018

distinguish Plaintiffs in this case from those for whom the Supreme Court rejected a narrow tailoring of the stays.

Thus, because the Court

preliminary injunctions in their entirety,

Accordingly, it is this 7th day of March, 2019, by the United States District Court for the

District of Maryland, hereby:

ORDERED that

Motion to Stay the Preliminary Injunction and Request

for Expedited Ruling (ECF No. 234) is GRANTED.

/s/

George L. Russell, III

United States District Judge