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## In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

Filed: June 11, 2007

IN RE: CLAIMS FOR VACCINE INJURIES RESULTING IN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER OR A SIMILAR NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISORDER

VARIOUS PETITIONERS,

v.

SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Respondent.

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## **ORDER**

For the purposes of the Omnibus Autism Proceeding ("OAP"), and for the reasons indicated in the ruling issued on June 8, 2007, in <u>Cedillo v. Sec'y of HHS</u>, the undersigned special masters will defer deciding whether we will rely on the reports of Dr. Bustin (Respondent's Exhibits WW and XX) as evidence in the OAP. However, the parties may question Dr. Bustin or any other expert witness concerning the contents of these two reports at the proceedings commencing on June 11, 2007.

We need not decide the issue of consideration of the reports of Drs. Simmonds and Rima filed in the United Kingdom case of Sayers et al. vs. SmithKline Beecham Plc and others, for the June 11, 2007 hearing. Respondent orally indicated after the recorded status conference on June 8, 2007, that it will not ask us to consider these reports as evidence at this time. We will revisit this issue, should respondent seek future consideration of these reports in the OAP.

In the recorded status conference held on June 8, 2007, the PSC, as well as counsel for Michelle Cedillo, raised the issue of access to all of the reports filed in <u>Sayers</u>. Should the PSC file a formal application in the United Kingdom court for release of these expert reports, we will favorably consider joining in a request for release of relevant reports.

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