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Washington, D.C. 20530

The Honorable Kris Mayes
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Dear Attorney General Mayes:

I am writing in response to your office's letter dated June 6, 2024, regarding Arizona's application for certification, pursuant to Chapter 154 of Title 28 of the United States Code, of the State's mechanism for appointing counsel in postconviction proceedings for indigent prisoners subject to capital sentences. In that letter, Arizona informed the U.S. Department of Justice that it would not be providing the further information the Department had requested in its prior correspondence. Rather, Arizona requested that the Attorney General of the United States "make a final determination based on the information Arizona has conveyed."

The Attorney General has done so, and has denied Arizona's application for certification pursuant to Chapter 154. The Attorney General's Order is enclosed with this letter.

Sincerely,

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