Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission December 13, 2022 (6:00-8:00 PM)

Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present: Maria Jimenez-Zepeda, Emmanuel G. V. Dolo, Afra Mahmood

Commissioners Absent: Ilays Aden, Bao-Tram Do, Amanda Sandoval,

Staff Present: Luanda Arai, Hamdi Mohamed

Guests: Gul Siddiqi, Heather Yang Hwalek, Representatives from local

immigrant/refugee-led community-based organizations.

Call to Order: 6:15 pm

Welcome – Luanda opened the meeting and introduced Director Hamdi Mohamed.

Welcoming Remarks

• Director Mohamed gave an overview of OIRA's 2022 accomplishments and goals for 2023.

Overview/Introduction

• Maria provided context for the meeting to external guests.

Community Conversations

• Commissioners led conversations with external guests.

Closing

• Emmanuel made closing remarks.

Adjourn

• The commission adjourned at 8:05 pm. There was no executive session.