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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

<p>VERDU PANDAPOTAN,</p> <p>Petitioner,</p> <p>v.</p> <p>ERIC H. HOLDER, Jr., Attorney General,</p> <p>Respondent.</p>
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No. 06-75145

Agency No. A097-194-309

MEMORANDUM*

On Petition for Review of an Order of the
Board of Immigration Appeals

Submitted February 18, 2009**

Before: BEEZER, FERNANDEZ, and W. FLETCHER, Circuit Judges.

Verdu Pandapotan, a native and citizen of Indonesia, petitions for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' ("BIA") order dismissing his appeal from an immigration judge's decision denying his application for asylum, withholding of

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** The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

removal, and protection under the Convention Against Torture (“CAT”). We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252. We review for substantial evidence, *Nagoulko v. INS*, 333 F.3d 1012, 1015 (9th Cir. 2003), and we deny the petition for review.

The record does not compel the conclusion that changed or extraordinary circumstances excused the untimely filing of Pandapotan’s asylum application. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1208.4(a)(4), (5); *Ramadan v. Gonzales*, 479 F.3d 646, 656-58 (9th Cir. 2007) (per curiam). Accordingly, Pandapotan’s asylum claim fails.

Substantial evidence supports the BIA’s denial of withholding of removal because Pandapotan’s experiences, considered both individually and cumulatively, did not rise to the level of past persecution. *See Nagoulko*, 333 F.3d at 1016-18. In addition, even if the disfavored group analysis set forth in *Sael v. Ashcroft*, 386 F.3d 922, 927-29 (9th Cir. 2004) applies to Christian Indonesians in the context of withholding of removal, Pandapotan did not establish any individualized risk and consequently failed to establish that it was more likely than not that he will be persecuted if he returns to Indonesia. *See Hoxha v. Ashcroft*, 319 F.3d 1179, 1184-85 (9th Cir. 2003).

Substantial evidence also supports the BIA’s determination that Pandapotan is not entitled to CAT relief because he failed to establish that it is more likely than

not that he will be tortured if he returns to Indonesia. *See Malhi v. INS*, 336 F.3d 989, 993 (9th Cir. 2003).

PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.