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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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| <p>JORGE ALBERTO MEDRANO-CORTEZ,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Petitioner,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">v.</p> <p>ERIC H. HOLDER, Jr., Attorney General,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Respondent.</p> |
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No. 09-70570

Agency No. A017-259-069

MEMORANDUM\*

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

Submitted February 21, 2012\*\*

Before: FERNANDEZ, McKEOWN, and BYBEE, Circuit Judges.

Jorge Alberto Medrano-Cortez, a native and citizen of El Salvador, petitions pro se for review of a Board of Immigration Appeals’ order dismissing his appeal from an immigration judge’s removal order. We dismiss the petition for review.

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\* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

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

We lack jurisdiction over this petition for review because Medrano-Cortez knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily waived his right to appeal. *See United States v. Estrada-Torres*, 179 F.3d 776, 781 (9th Cir. 1999) (“Because the immigration judge explained the right to appeal to Estrada-Torres (with the other deportees) and individually asked him specifically if he wanted to appeal his deportation order, his waiver of his right to appeal was ‘considered and intelligent.’”), *overruled on other grounds in United States v. Rivera-Sanchez*, 247 F.3d 905 (9th Cir. 2001); *See Joo v. INS*, 813 F.2d 211, 212 (9th Cir. 1987) (per curiam) (“A waiver of the right to appeal is a failure to exhaust administrative remedies.”).

In light of our disposition, we need not reach Medrano-Cortez’s remaining contentions.

**PETITION FOR REVIEW DISMISSED.**