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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

PRAMESH K. C. MAHARAJ,

Petitioner,

v.

ERIC HOLDER,

Respondent,

No. 12-71006

Agency No. A073-123-391

MEMORANDUM*

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

Argued and Submitted September 11, 2013
San Francisco, California

Before: SCHROEDER and BYBEE, Circuit Judges, and BEISTLINE,** Chief
District Judge.

We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252(a). We review *de novo* the
BIA's and IJ's determinations of purely legal questions, and we review their

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except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

** The Honorable Ralph R. Beistline, United States District Judge for the
District of Alaska, sitting by designation.

factual findings for substantial evidence. *Ali v. Holder*, 637 F.3d 1025, 1028-29 (9th Cir. 2011). Accordingly, we decide whether to grant or deny the petition for review based on the BIA's or IJ's reasoning rather than our own independent analysis of the record. *Id.* at 1029.

We find that substantial evidence supported the determination that Maharaj failed to establish a clear probability of future torture, and that the BIA and the IJ adequately conducted an individualized analysis. There was no due process error in the IJ's handling of the case.

The Petition is DENIED.