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300200013					
386197900					
DR-3662-09	Romarm/Cugir 7.62 rifle	San Dimas, Durango	21-Apr-10	(b) (7)(C)	785115-10-0021
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Thanks for assistance in this matter,

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, September 03, 2010 12:13 PM

To: Newell, William D. Subject: Rc: GRIT

They'il not go beyond Dan and me. These are really very informative.

Thanks

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From: Newell, William D. (b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Fri Sep 03 11:28:08 2010

Subject: RE: GRIT

1 of 2 e-mails.

You didn't get these from me...

The first attachment is what we were going to hand out to the media prior to our planned August 26th press conference. We will still use this IF we ever do a press conf. It had been vetted through ATF HQ. The second Word doc is what we were going to give to ATF DD Meison as notes in case he got asked specific questions about our Industry Operations efforts during GRIT.

Also, not mentioned in these docs but VERY relevant to Mr. Brennan's meeting next week is the fact that we and the USA were going to announce the indictment of a dozen "straw purchase" case addressing firearms trafficking by 30 individuals. We finally have the USAO here on board with going after "straw" purchasers and making a statement, publically especially, that we will take action against those folks. In reality we look at "straw" purchases as the lowest ring on the firearms trafficking ladder but in many investigations we need their cooperation in order to identify the real traffickers and middlemen. Having the USAO backing our "play" when we first interact with "straw" purchases adds tremendous leverage to our efforts to get the truth from them so we can work our way up the ladder.

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Sent: Thursday, September 02, 2010 7:47 AM

To: Newell, William D. **Subject:** Re: GRIT

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Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 9:35 PM To: Newell, William D.; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: (b) (5)



Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director for North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

From: Newell, William D. [mailto(b)(7)(C) **Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2010 8:55 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** Re: Talking points

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To: Newell, William D.; (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Mon May 17 20:53:03 2010
Subject: RE: Talking points

was looking into this - I'm frankly not sure. I will have a question for you in a moment, however, as I knock through some requests from the Mexicans on arms trafficking, so - stay tuned!

Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director for North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House



From: Newell, William D. (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 8:51 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** Talking points

Just following up now that I'm back in sunny Phoenix whether or not you received all that you asked for (or close to it) from ATF HQ in prep for Wednesday meeting.

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Here are the ATF News Clips for Saturday, Sept. 18, 2010, Set 1 of 2

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

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Sept. 18, 2010

Sierra Vista plays key role in new border gunrunning crackdown

Sat, 09/18/2010

By Derek Jordan Herald/Review

SIERRA VISTA — The federal <u>Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives is stepping up its effort to stop the flow of illegal guns flowing into Mexico and into the hands of drug cartels. The agency is setting up specialized teams along known trafficking hubs and routes, including Sierra Vista.</u>

Project Gunrunner will establish teams in seven U.S. cities: Atlanta, Dallas, Brownsville, Texas, Las Vegas, Miami, Oklahoma City and Sierra Vista.

The move is a follow-up to the ATF's Gun Runner Impact Team (GRIT) initiative, which saw a 100-day deployment of resources to the Phoenix Field Division, according to the agency.

Officials said the GRIT initiative resulted in "174 firearms trafficking-related criminal investigations" and the seizure of "approximately 1,300 illegally trafficked firearms and 71,000 rounds of ammunition, along with drugs and currency."

<u>Deputy Director Kenneth E. Melson said, "Lives are being lost to violent crime every day on both sides of the U.S.</u> and Mexico border," Melson said. "Through Project Gunrunner and its GRIT initiative, ATF is shutting down the supply routes of firearms traffickers along the border and further inland."

Nearly 100 defendants have been arrested, charged, convicted or sentenced since June 2010 on gun-related charges thanks to the GRIT initiative, said Dennis K. Burke, U.S. attorney for Arizona. The defendants included violent felons, as well as drug and weapons traffickers.

The cases involved more than 370 guns, including AK-47-style rifles, and hundreds of thousands of rounds of ammunition smuggled into or destined for Mexico, the statement reads.

"We are fighting on a crucial front here today to reduce violence in our own communities, and to disrupt and dismantle the southbound supply of weapons to the cartels," Burke said.

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The Arizona Republic

Sept. 18, 2010

Feds link Arizona buyers to drug cartels' guns

'Straw buyers' tied to arms later used in Mexico crimes

by JJ Hensley - Sept. 18, 2010 12:00 AM The Arizona Republic

In a sweeping operation aimed at uncovering "straw buyers" blamed for funneling high-powered guns to Mexican drug cartels, federal agents have arrested dozens of Arizonans and seized a large amount of weapons.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives says its successful investigation is just the beginning of ramped-up efforts to stop the illegal export of American weapons and is aimed at nailing the middle men who buy weapons on behalf of others for use in major crimes.

Arizona's status as a guns-and-drug hub for the rest of the country has created an industry that brings tons of marijuana, cocaine and methamphetamine into the United States and sends cash and guns back to Mexico, according to federal agents.

In a three-month span, more th "We have a huge problem here," Dennis Burke, U.S. attorney for Arizona, said Friday as he stood near a table piled high with dozens of high-powered weapons seized during the operation.

"We have now become the gun locker of the Mexican drug cartels," Burke said.

Last year, 100 agents flooded the Houston area in a similar operation that resulted in the seizure of about 600 weapons.

Agents worked the newest operation in Arizona and New Mexico from May until early August as part of the ATF's Gun Runner Impact Team. It seized about 1,300 weapons and more than 71,000 rounds of ammunition.

Although the effort was deemed a success, agents admit there is no reliable way to track the number of weapons from the U.S. being used in Mexico's ongoing drug war.

"As a result of these drug organizations and their thirst for money and power, lives are being lost to violence both on the Mexican side and on the Arizona side," ATF Deputy Director Kenneth Melson said. "ATF along with our Mexican counterparts embrace the need to cut off the supply routes of illegal weapons going from the United States into Mexico."

The dozens of arrests that agents made in the course of the operation will likely not do much to cut off those supply routes.

But, in a sign of how seriously federal officials are taking the gun-trafficking problem, Melson also said Friday that the agency received \$37.5 million to permanently operate similar teams in several cities around the country, including Sierra Vista in southeastern Arizona.

Teams of 10 ATF agents will target gun trafficking in Atlanta, Dallas, Las Vegas, Oklahoma City and Brownsville, Texas.

"This is not the end of it," Melson said.

Sierra Vista, a city of about 40,000 less than 20 miles from the Mexican border, was chosen because of its location between two border checkpoints and the Sinaloa cartel's activity there, Melson said, although the presence of cartel members hardly makes Sierra Vista unique.

[&]quot;The cartels have a presence in cities all over the U.S.," he said.

The permanent ATF gun-trafficking operations will not be the size and scope of the concerted efforts in Houston and Phoenix, but the investigative techniques will be similar.

The operation required the cooperation of Mexican authorities, who supplied <u>ATF agents</u> with information on firearms seized at crime scenes there.

Court records indicate the guns purchased in Arizona came from federally licensed firearms dealers throughout the state, including some who sell them at the Arizona State Fair.

The suspects arrested in the operation had filled out forms to purchase guns from the gun dealers. Agents used the serial numbers of weapons discovered at crime scenes in Mexico to trace the guns back to their dealers and, ultimately, the purchaser, who typically did not have prior felonies.

Two Mesa men, Alejandro Medrano, 23, and Hernan Ramos, 22, have already received federal prison sentences of nearly four years for supplying 112 high-powered weapons to members of the Sinaloa cartel.

Melson conceded that the tactic for targeting gun traffickers is reactive: It requires a weapon to have been recovered at a crime scene and definitively traced to a licensed firearms dealer before the investigators can identify the buyers.

But, he said, the seven nationwide outposts that are part of ATF's new initiative will allow agents to discern trafficking patterns and create relationships with weapons dealers that should lead to more arrests and prosecutions before the guns are used to commit crimes.

Regardless of what those investigations produce in the years to come, Burke, the federal prosecutor, said concerted operations like the one that wrapped up in Phoenix last month should send a message to someone who considers illegally purchasing a gun for a criminal.

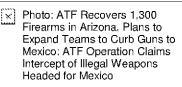
"This is a deadly, deadly business," Burke said. "They think it's like buying beer for an underage kid - but it's not."

ABC News Sept. 18, 2010

ATF Recovers 1,300 Firearms in Arizona, Plans to Expand Teams to Curb Guns to Mexico

ATF Operation Claims Intercept of Illegal Weapons Headed for Mexico

By JASON RYAN



The <u>U.S. Bureau of Alcohol. Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives</u> says a surge in federal agents in Arizona has helped the United States recover about 1,300 firearms believed headed for Mexico in the past 100 days. A majority of the guns seized in Mexican crimes were sold in the U.S. from gun stores in Texas, California and Arizona. (AP Photo)

With drug violence raging in Mexico, the U.S. <u>Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives says a surge in federal agents in Arizona has helped the United States recover about 1,300 firearms in the last 100 days, many of them believed bound for Mexico.</u>

Federal law enforcement officials say the success is prompting the ATF to roll out similar techniques in seven additional cities believed to be hotbeds for gun traffickers.

The current operation involved the deployment of a Project Gun Runner Impact Team (GRIT) to combat the deadly flow of weapons from the United States to Mexico's ongoing drug war, which has left more than 28,000 people dead since 2006.

According to U.S. officials, a majority of the guns seized in Mexican crimes are found to be sold in the United States by gun stores in Texas, California and A recent report by Mayors Against Illegal Guns that used ATF data revealed that, "from 2006 to 2009, nearly 19,000 traced crime guns were originally sold in the U.S. and recovered and traced to Mexican crimes."

<u>Significantly fewer guns are moving through New Mexico, ATF sources said, but drug traffickers and gunrunners are beginning to increase border crossings in the state as violence rages in Mexican cities such as Ciudad Juarez and as southbound screenings are bolstered in some areas.</u>

The approximately 1,300 firearms the **ATF** recovered in Arizona as part of its operation over the past three months included an array of AK-47-style weapons, 71,000 rounds of ammunition and drugs.

"We are fighting on a crucial front here today to reduce violence in our own communities, and to disrupt and dismantle the southbound supply of weapons to the eartels," U.S. Attorney for Arizona Dennis Burke said in a prepared statement today.

As part of a recent emergency supplemental funding bill for border security, the ATF will establish similar teams in seven cities considered parts of significant gun trafficking routes -- Atlanta; Dallas; Brownsville, Texas; Las Vegas; Miami; Oklahoma City; and Sierra Vista, Arizona.

The first Gunrunner Impact Team was established in Houston last year after and operated in the region for 120 days, resulting in about 430 weapons being recovered. The idea to establish that team followed an ATF finding in 2007 that more than 330 firearms from the Houston area had been smuggled into Mexico, according to ATF officials. The weapons were traced to multiple crimes including the deaths of 18 law enforcement officers and civilians in Mexico.

During 2006, ATF established Project Gunrunner as the agency noticed an increase in weapons being used in gun crimes

as Mexico's drug cartels began to fight against each other.

Mexican authorities have asked U.S. officials to increase enforcement on gun crimes in the United States and have urged the Obama administration to reinstitute the assault weapons ban.

Attorney General Eric Holder broached the idea of renewing the ban in February 2009, saying, "I think that will have a positive impact in Mexico, at a minimum." More recently, there has been less talk of reinstituting the ban, which is opposed by many.

ATF forms teams in 7 cities to stop gun smuggling

By JACQUES BILLEAUD (AP) – 15 hours ago

PHOENIX — A federal agency trying to stop guns from being smuggled from the United States into Mexico for use by drug cartels has formed teams in seven American cities to combat the problem.

The teams set up by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives are a follow-up to earlier temporary groups of investigators who worked in Houston and Arizona and seized about 2,000 guns. The permanent 10-member teams will be based in two cities in the border region — in Brownsville, Texas, and Sierra Vista, Ariz. — and away from the border where smugglers have set up trafficking routes and recruit gun buyers in Dallas, Las Vegas, Oklahoma City, Atlanta and Miami.

"We can't put all of our resources in one point, because what we learned from other agencies is that if you put all resources to go after illegal activity in one point, guess what? It goes some place else," said Kenneth Melson, ATF's deputy director.

Many guns used by criminals in the Mexican government's war against drug cartels are bought in the United States, the bureau says. Cartels recruit "straw buyers" in the United States who make purchases on their behalf and then pay people to bring the weapons across the border.

Agents on the teams will inspect records at firearms shops, investigate suspicious purchases and use traces from guns recovered in Mexico to track down straw buyers.

Melson said a team will be based in the southern Arizona city of Sierra Vista because the Sinaloa drug cartel uses the area as a transit route.

Dennis Burke, the U.S. attorney for Arizona, said his state has become the gun locker for the cartels and warned of the serious consequences for people who buy guns on behalf of cartel members.

"For a lot of these straw purchasers, they don't think it's a big deal," Burke said. "They think it's like buying beer for an underaged kid, but it's not. It's an offense that violates federal law, and it's leading to deadly consequences in Mexico."

Melson said the teams that operated in Houston for 120 days in 2009 and in Arizona and New Mexico for a similar length of time ending on Aug. 6 helped make a dent in the problem.

But how big of an impact is unknown. The agency said it's difficult to say how many guns from America are sneaked into Mexico.

ATF said Texas and Arizona are the two largest sources of guns that were seized in Mexico and had complete traces run on them. Not all seized guns in Mexico are traced.

Of the 2,000 guns seized by both temporary teams, two-thirds were in Arizona. None were seized by the temporary team that worked in New Mexico, where investigators focused on inspecting records at gun stores. The new teams were funded by the \$37 million that ATF recently received from Congress for combating gun smuggling along the southern border.

ATF Seizes More Than 1K Guns, 71K Ammunition Rounds on Border

Updated: Friday, 17 Sep 2010, 6:22 PM MDT Published: Friday, 17 Sep 2010, 1:25 PM MDT

By STEVE KRAFFT FOX 10 News

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PHOENIX - On Friday, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives showed off the results of a very successful operation in Arizona.

Between May 1 and August 6, 2010, the ATF seized 1,300 guns and 71,000 rounds of ammunition.

80 ATF agents worked in Phoenix, Tucson and Albuquerque. The goal was to disrupt firearms trafficking into Mexico for use in the drug cartels' war against the Mexican military.

Agents targeted straw purchasers, people recruited by criminals, who bought guns legally in the Phoenix area and then transferred them to smugglers, who sought to bring them into Mexico to arm drug gangs.

ATF also searched vehicles heading south and in one case, stopped a truck carrying over 9,500 rounds of ammunition. The ATF also seized drugs and money.

It branded the operation a success in an ongoing war.

Operation agents acknowledged there are many guns getting through to Mexico, but exactly how many is not known.

The people who smuggled guns into Mexico face charges in the United States.

PRNewswire Sept. 17, 2010

ATF Announces Seven New Gunrunner Groups and Phoenix Gun Runner Impact Teams' Successes

PHOENIX, Sept. 17 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Deputy Director Kenneth E. Melson of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) today announced the formation of seven new Project Gunrunner firearms trafficking groups during a news conference in which he and Dennis K. Burke, United States Attorney, District of Arizona, announced the results of ATF's Gun Runner Impact Team (GRIT) initiative, a nearly 100-day deployment of ATF resources to the Phoenix Field Division to disrupt illegal firearms trafficking by Mexican drug trafficking organizations.

As a result of the 2010 emergency supplemental appropriation for border security, ATF received \$37.5 million for Project Gunrunner, ATF's comprehensive firearms trafficking strategy to disrupt the illegal flow of firearms into Mexico. With this funding, ATF will establish and place firearms trafficking groups along traditional and newly-discovered firearms trafficking routes and hubs in Atlanta; Dallas; Brownsville, Texas; Las Vegas; Miami; Oklahoma City; and Sierra Vista, Ariz.

"Lives are being lost to violent crime every day on both sides of the U.S. and Mexico border," said Melson. "Through Project Gunrunner and its GRIT initiative, ATF is shutting down the supply routes of firearms traffickers along the border and further inland."

The GRIT initiative brought more than 80 experienced ATF personnel from around the country to Arizona and New Mexico. GRIT special agents initiated 174 firearms trafficking-related criminal investigations and seized approximately 1,300 illegally-trafficked firearms and 71,000 rounds of ammunition, along with drugs and currency. ATF's industry operations investigators conducted more than 800 federal firearms licensee compliance inspections.

"We are fighting on a crucial front here today to reduce violence in our own communities, and to disrupt and dismantle the southbound supply of weapons to the eartels," said Burke. "We will not be a gun locker for the eartels, who have made murder and mayhem their modus operandi. We will not tolerate violent criminals and others who illegally possess, purchase or sell firearms."

Burke announced that 96 defendants have been arrested, charged, convicted or sentenced since June 2010 on gun-related charges. The majority of defendants include violent felons, drug traffickers who use weapons, and those trafficking firearms to Mexico. Cases involved more than 370 guns – many of them AK-47 style rifles and other "weapons of choice" of drug cartels – and hundreds of thousands of rounds of ammunition smuggled into or destined for Mexico. Some of the guns seized in the investigation, including a .50 caliber weapon, were recovered at crime scenes in Mexico.

Recent examples of firearms prosecutions in the District of Arizona:

U.S. v. Arizmendiz et al.

In July and August, two leaders of a firearms trafficking conspiracy that supplied at least 112 firearms – mostly AK-47 style – to the Sinaloa Cartel, were sentenced. Alejandroi Medrano, 23, and Hernan Ramos, 22, both of Mesa, Ariz., were sentenced to 46 and 50 months in prison, respectively, for leading a conspiracy involving 10 defendants who straw purchased firearms from gun dealers in Phoenix and Tucson, Ariz., in order to supply them to a member of the Sinaloa Cartel known as "Rambo."

U.S. v. Gaeda et al.

On June 3, following an ATF investigation involving more than 250,000 rounds of ammunition, ATF agents arrested Emmanuel Casquez, Elias Vasquez, and Charice Gaeda for unlawfully exporting ammunition to Mexico. Agents had learned the three were purchasing vast quantities of ammunition and searched a vehicle headed for the border port at Nogales and recovered 9,500 rounds of ammunition; a search of a residence ensued and an additional 27,000 rounds of ammunition were recovered.

U.S. v. Ibarra et al.

In July, a 20-count indictment announced charging 10 straw purchasers, recruited by then 17-year-old Francisco Ibarra, to buy at least 25 firearms. ATF believes the firearms were trafficked into Mexico.

For more information on ATF and Project Gunrunner, please go to the ATF website, www.atf.gov.

Contact: Public Affairs Division

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SOURCE Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

Illegal search ruling upheld in Chillicothe weapons case

THE GAZETTE STAFF • September 18, 2010

A government appeal in a 2006 case against a Chillicothe man was turned down by the Sixth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals earlier this week.

The appeal is tied to an indictment in a case filed late that year against Daniel Tatman, then of 401 Tabernacle Road, on two counts of unlawful possession of a machine gun and one count of transporting, shipping or receiving a firearm that has had its serial number removed. During court proceedings, Tatman filed a motion to suppress evidence obtained during four searches of his home by law enforcement.

The district court in the case agreed the searches were unconstitutional and the evidence gathered from the searches was thrown out.

The U.S. government then appealed the ruling early last year -- an appeal that was denied in an opinion from the appeals court filed on Monday.

According to information in the opinion, the incident in question began as a domestic violence call to the Ross County Sheriff's Office on Feb. 4, 2006, in which Tatman's estranged wife had come to the house threatening to tell authorities that he had illegal weapons in the home if he didn't give her possession of the house in the split. She had moved out of the house a couple months earlier.

When a sheriff's deputy arrived and knocked on the door, he received no answer and returned to the wife to request permission to enter the house, which she gave. The deputy, upon returning to the house, encountered Tatman. That's where the testimony diverges.

The opinion indicates Tatman objected to the deputy's entry, while the deputy testified Tatman gave consent. Once inside, the deputy followed Tatman up to a bedroom after being told by the wife that Tatman had fully automatic weapons in the house. Three such weapons were seen on a blanket on the floor of the bedroom, and the deputy arrested Tatman initially on a domestic violence charge.

The deputy then asked the wife for written consent for a second search of the home, which was granted, and other weapons, including 11 fully automatic guns, were found.

Two days later, authorities sought a formal search warrant for the home to look for other weapons, which was granted. Additional weapons, suppressors, silencers and equipment for making silencers was found.

Eight months after that, an agent with the federal <u>Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives</u> arrested Tatman on federal charges and asked for and received Tatman's consent to search the home yet again. This time, searchers seized a box of gun parts, claiming after additional off-site testing that they constituted an illegal machine gun.

Tatman asked the district court that any items gathered during the four searches should be kept out of evidence because the searches, themselves, were unconstitutional. The court agreed, as did the appeals court.

The appeals court found that the first search was illegal because in a situation in which one tenant of a home refuses consent for a search and the other gives it, the officer cannot give special weight to one point of view or the other.

"If one occupant objects, the police cannot enter a residence, without a warrant, based on the consent of another occupant," the opinion read.

In the case of the second search, the court ruled the wife did not have the authority to sign a consent to search form since she no longer lived there and had no right to be in the home herself.

The court ruled that the third search two days later was unconstitutional because the basis for issuing the warrant was tainted by the unconstitutionality of the first two searches. In the case of the fourth search consented to by Tatman eight months later, the court ruled that the parts kit found was not considered to be an illegal weapon when initially seized. It was only after off-site further testing was done that it was considered to be illegal.

"The seizure of the gun parts ... violated Tatman's Fourth Amendment rights because they were not immediately incriminating," the opinion reads, noting Tatman's consent did not allow for gun parts to be taken off site for testing.

The appeals court, therefore, upheld the ruling that all four searches were illegal and any evidence gathered should be kept out of Tatman's court proceedings.

Sheriff reopens case involving alleged shooter

Suspect no longer had permit for dealing guns

By Eric Litke • Sheboygan Press staff • September 18, 2010

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Lancaster Newspapers (Pa.)

Sept. 18, 2010

Police describe investigation of informant's murder

By JANET KELLEY, Staff Writer

It was as close to a television cop show as it gets in Lancaster County Court Friday morning.

A color video recording, filmed from inside a city police cruiser, showed the arrest of Yaquan "Squeeze" Williams hours after Mary Johnson was found gunned down on Chester Street.

Detectives described fingerprint tests and DNA analysis for the jury, holding up the handgun that was found inside Williams' car.

Ballistics experts discussed the bullet holes in Johnson's jacket and shell casings found at the scene.

Williams, 30, Lancaster, is on trial charged with criminal homicide for the shooting death of Johnson in the early morning hours of Jan. 23, 2009.

Prosecutors contend Williams killed Johnson after learning she was helping police investigate his alleged illegal activities.

The trial, which is being held in the courtroom of Judge Dennis Reinaker, is scheduled to resume next week.

Assistant District Attorney Todd E. Brown said he expected to wrap up the prosecution's testimony on Monday.

Friday's testimony from the prosecution focused primarily on the physical evidence collected in the case.

City police Sgt. Jarrad Berkihiser said he was dispatched to the first block of Chester Street around 1:30 a.m. on Jan. 23, 2009 to find Johnson "in grave condition."

Berkihiser said he noticed one bullet wound to the 29-year-old city woman's abdomen.

"I rolled her over to her side and all I observed was that the back of her shirt was blood-soaked," Berkihiser said.

Other policemen and a paramedic testified that Johnson repeatedly identified Williams as her assailant before she died.

After securing the crime scene that morning, Berkihiser said he found Williams' car about an hour later, parked on South Ann Street.

And shortly after 3 a.m., Berkihiser said, as he watched and followed, the car started traveling up Lime Street.

When the car pulled into a Fulton Street apartment building, Berkihiser said he activated the lights, sirens and dashboard camera of the police cruiser.

The courtroom lights were dimmed.

Jurors leaned forward with interest as the four-minute, color video was played on a large screen television.

Just as the suspect's car stopped, the flashing red and blue lights of the cruiser lit up the television screen.

"Stay in the car," Berkihiser could be heard ordering, an order which the two men in the car obviously didn't obey as they got out of the vehicle.

"Get on the ground," Berkihiser commanded. "On the ground, now!"

This time, as about a dozen police officers arrived, some with guns drawn, Williams could be seen getting down on the ground, his arms spread, his face looking up.

Berkihiser, narrating the video, said Williams "got to the ground, but he kept asking me questions, 'What'd I do? What'd I do?' "

Williams, who was driving, was taken into custody as a suspect in the shooting and his passenger, Clyde Middleton, was arrested on warrants. Berkihiser said.

A second city policeman, Detective Robert Deeter, told the jury that when he searched Williams' car, he found a small, black handgun tucked underneath the driver's seat.

Holding the gun up so that the jurors could see, Deeter said the weapon was "completely empty" of bullets and "smelled as if it had been fired a few hours before."

Brown called several other policemen to the witness stand to explain how they had tried — unsuccessfully — to find fingerprints or DNA evidence on the gun, shell casings and other items.

Kristin Gerber, a firearms examiner with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, told the jury that she had been given the gun, bullets and clothing to examine.

All seven bullet casings recovered from the scene were fired from the same pistol, Gerber testified.

And, Gerber said, the two bullets recovered from Johnson's body were also fired from the same gun.

Looking at a mannequin dressed in Johnson's multicolored sweatshirt, which had been placed in the middle of the courtroom, Gerber pointed out seven bullet holes.

One of those bullets, Gerber said, was fired at close range — between 3 and 12 inches from the victim.

At the beginning of the trial, Brown told the jury he is seeking a verdict of first-degree murder.

Defense attorney Joseph C. Santaguida suggested there is reasonable doubt as to the identity of Johnson's killer.

Williams, dressed in a white shirt and dress slacks, laughed and blew kisses to supporters Friday afternoon as he was led in handcuffs from the courtroom and back to Lancaster County Prison.

Sept. 17, 2010

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Suspect no longer has gun dealer permit

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Sept. 17, 2010

Former FBI Most Wanted Charged with Illegal Firearm

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Friday, September 17, 2010 :: Staff infoZine

Kansas City, Mo - infoZine - Beth Phillips, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., woman was charged in federal court today with illegally possessing a firearm after leading police officers on a short pursuit through a parking lot.

Shauntay Henderson, 27, of Kansas City, was charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm in a criminal complaint filed in the U.S. District Court in Kansas City, Mo. Henderson remains in federal custody pending a detention hearing at 10 a.m. on Sept. 21, 2010.

According to an affidavit filed in support of today's criminal complaint, law enforcement officers were conducting surveillance at a Kansas City, Mo., residence on Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2010, due to recent drug activity and gang violence. During the surveillance, officers saw Henderson arrive at the house. Moments later, she left the residence and got into the front passenger seat of the black Kia Sportage that she had arrived in. An unidentified female drove the vehicle to the Wal-Mart at 11601 E. 40 Hwy., Kansas City. Officers watched the two women enter the store; when they returned to the vehicle, officers activated their red lights and siren in an attempt to stop the vehicle.

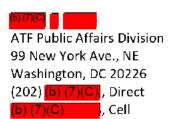
The driver of the vehicle didn't stop, the affidavit says, and instead fled through the Wal-Mart parking lot and into the Lowe's parking lot. Officers pursued the vehicle. When the vehicle stopped behind the Lowe's store, Henderson got out and started running. The officers pursued Henderson on foot, the affidavit says, and saw her remove a handgun from her right front pants pocket and drop it on the ground. An officer retrieved the firearm as other officers continued the pursuit to the back yard of a nearby residence, where Henderson was detained.

The firearm was identified as a Taurus .40-caliber semi-automatic handgun. Under federal law, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. Henderson has prior felony convictions for voluntary manslaughter and armed criminal action, for which she is currently on parole.

Phillips cautioned that the charge contained in this complaint is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Stefan Hughes. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the <u>Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.</u>

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Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 8:53 PM **To:** Newell, William D.; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Talking points

was looking into this – I'm frankly not sure. I will have a question for you in a moment, however, as I knock through some requests from the Mexicans on arms trafficking, so – stay tuned!

Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director for North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: Newell, William D. [mailto(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 8:51 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** Talking points

Just following up now that I'm back in sunny Phoenix whether or not you received all that you asked for (or close to it) from ATF HQ in prep for Wednesday meeting.

Bill Newell

Special Agent in Charge

ATF Phoenix Field Division (AZ and NM)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

To: Kevin O"Reilly(b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Any good news pts?

Date: Wednesday, September 01, 2010 7:31:31 PM

Good for u have a great trip and relax some. I was going to meet of for coffee tomorrow and see if u could make it but maybe next time.

Have fun.

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Sent: Wed Sep 01 19:29:51 2010 Subject: Re: Any good news pts?

I'm going to try - I'm in New Orleans with family this week.

Back in office on Tuesday.

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: (b) (7)(C) < (b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Wed Sep 01 19:26:33 2010 Subject: Re: Any good news pts?

I can get you some stats. They r out there this week doing interviews to get the good and bad. We also have stats now.

How about lunch one day. We r getting a powerpoint for the high level meeting on oct 5th also. R u going for that meeting. I hope to go.

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To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Wed Sep 01 19:00:13 2010 Subject: Re: Any good news pts?

I will find some. When do u need them?

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Any good news pts for a meeting w/ Mx Embassy coming out of the Phoenix GRIT? Kevin M O'Reilly Director
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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2011 11:56:04 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: UNIVISION - Interview with Special Agent (b) (7)(C) , from the Bureau of

Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)

Passed along to us by out Press Office colleagues:

UNIVISION NEWS TRANSCRIPT

Program: Al Punto

Content: Interview with Special Agent (b) (7)(C) from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,

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Date: March 13, 2011

Key:

JR: Jorge Ramos

AD: Agent (b) (7)(C)

[***NOTE: If you would like the interview in Spanish, please contact Carolina Valencia at cvalencia@univision.net.]

JR:

AGENT (b) (7)(C) THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TALKING TO US.

AD:

Yes sir.

JR:

CAN YOU EXPLAIN TO US EXACTLY WHAT WAS THE "FAST AND FURIOUS" OPERATION, SPONSORED BY ATF?

AD:

Yes sir, essentially – the intent behind it was to, or as our national strategy became, to not only target what we call a straw purchaser, which is an underling who purchase firearms on behalf of someone else, but rather than just target that individual in an investigation, but to go after the groups or the criminal organizations that were essentially funding or employing these individuals to complete these firearms purchases on their behalf and ultimately from those purchases to the time they get back to the criminal organization, you know the firearms trafficking and the methods involved in between.

JR:

SO ACTUALLY, HOW MANY ARMS ARE WE TALKING ABOUT? HOW MANY GUNS AND

RIFLES WERE ALLOWED TO GO FROM THE UNITED STATES TO MEXICO?

AD:

Sir, I can tell you that in this case alone, finally after ATF admitted to the policy, that we were in fact doing it, if you accept their numbers, which I think are a little low, but if you accept their numbers I believe it's 1794 firearms in this investigation.

JR:

DID YOU COMPLAIN TO YOUR SUPERVISOR ABOUT WHAT WAS GOING ON?

AD:

Yes sir, regularly.

JR:

WHAT DID HE SAY?

AD:

You know, essentially their method –it was going to be their method, not mine, regardless of my objections

JR:

CAN YOU EXPLAIN TO US HOW CAN YOU TRACE THE ARMS GOING FROM THE UNITED STATES TO MEXICO? HOW DO YOU DETECT THEM? ARE THEY MARKED? IS IT POSSIBLE TO FOLLOW THEM BY SATELLITE? HOW DO YOU DO IT?

AD:

Sir, that's just it, you don't. Once we watch the transfer and those guns head in an opposite direction, there is no way to find them, to recover them, to identify them until they turn up in a crime, either in Mexico or somewhere in the United States. Once they turn up in a crime and the authorities, whichever authority it [may] be, initiates a trace on them, then we find out where that gun was

trafficked to.

JR:

WHO WAS INFORMED ABOUT THIS? WAS JANET NAPOLITANO INFORMED ABOUT THIS? WAS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL INFORMED ABOUT THIS?

AD:

I can't speak to them specifically sir, I have no knowledge of that. I can tell you that on our investigation we had ATF agents, ICE agents as well as assistant US attorneys. So those are

three different federal bureaus or departments.

JR:

WHY WAS THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT NOT INFORMED ABOUT THIS? WHAT'S THE PHILOSOPHY BEHIND THE STRATEGY OF NOT INFORMING OUR NEIGHBOR?

AD:

Sir, I can't answer to that either. Those decisions weren't mine and I don't know why they were made.

JR:

SO WHO GAVE THE ORDER OF PUTTING IN PLACE "OPERATION FAST AND FURIOUS"? WHO'S THE MAIN PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OPERATION?

AD:

I think there would be a number of individuals, where the genesis for the idea or this operation originally came from, again I can't speak to, it was already up and running at the time I arrived in Phoenix. I can however tell you that my supervisors, and supervisors in D.C., all the way up to the director knew about the case, were informed on the case regularly, knew the case agent by name, knew the name of the case so where the authorization came from I can't tell you but I can tell you that they all knew about it and allowed it to continue.

JR:

NOW, CAN THE DEATHS OF BORDER AGENT BRIAN TERRY LAST DECEMBER AND THE DEATH OF ICE AGENT JAIME ZAPATA, COULD THEY BE ATTRIBUTED TO THE GUNS ALLOWED TO "WALK" FROM THE UNITED STATES TO MEXICO?

AD:

Well, I can tell you this, I know that two of the weapons recovered from the scene of Agent Terry's homicide were from this investigation. I can't speak specifically about the Zapata investigation, that's been worked out of another office. I don't have access to that information. Now those two firearms that were recovered from Agent Terry's scene I believe the ATF, or headquarters, has released a statement that they're not ballistically traced to Agent Terry's murder specifically, however, I don't believe they're ballistically excluded either. I don't believe the ballistic results are in from the laboratory on that.

JR:

AGENT (b) (7)(C) WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS? WHY DID YOU TALK TO CBS NEWS, WHY ARE YOU TALKING TO US? WHAT'S YOUR MOTIVATION?

AD:

Well sir, my motivation is simply because this isn't what we signed up for, this isn't what we do as law enforcement officers, as an agency, this is not what we do as ATF. My mission for coming out here was to stop this kind of activity. To prevent as much firearms trafficking as I can and then as I learned that my agency, as I believed, is perhaps contributing to that, at the very least condoning it, allowing it to occur right underneath our noses, if not contributing to it – I disagree with professionally, morally, ethically and I felt that I had an obligation of all these things to try and do something about it.

JR:

DO YOU THINK THAT OPERATION "FAST AND FURIOUS" IS RESPONSIBLE IN PART FOR THE DEATHS OF DOZENS OF HUNDREDS OF MEXICANS?

AD:

Well sir, let me tell you this. I don't have all the data from where every firearm was recovered. We knew that these weapons were going to end up in crimes; they were going to a known criminal organization; that was the whole theory behind the case. So you have 1,800 guns that you let go, imagine if you only had one bullet for each gun, or you get one death for each gun, that is 1,800 people.

JR:

YOURS, AGENT (b) (7)(C) ARE VERY STRONG WORDS. ARE YOU CONCERNED, ARE YOU WORRIED THAT YOU MIGHT LOSE YOUR JOB BECAUSE OF WHAT YOU'VE BEEN SAYING PUBLICLY?

AD:

Oh yes sir, very much so. And I think that a lot of people out there are missing this, initially my agency denied that this activity was occurring at all as did the department of justice, denied it to Senator Grassley. It wasn't until I had to appear on CBS and now they've admitted that it's occurring and by their own numbers, like I said they admitted to 1,794 firearms I believe, now the department of justice has requested the inspector general's office to look into this investigation or to look into this policy.

My director has issued a statement which has said he is going to convene a panel to review the policy, my assistant director who claimed responsibility for it, said that the policy in itself might need to be tweaked, I believe is the word that he used. I don't think anyone else, or anyone has grasped the fact that none of these people have said this activity is going to stop. No one has said we've suspended the policy pending these reviews, no one has ordered the cessation of these activities. And the numbers that you have are for one case alone out of one group in one field office. So with all the field offices in states along the southwest border the numbers that you have from one case, how many other cases is this occurring in? How many other field divisions is this occurring in? How many other weapons

is this responsible for? That have gone to known drug cartels or known drug trafficking organizations. And even after these events sir, no one has stopped this policy. My director is going to convene a panel or people to review this policy, so the same people that thought this policy was a good idea is going to convene a panel to critic it for them and meanwhile it continues.

JR:

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AD:

Thank you. Yes sir.

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Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2011 3:11:20 PM **To:** O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Regan, Sean P.

Subject:

Obama on "gunwalking": Serious mistake may have been made

CBS News Investigates

March 23, 2011 9:59 AM

Posted by Sharyl Attkisson

Last night, a reporter from Univision asked President Obama about the subject of a CBS News investigation: allegations that <u>ATF</u> allowed traffickers to send weapons to Mexican drug cartels in an operation called "Fast and Furious." Insiders call the strategy letting guns "walk."

in response, the president said neither he nor Attorney General Eric Holder approved the operation.

"There may be a situation here which a serious mistake was made and if that's the case then we'll find out and well hold somebody accountable," he added.

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Mexico To Seek Extradition of US Agents Involved in ATF Operation

LAP20110317016006 Mexico City Excelsior Online in Spanish 17 Mar 11

[Report by Aurora Vega: "PGR Investigating US Agents Responsible for Fast and Furious"]

The Office of the Attorney General of the Republic (PGR) plans to go after US officials who may have violated the country's sovereignty in Operation Fast and Furious.

Jorge Alberto Lara, deputy attorney for Juridical and International Affairs of the PGR, explained that the federal agency is conducting a thorough investigation with US authorities to determine if officials from that country invaded Mexican territory and violated national sovereignty.

"First and foremost, we must corroborate that what was said in the media with an agent (from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, BATF, by its initials in English) is formally confirmed so that we can proceed accordingly. If any violation or crime was committed against Mexico or Mexicans, we will have to proceed and request the appearance of those who may have been responsible in this case, by means of an extradition process," Jorge Lara said.

In an interview with Excelsior, the official said that if the investigation finds that US officials are responsible, that country will be asked for the necessary extraditions to punish those who committed the offense.

"We see that our northern neighbor is very strict in the application of its laws and so are we. We have instruments, such as extradition, that come into play, [so] when a person commits some crime against our country and is not found in our jurisdiction, we can order [extradition] to prosecute him or her on Mexican soil. In this hypothetical case, we can consider this instrument," Lara Rivera affirmed.

The juridical deputy attorney said that the map, published by this daily yesterday, is an investigation of US authorities who obtained information about the arms seizure in Mexican territory based on the information exchange collaboration system that is available to both nations via the system known as E Trace.

The federal official said that the firearms, arsenals, or stockpiling centers have been seized by Mexico's federal and Armed Forces and not by US agents, specifying that Mexican authorities send all data on confiscated weapons to the E-Trace program to find out their provenance.

Shared information

"Public servants who are involved in the fight against organized crime have to base our actions on the information provided us by other authorities, as is the case with the United States.

"We have been very scrupulous in ensuring all exchanges of information are secure and under the premise of not permitting under any circumstance the possibility of the violation of our sovereignty or any overstepping of powers by any foreign authority in Mexican territory," the deputy prosecutor for Juridical and International Affairs of the PGR affirmed.

According to Jorge Lara, all arms seized in Mexican territory are reported to E-Trace in the BATF system, since the federal Public Prosecutor's Office runs a search in this system when the seizures carried out by other Mexican authorities are made available.

And the official added: "in the cases from recent months, we included arms seizures in the E-Trace system, which is an electronic tracking system. The PGR seizes a firearm and the Mexican Public Prosecutor's Office, by means of its computer, enters into said system which is centralizing the information in the BATF, and finds the exact location where the seizures took place."

The deputy prosecutor said that the steps to follow to establish whether or not US agents entered Mexican territory as part of Operation Fast and Furious will

take months or perhaps years, since after the official and tacit acknowledgement of US authorities, various inquiries will have to be carried out.

The federal official emphasized that covert operations can in no case be carried out in Mexico by any foreign country, unless it is with the full collaboration and authorization of the authorities of our country, in which case, the official said, "any action would have to be led by a fede ral public prosecutor's office."

Jorge Lara Rivera refused to discuss the entry of US planes into Mexican territory because of the investigation into the attack on two BATF agents.

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Subject: Any read-out from Meslcon's Mexico Travels?

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From: Newell, William D.

Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2011 3:04 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

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You free in a few minutes?

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To: Newell, William D.

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We've just spoken - thanks

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From: (b) (7)(C)

To: "Kevin M. O"Reilly(b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: ATF Online - Publications - General - Strategic Plan - Fiscal Years 2010-2016

Date: Monday, March 14, 2011 4:45:12 PM

Have not heard much but he is still going. We r taking our lumps.

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Sent: Mon Mar 14 16:44:03 2011

Subject: RE: ATF Online - Publications - General - Strategic Plan - Fiscal Years 2010-2016

How are people reacting the Proceso article?

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(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 14, 2011 4:40 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: Re: ATF Online - Publications - General - Strategic Plan - Fiscal Years 2010-2016

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Mon Mar 14 16:37:04 2011

Subject: RE: ATF Online - Publications - General - Strategic Plan - Fiscal Years 2010-2016

... and the "cartel" strategy?

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To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: Re: ATF Online - Publications - General - Strategic Plan - Fiscal Years 2010-2016

It does not exist in Spanish. Sorry.

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Sent: Mon Mar 14 14:58:08 2011

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From:

"Kevin M. O"Reilly(b) (7)(C To:

Subject:

Friday, March 04, 2011 5:42:40 PM Date:

Thanks. Any particular items you want from the briefing on monday.

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To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Mar 04 17:35:29 2011

Subject: RE:

as far as I know, they did not raise the current media kerfuffle coming out of Arizona.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 5:30 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject:

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O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (7)(C) Friday, April 29, 2011 12:19:32 PM (b) (7)(C) Sent:

To: Subject: AG brief



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 29, 2011 12:31:46 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. Subject: RE: AG brief

Hope it goes well.. Thanks for update. Have a good trip..

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Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 1:58:31 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: CNN Breaking News

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From: Gatjanis, Gregory T. **To**: Kendall, Sarah M.; O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Rasmussen, Nicholas J.; Restrepo, Daniel A.

Sent: Mon Jun 20 13:34:37 2011 Subject: Fw: CNN Breaking News

Greg Gatjanis The White House National Security Staff (b) (7)(C)

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To: textbreakingnews@ema3lsv06.turner.com <textbreakingnews@ema3lsv06.turner.com>

Sent: Mon Jun 20 13:29:05 2011 Subject: CNN Breaking News

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 2:19:59 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: RE: CNN Breaking News

Just heard that about 20 minutes ago. He is reportedly going to be fired so maybe he is heading it off.

When is your last day?

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Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 4:03:01 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: RE:

I hope it gets better...

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 4:00 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE:

Yeah - the pressure will continue to build, but no explosions yet ...

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From: (b) (7)(C) [mailto:(b) (7)(C)

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Subject: RE:

Are we doing OK still?

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Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 3:31 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:

Yes - 130 to 3 pm

I think it went pretty well

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From: (b) (7)(C) [mailto(b) (7)(C)

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 2:54 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:

What did he take away from the meeting?

Kevin Michael O'Reilly

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Director for North American Affairs

National Security Staff

The White House

(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C) [mailto:(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 04, 2011 6:07 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject:

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 3:58:43 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: RE:

Are we doing OK still?

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ATF National Coordinator

Southwest Border/Project Gunrunner

(202) 648-(b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(C) cell

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 3:31 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) Subject: RE:

Yes - 130 to 3 pm

I think it went pretty well

Kevin Michael O'Reilly

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(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C) [mailto:(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 3:06 PM

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Subject: RE:

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From: Sent:

(b) (7)(C) Wednesday, April 06, 2011 1:45:34 PM O'Reilly, Kevin M.

To:

Subject:

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Hope all is good.

(b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 9:24:04 AM
To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Kendall, Sarah M.

Subject: RE: ATF Brief

Kevin, I think Dan will be important on this and it would be important to have him in the brief.

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 9:19 AM **To:** (b) (7)(C) Kendall, Sarah M.

Subject: Re: ATF Brief

Sarah

Defer to you.

Just keep Dan and Greg G in the loop.

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: (b) (7)(C) . <(b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Kendall, Sarah M.

Sent: Fri Mar 04 09:15:45 2011

Subject: ATF Brief

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, July 12, 2011 6:40:45 AM

To: 'OReillyKM(b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: TPM: To Combat Gun Trafficking, ATF Ask Dealers To Report Sales Of

Semi-Automatic Rifles

Every once in awhile we get a crumb. How r u doing?

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Mon Jul 11 20:37:46 2011

Subject: TPM: To Combat Gun Trafficking, ATF Ask Dealers To Report Sales Of Semi-Automatic

Rifles

A little ray of sunshine ...

http://tpmmuckraker.talkingpointsmemo.com/2011/07/to_combat_gun_trafficking atf ask dealers to repor.php

To Combat Gun Trafficking, ATF Ask Dealers To Report Sales Of Semi-Automatic Rifles

Ryan J. Reilly | July 11, 2011, 3:27PM

Amid ongoing probes of the ATF Fast and Furious scandal, the Obama administration announced Monday that they are asking gun dealers in four border states to report when they sell two or more semi-automatic weapons to an individual in a period of five business days.

The rule, enforced by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), is meant to slow the trafficking of weapons across the Southern border and into the hands of Mexican drug cartels.

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"The international expansion and increased violence of transnational criminal networks pose a significant threat to the United States," Deputy Attorney General James Cole said in a statement.

"This new reporting measure -- tailored to focus only on multiple sales of these types of rifles to the same person within a five-day period -- will improve the ability of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to detect and disrupt the illegal weapons trafficking networks responsible for diverting firearms from lawful commerce to criminals and criminal organizations," Cole said.

Cole said the "targeted information requests" would occur in Arizona, California, New Mexico, and Texas. The administration sought comments on the rule in the Federal Register in April.

"Federal, state and foreign law enforcement agencies have determined that certain types of semi-automatic rifles - greater than .22 caliber and with the ability to accept a detachable magazine - are highly sought after by dangerous drug trafficking organizations and frequently recovered at violent crime scenes near the Southwest Border," Cole said.

From:

(b) (7)(C)
Monday, April 04, 2011 6:06:45 PM
'Kevin_M._O'Reilly(b) (7)(C) Sent: To:

Subject:

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 2:04:53 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: FW: Reaction in Mexico to Fast and Furious

What is up with this?

(b) (7)(C)

ATF National Coordinator

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 1:39 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) Cc: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Reaction in Mexico to Fast and Furious

Just FYI – I have been monitoring Mexican media reaction to the Fast and Furious case.

Mexican Deputies To Visit US Seeking Explanation of ATF Operation

LAP20110309016003 Mexico City <u>REFORMA.com</u> in Spanish 09 Mar 11

[Report by Armando Estrop and Claudia Salazar: "Deputies Plan Trip to Washington"]

The seven political parties represented in the Chamber of Deputies agreed yesterday to assemble a delegation that would fly to Washington to seek explanations about the operations conducted by US authorities that let thousands of weapons enter Mexican soil. In a Point of Agreement of urgent resolution,

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they decided as well that the high-level commission would deliver a dossier of the 65,000 weapons seized thus far in Mexico. "(That) they meet in Washington with the House of Representatives of the US Congress as well as representatives of the White House and the Department of State to raise awareness of and demand the supervision of firearms being introduced into Mexico.

"It has been suggested that at the meeting the commission deliver a dossier of the 65,000 US weapons seized, including the gun used to kill Jaime Zapata and pieces of weapons destroyed symbolically by the Secretariat of Defense," states the Point of Agreement proposed by Green Party lawmaker Pablo Escudero. In his argument, Escudero stated that in recent weeks the climate has deteriorated after it was learned that the US Government conducted an operation dubbed Fast and Furious, which allowed weapons to be smuggled illegally into Mexico."The US Government has not only been neglectful and uncooperative in this matter but, even worse, also executed an undercover arms smuggling tactic without informing the Mexican authorities.

Escudero stated that it is obvious that the program launched by the US Government that sought to trace the illegal weapons trade was a failure, and the two countries should therefore meet urgently to discuss the issue. The lawmaker added that we now know that this program was a failure and that ATF [Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives] agents have pointed to a possible correlation between arms trafficking and the growing problem of violence and deaths in our country.

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Program Analyst

Firearms Operations Division

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Bureau of ATF

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From:

(b) (7)(C) Wednesday, March 09, 2011 9:28:45 AM O'Reilly, Kevin M. Sent:

To:

Subject:

Any feedback from yesterday's meeting?

(b) (7)(C)

ATF National Coordinator

Southwest Border/Project Gunrunner

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From: (b) (7)(C)

To: "Kevin M. O"Reilly(b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Re

Date: Monday, April 11, 2011 6:04:03 PM

I am good. Will email tomorrow.

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Mon Apr 11 17:54:07 2011

Subject: RE: Re:

Let's do it perhaps Thursday?

Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C) [mailto(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 5:31 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** Re: Re:

Yep.

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Mon Apr 11 17:29:56 2011

Subject: RE: Re:

You downtown later this week?

Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

From: (b) (7)(C) [mailto(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 5:30 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: Re:

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Sent: Mon Apr 11 17:28:34 2011

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To: "Kevin M. O"Reilly(b) (7)(C)

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Date: Monday, April 11, 2011 5:30:36 PM

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, February 22, 2011 9:58:49 AM

To: 'Swartz, Bruce'

CC: (b) (7)(C) Newell, William D.

Subject: RE: DC

Yes.

Kevin Michael O'Reilly

Director for North American Affairs

National Security Staff

The White House

(b) (6)

From: Swartz, Bruce (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, February 22, 2011 9:59 AM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Cc: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: DC

Is DC still on?

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (6)

To: Swartz, Bruce

Cc: (b) (7)(C) 'Newell, William D.'

(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tue Feb 22 09:57:09 2011

Subject: DC

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Importance: High

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M(b) (6)

Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 6:36:47 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: DRAFT TPs: Public Integrity/LATimes/CBS

Attachments: TP Public Integrity 110302 djw mw tc grr.docx

FYI

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House



From: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

To: Brennan, John O.; Avery, Heidi E.; Restrepo, Daniel A.; Cogswell, Patricia; Gatjanis, Gregory

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Sent: Fri Mar 04 06:32:40 2011

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Kevin O'

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Sent: Fri Mar 04 06:23:14 2011

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 2:00:29 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** RE: updated seizures

Have fun..

(b) (7)(C)

ATF National Coordinator

Southwest Border/Project Gunrunner

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(b) (7)(C) cell

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (6)

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Kevin Michael O'Reilly

Director for North American Affairs

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(b) (6)

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By law, gun dealers are required to report the sale of more than one handgun to the same person within a five-day span. In passing the law, Congress reasoned that most crimes are committed with handguns. But the cartels have shown a preference for military-style weapons, preferring assault rifles such as AK-47s or Employee 1 - 521 58

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So in December, ATF proposed an emergency rule to have gun dealers in southwest border states immediately report anyone buying multiple semi-automatic rifles in a five-day span.

However, the White House's Office of Management and Budget in February nixed ATF's effort to expedite the rule. A Justice Department spokesperson in March said "we expect this is something that will ultimately be approved," but there's no shortage of doubters. Days after the OMB ruling, the House overwhelmingly voted to try to kill the proposed rule, which is opposed by the National Rifle Association.

"The NRA is well aware that ATF would, understandably, like to take strong steps to address drug-related violence in Mexico," wrote Chris Cox, the NRA's legislative director. "But lawlessness in Mexico...is no excuse for U.S. law enforcement agencies to spend scarce resources on programs that exceed their legal powers."

On March 9, in a letter to the Justice Department criticizing the ATF for letting guns into Mexico, 14 House Republicans on the Judiciary Committee voiced their strong opposition to the proposed rule.

"We are also troubled that ATF engaged in activities that may have facilitated the transfer of guns to violent drug cartels while simultaneously attempting to restrict lawful firearms sales by border-area firearms dealers," said the letter signed by committee chairman Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, and 13 others.

Former ATF executive Cavanaugh counters that "for the life of me, I cannot understand what sense [it] makes" to try to block the proposed rule, given that it mirrors the handgun law, and given the magnitude of the problem.

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Bouchard said cartels are also exploiting another long-debated "loophole" in the law, which allows people to sell firearms from their "personal collection" at gun shows and in private sales without any documentation at all. So ATF cannot rely on the straw buyer law to go after drug-cartel operatives who might buy weapons at a gun show. And without any documentation required for the sale, the ATF loses the trace on the gun, Bouchard said.

Paul Helmke, president of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, says the problems ATF is having enacting new rules or laws displays the political muscle of the NRA, a lobbying group that spends millions in elections to defeat candidates it considers hostile to guns rights.

"If the NRA says jump, they jump," said Helmke, a Republican and former mayor of Fort Wayne, Ind. Helmke says fellow Republicans on Capitol Hill "tell me privately it doesn't matter what the argument is, I can't step off the reservation."

Helmke said the gun lobby's power over the ATF is so strong that ever since Congress required confirmation of the ATF director in 2006, no director has been confirmed. In early January, the White House for a second time formally nominated Andrew Traver, the head of ATF's Chicago office, to run the agency. The NRA has said it "strongly opposes" Traver, who it says has been "deeply aligned with gun control advocates and anti-gun activities." The NRA has urged President Obama to withdraw "this ill-advised nomination."

Siege mentality

Some ATF supporters and former agency officials contend the agency is a virtual punching bag, caught between legal impediments, gun politics and pressure to make bigger cases. The Fast and Furious case, in which ATF let guns go to Mexico in an effort to make a high-level case against cartel operatives, illustrates the agency's plight, according to this argument.

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The same agents said they were discouraged by supervisors who "favored faster investigations" from taking cases to a multi-agency task force targeting the drug cartels. One agent complained he was "taking a lot of heat" for going to the task force. The Justice IG ultimately recommended that ATF "focus on more complex conspiracy cases to dismantle firearms trafficking rings."

Before these findings were even published, ATF officials changed their own strategy to target suspects higher up in the cartel. Fast and Furious, they say, represented part of that change in strategy.

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"We knew that just addressing the lowest level person was not making a difference," said Mark Chait, the ATF assistant director who made the decision. "We knew if we could attack the organization we could stop the flow."

Taking the time to develop cases against other conspirators in gun trafficking poses risks, says current and former ATF officials, because during that extra time guns can find their way in the hands of the cartels in Mexico.

Right or wrong, the strategy used in Fast and Furious – letting guns "walk" in hopes of making a bigger case—has now created a firestorm of controversy. Some front-line ATF agents objected because they feared they were facilitating the movement of weapons to drug lords. And last December, two weapons recovered near the scene of a murdered Customs and Border Protection agent

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were traced to the Fast and Furious operation. Sen. Charles Grassley, who has spearheaded an investigation of Fast and Furious, has called for an independent probe, criticizing Attorney General Eric Holder's request that the acting IG look into the operation. The ATF itself is asking an outside panel to also review its tactics in the war on Mexican gun trafficking.

The NRA is not happy either, and has called for hearings on the ATF's tactics. LaPierre, for one, is not convinced that many American guns are being smuggled into Mexico, saying that he suspects many come from Russia, China and the black market.

"Why the heck would these cartels want to waste their time sending people over the border and getting these guns through a straw buyer?" LaPierre asked.

The inspector general of the Justice Department reported last year that from fiscal 2007 to 2009, Mexico asked ATF to trace 62,606 firearms. In 2009, an ATF official testified before a House committee that more than 90 percent of the traceable guns at Mexican crime scenes came originally from the United States.

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AK 47 style rifles like this one being displayed by a **Phoenix-based ATF agent** have become the favorites of Mexican drug cartels.

For almost a month now, the **Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives** has endured sharp criticism for a decision to risk letting hundreds of assault weapons slip into the hands of brutal Mexican drug cartels as part of a controversial sting operation last year.

But problems highlighted by the so-called Fast and Furious investigation, which enabled at least 195 guns to cross into Mexico, point to what U.S. authorities say is a broader enforcement crisis. Their efforts to stop drug cartels from smuggling thousands of firearms into Mexico each year are handcuffed, they say, by a debilitating lack of resources and an absence of statutes to outlaw gun trafficking.

Without a targeted federal gun trafficking law, prosecutors are forced to rely on other statutes that agents and prosecutors say are difficult to enforce and riddled with loopholes.

Chief among them: a frequently used law against lying on the ATF's Form 4473 at a gun shop — especially in claiming the buyer is purchasing for himself, rather than someone else. But court decisions have made this "straw buyer" charge difficult to prove and judges often

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And despite launching Project Gunrunner in 2006 to stop gun smuggling into Mexico with money earmarked by Congress, the ATF has only 224 agents assigned to the special effort, according to a Justice Department report. The ATF says those agents are currently managing 4,600 open investigations, along with monitoring illegal sales at 8,500 licensed gun shops along the Southwest border.

Michael Bouchard, a former ATF assistant director who oversaw the bureau's field operations until 2007, summed up the problem succinctly. The laws, he says, are "very weak," the resources "very few."

Politics and practice

Mexico's President Felipe Calderón, who's declared war on the drug cartels, criticized U.S. gun laws in an address to Congress last year, blaming the escalation in violence on the expiration of the American domestic assault-weapons ban in 2004. The number of drug-related homicides in Mexico has quintupled in the last four years, from 2,826 killings in 2007 to a record 15,273 last year, according to Calderón 's office.

President Barack Obama said during the 2008 campaign that he would try to restore the assault-weapons ban, but has been virtually silent on the issue since his inauguration.

And the ATF has been criticized for not doing a better job with the resources and laws at its disposal. Wayne LaPierre, executive vice president of the National Rifle Association, said in an interview that there are plenty of laws to stop gun trafficking. "They just need to be enforced," he said.

Even the Justice Department sharply criticized its own bureau last November for focusing on lowly straw buyers rather than on higher-level traffickers. But in the same report, the department's inspector general acknowledged that the bureau was handcuffed by ineffective laws. "Cases brought under these statutes," said the IG's review, "are difficult to prove and do not carry stringent penalties – particularly for straw purchasers of guns."

Efforts to strengthen gun laws in recent years have been stymied. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand and Rep. Carolyn McCarthy, Democrats from New York, sponsored a bill in 2009 to outlaw gun trafficking, but the legislation never got out of committee. The measure would have made it illegal to turn over a firearm to someone if the person had reason to suspect the gun would be used to commit a crime. The maximum penalty was set at 20 years in prison. McCarthy's office says she plans to reintroduce the bill soon, but the chances of such a measure emerging from the Republican-controlled House appear slim.

Meanwhile, the problems arising from that lack of a broader federal firearms trafficking statute are many, say current and former ATF officials.

The case of an alleged straw buyer in the Fast and Furious investigation, drawn from court records, illustrates one of the challenges facing investigators.

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On Dec. 11, 2009, 23-year-old Uriel Patino walked into a shopping-center gun shop in Glendale, Ariz., and allegedly bought 20 AK-47 assault rifles. A month later, he allegedly bought 10 more on a single day from the same shop – Lone Wolf Trading – and two weeks after that bought another 15.

By February 2010, authorities say Patino had become a regular customer, hitting the store every few days. On Feb. 15 alone, court documents say he bought 40 AK-47s.

But ATF is powerless to immediately stop these sales, said the bureau's former official, Bouchard, because there's nothing illegal about buying a large number of assault weapons.

"It doesn't look right, but under the law, there's nothing wrong with it," he said.

Bouchard said ATF doesn't have enough agents to put every straw buyer under surveillance, so getting a conviction often means getting a confession. In Fast and Furious, the investigative trail eventually allowed agents able to get wiretaps on Patino and use them to try to prosecute the person orchestrating the scheme. Patino was ultimately charged with 33 others. But the probe dragged on for more than a year.

A straw buyer must sign a form at the gun shop declaring that they are buying the guns for themselves. Lying on the form is a crime. But in order to prove the lie, a prosecutor often must prove what the straw buyer was thinking when he or she bought the gun. Unless that straw buyer immediately delivers the weapon to someone prohibited from purchasing a firearm – like a convicted felon—all the buyer has to claim is that the gun was bought for personal use.

A decision by the federal 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, however, sets the standard even higher. Under that court's ruling, a buyer may actually lie on the form, as long as he or she is not aware the purchase is for someone who could not buy the gun on their own. As a result, even prosecuting the lowliest worker bee in a gun-running scheme is a challenge, agents say. All the straw buyers have to say is they didn't know the guns were for the cartel.

What's more, even when prosecutors are able to convict a straw buyer, the sentences average only 12 months, according to a Justice Department review from 2004 to 2009. It's not unusual for straw buyers to be sentenced merely to home detention.

"The sentences received by straw purchasers fail to reflect the seriousness of the crime or the critical role played by these defendants in the trafficking and illegal export of weapons," wrote five U.S. attorneys from California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas last December as they lobbied for tougher sentencing guidelines.

The U.S. Sentencing Commission held a hearing on changing the guidelines in mid-March, but a decision is not expected for months.

The myriad of obstacles were vividly displayed in what ATF officials thought was an airtight case against George Iknadosian, the owner of the X Caliber gun shop in Phoenix, and straw buyers who were allegedly working for a pair of brothers, Cesar and Hugo Gamez. Prosecutors alleged that when Iknadosian was arrested on May 6, 2008, he made clear that he knew the guns were headed to Mexico; Iknadosian's lawyer said the conversation was mischaracterized.

The Arizona U.S. Attorney wouldn't bring charges against the gun dealer. The state Attorney General took the case to court, but ATF officials were shocked when the state judge dismissed the charges after eight days of trial.

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The cartels' learning curve

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto(b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 02, 2011 9:19 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: updated seizures

What # are you at?

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From: (b) (7)(C) <(b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

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Sent: Wed Mar 02 09:14:26 2011 **Subject:** RE: updated seizures

When you have time I would like to discuss Guatemala.

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto:(b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 02, 2011 9:11 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: updated seizures

Thanks

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From: (b) (7)(C) < (b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

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Cc: (b) (7)(C) <(b) (7)(C) >: (b) (7)(C) <(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wed Mar 02 09:09:13 2011 Subject: FW: updated seizures

Kevin, here are the stats for FY 09 and 10. Hope this helps...

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To: (b) (7)(C)

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National Security Staff

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From: Szuplat, Terence P.

Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 2:04 PM **To:** O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Restrepo, Daniel A.

Subject: RE: updated seizures

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 2:01 PM **To:** Szuplat, Terence P.; Restrepo, Daniel A.

Subject: FW: updated seizures

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Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 2:00 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** updated seizures





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From:

(b) (7)(C) Tuesday, March 01, 2011 3:11:14 PM Sent:

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. Subject: RE: updated seizures

Now you sounds like Gene Gray.

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto:(b) (6) Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 3:05 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: updated seizures

I'll be here after 5!

Kevin Michael O'Reilly

Director for North American Affairs

National Security Staff

The White House

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From: (b) (7)(C) [mailto:(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 3:00 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: RE: updated seizures

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Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 2:59:58 PM

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Sent Newelland 20120624 30 18, 2010 11:30:07 PM To: Newell, William D. Subject: Fw: Guns & Mexico ... working it ... Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House (b) (6) ---- Original Message ----From: Pope, Amy (b) (6)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Wed Aug 18 22:54:05 2010 Subject: RE: Guns & Mexico

yes

----Original Message----

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto (b) (6) Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2010 9:39 AM

To: (b)(7)(C)Pope, Amy; Swartz, Bruce;

'leeea<mark>(b)(6)</mark> 'SnyderSL<mark>(b)(6)</mark>

Cc: Kendall, Sarah M. Subject: Guns & Mexico

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

From: Newell, William D. Sent. Newell pt1 20120624-33 t 19, 2010 12:02:03 AM 213 To: 'Kevin_M._0'Reill(b) (6) Subject: Re: Guns & Mexico Thank you, it's a point of great frustration to my guys because they truly do want to make an impact, as do I. Thanks again Bill Newell Special Agent in Charge ATF Phoenix Field Division (AZ and NM) Cell: (b) (7)(C) * * * NCTICE: This electronic transmission is confidential and intended only for the person(s) to whom it is addressed. If you have received this transmission in error, please notify the sender by return e-mail and destroy this message in its entirety (including all attachments). ---- Original Message ----From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. 📵 To: Newell, William D. Sent: Wed Aug 18 23:30:07 2010 Subject: Fw: Guns & Mexico ... working it ... Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House ---- Original Message -----From: Pope, Amy (b) (6) To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. Sent: Wed Aug 18 22:54:05 2010 Subject: RE: Guns & Mexico yes ----Original Message----From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto(b)(6) Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2010 9:39 AM Pope, Amy; Swartz, Bruce; $T_0: (b)(7)(C)$ 'leeea(b)(6) ; 'SnyderSI<mark>(b)(6)</mark> Cc: Kendall, Sarah M. Subject: Guns & Mexico

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, September 01, 2010 10:09 PM

To: Newell, William D.

Subject: GRIT

Great - thanks.

We want John Brennan well-prepared to talk GRIT with the Mexicans next Wednesday.

Take care,

Kevin O'

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: Newell, William D. (b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Wed Sep 01 20:47:34 2010 **Subject**: Re: Any good news pts?

Yes, we have some great stats and investigative stories to tout. I'll send you all that tomorrow, after a HIDTA meeting with Tucson. He's touring several of the SWB HIDTAs I believe and stops in Tucson tomorrow. FYI - we had a GRIT press conference all set up for Aug 26th but then was told that the DAG wanted to come out "within the next couple of weeks" so I'm not sure when that will happen. Problem is the GRIT technically ended Aug 6 so the longer we wait...

Bill Newell

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (6)

To: (b) (7)(C) Newell, William D.

Sent: Wed Sep 01 18:43:11 2010 Subject: Any good news pts?

Any good news pts for a meeting w/ Mx Embassy coming out of the Phoenix GRIT?

Kevin M O'Reilly

Director

North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 10:10 PM

To: Newell, William D.

Subject: (b) (5)

Thanks Bill

We tried to make sure that nothing in this paper – which we've done at Mx request – put us crosswise with ongoing efforts – Valdés reaches out to us here wearing his "coordinator" hat as much as his CISEN hat.

Tough job down there, coordinator.

I'm talking to touch again soon.

Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director for North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: Newell, William D. [mailto (b) (7)(C) Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 9:59 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: (b) (5)



(b) (5) We had

a bilateral meeting in Phoenix, a follow-up to the April 2009 Cuernavaca firearms conference, in which the greatest achievement was the eye-opening experiences for the Mexicans when we arranged for them to see a gun show first-hand, go to a busy gun dealer, go to a busy shooting range on a Saturday morning, etc. All things we are willing to make happen again without any hesitation. It goes a long way of making them understand why moments after they enter a firearm into eTrace we don't have someone in handcuffs! Understanding our law and "legal" firearms commerce by witnessing it first-hand gives the Mexicans a much better understanding of how we address the illegal aspects of firearms trafficking and can work together in doing so. (b) (5)

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

To: Newell, William D.; (b) (7)(C) Sent: Mon May 17 21:35:57 2010

Subject: (b) (5)

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Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director for North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: Newell, William D. [mailto(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 8:55 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** Re: Talking points

10-4, or a good man so whatever you need just ask. Take care

Bill Newell

Special Agent in Charge

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

To: Newell, William D.; (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Mon May 17 20:53:03 2010
Subject: RE: Talking points

was looking into this – I'm frankly not sure. I will have a question for you in a moment, however, as I knock through some requests from the Mexicans on arms trafficking, so – stay tuned!

Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director for North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: Newell, William D. [mailto(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 8:51 PM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M. **Subject:** Talking points

Just following up now that I'm back in sunny Phoenix whether or not you received all that you asked for (or close to it) from ATF HQ in prep for Wednesday meeting.

Bill Newell

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 10:01:56 AM

To: Maldonado-Barton, Frances E.; Kendall, Sarah M.; O'Reilly, Kevin M.;

Fabina, Lauren C.

Subject: RE: Gunrunner Briefing (meeting)

We are good for the meeting and I will get info to you shortly.

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From: Maldonado-Barton, Frances E. [mailto(b) (6)

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Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 10:00 AM

To: Kendall, Sarah M. (b) (7)(C) .; O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Fabina, Lauren C.

Subject: Gunrunner Briefing (meeting)

We're looking at 1-2pm on Monday; a save the date request has been sent to your calendars... need waves information for your team by 12pm today... thanks!

Frances Maldonado-Barton

Office: (b) (6)

From: Kendall, Sarah M.

Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 9:47 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) .'; O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Fabina, Lauren C.; Maldonado-

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Barton, Frances E. Cc: Kendall, Sarah M. Subject: RE: meeting

Thanks, Patty would like to do this as soon as possible. Over to schedulers to work out participation for both SAPs as desired.

Our thanks, [10] (7)(0)

Sarah

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Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 9:44 AM **To:** O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Kendall, Sarah M.

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Date: Friday, March 04, 2011 9:01:38 AM

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Sent: Fri Mar 04 08:53:39 2011

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To: "Kevin M. O"Reilly (b) (6)

Subject: Re: DRAFT TPs: Public Integrity/LATimes/CBS

Date: Friday, March 04, 2011 6:59:25 AM

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Mar 04 06:53:46 2011

Subject: Re: DRAFT TPs: Public Integrity/LATimes/CBS

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Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: (b) (7)(C) <(b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Fri Mar 04 06:49:08 2011

Subject: Re: DRAFT TPs: Public Integrity/LATimes/CBS

Thanks. Did not see these.

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. To: (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Fri Mar 04 06:36:47 2011

Subject: Fw: DRAFT TPs: Public Integrity/LATimes/CBS

FYI

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

To: Brennan, John O.; Avery, Heidi E.; Restrepo, Daniel A.; Cogswell, Patricia; Gatjanis, Gregory T.

Sent: Fri Mar 04 06:32:40 2011

Subject: Fw: DRAFT TPs: Public Integrity/LATimes/CBS

These are the pts ATF has been using in response to these questions.

Regards,

Kevin O'

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

(b) (6)

From: Hoover, William J. <(b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Cc: Chait, Mark R. <(b) (7)(C) >; Newell, William D. <(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Mar 04 06:23:14 2011

Subject: FW: DRAFT TPs: Public Integrity/LATimes/CBS

Kevin,

The attached talking points cover the topics which have been points of contention the past several weeks. Please let me know if you need any further. We are happy to assist in any way.

Billy

Employee 1 - 938 166

William J. Hoover
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To: "Kevin M. O"Reilly(b) (6) "
Subject: Re: Quite the Press Release and Letter
Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2011 9:52:15 AM

Ah I see have a good trip.

From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wed Mar 30 09:32:44 2011

Subject: Re: Quite the Press Release and Letter

I'm in Mexico - a few hours earlier out here.

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: (b) (7)(C) <(b) (7)(C) >

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Wed Mar 30 06:55:37 2011

Subject: Re: Quite the Press Release and Letter

It just does not stop.

Why r u up at 230 in the am?

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. <(b) (6)

To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wed Mar 30 02:17:23 2011

Subject: Quite the Press Release and Letter

U.S. Sen. Grassley: Concerned that ATF's risky strategy of letting guns walk may have been used beyond fast and furious 3/29/2011

For Immediate Release Monday, March 28, 2011

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Here is a copy of the text of today's letter to ATF Director Kenneth Melson.

March 28, 2011

Via Electronic Transmission

Kenneth E. Melson Acting Director Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives 99 New York Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20226

Dear Acting Director Melson:

On March 4, 2011, I wrote you regarding questions surrounding the February 15 murder of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Agent Jaime Zapata in Mexico. I have yet to receive a reply.

In my last letter, I referenced the March 1 DOJ press release regarding the Osorio brothers and their next-door neighbor Kelvin Morrison. They were arrested on charges related to trafficking firearms to a Mexican drug cartel and indicted on March 23. According to the release, all three defendants had been suspects in an ATF undercover operation in early November 2010. In that operation, the Osorio brothers and Morrison provided 40 firearms to an ATF informant. The press release indicates, "The meeting [between the informant and the suspected traffickers] was arranged related to an investigation of Los Zetas," a Mexican drug trafficking cartel.[1]

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Sent: Monday, March 07, 2011 10:32:02 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: ATF

N.B.

Kevin Michael O'Reilly Director for North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 07, 2011 10:34:21 AM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: RE: ATF

Thanks, that helps top tailor the meeting.

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ATF National Coordinator Southwest Border/Project Gunrunner

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto(b) (6) Sent: Monday, March 07, 2011 10:32 AM

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Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 10:20:20 AM

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Subject: RE:

Thanks,

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ATF National Coordinator

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto(b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 10:04 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re:

I think so

Kevin M O'Reilly Director North American Affairs National Security Staff The White House

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From: (b) (7)(C)

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To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Wed Mar 09 10:03:16 2011

Subject: RE:

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ATF National Coordinator

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From: O'Reilly, Kevin M. [mailto(b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 10:01 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re:

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(b) (6)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.

Sent: Wed Mar 09 09:59:03 2011

Subject: RE:

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Kevin O'

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From: (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Wed Mar 09 09:28:45 2011

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ATF National Coordinator

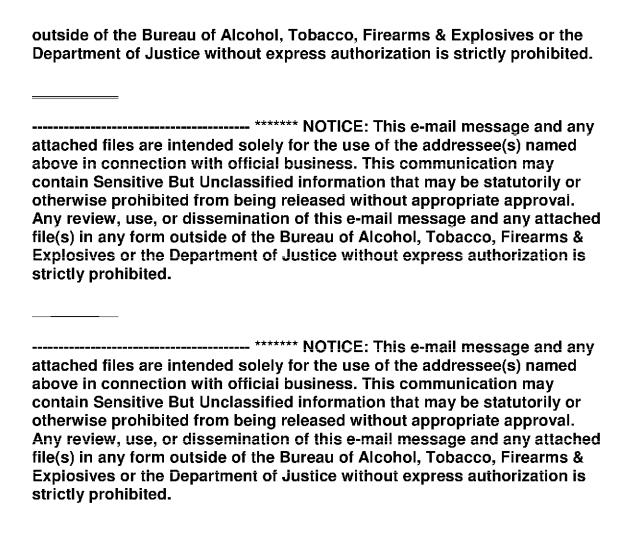
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To: O'Reilly, Kevin M.; Kendall, Sarah M.

Subject: ATF Brief

Guys, I am looking into from our side and would like to suggest a brief from our Director or Deputy Director to discuss ATF's efforts along the border and to brief about the most recent developments being put out in the media. I think it would benefit everyone. I have not spoken to the Director or Deputy about this so I am a bit out of my lane but will try to get across this a.m. Could we make it happen quickly if so? Do you want it and feel it would benefit them?



ATF National Coordinator

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Center for Public Integrity/L.A. Times/CBS News (3/2/2011)

Cartel Focused Firearms Trafficking Strategy

- In September 2010, ATF deployed the Project Gunrunner Cartel Focused Strategy, which reflects ATF's increased national emphasis on firearms trafficking enforcement related to the Southwest Border and the importance of identifying and prioritizing trafficking investigations in which a nexus to Mexican Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTOs) and cartels may be established.
- The revised approach places greater emphasis on investigations that target specific cartels and the persons responsible for organizing and directing firearms trafficking operations in the United States. This approach requires conducting our investigations in a more creative and comprehensive manner by fully incorporating our agency's unique regulatory, investigative, and analytical capabilities and resources.
- The addition of investigative tools, such as the proposed reporting requirement for certain types of rifles, would greatly increase the availability of key information on firearms trafficking organizations that are responsible for the trafficking to Mexico. The AR and AK style rifles are the preferred "tools of the trade" for the Mexican cartels.
- In addition to fully utilizing ATF's resources, this strategy relies on coordination with other law enforcements agencies, such as the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) through greater use of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) program and the El Paso Intelligence Center (EPIC).
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- The only people that the proposed reporting requirement will hamstring are the drug cartel members and the people who provide them with the firearms use to terrorize and murder the people on both sides of our Southwest border.
- Similar reporting requirements for handguns have been in place for decades and have not put any additional burden on law abiding citizens or caused any undue hardship, in time or finances, on the Federal firearms Licensee (FFL).
- If this measure is not enacted, the murderous drug cartels benefit and will continue business as the same when acquiring firearms from the U.S. sources. More innocent lives in Mexico and the United States will be lost, because ATF wasn't allowed to identify gun traffickers before their tools of the trade were used in violent crime.
- ATF is undertaking this effort in order to increase our ability to detect and disrupt the
 firearms trafficking networks responsible for diverting firearms from lawful commerce
 into the hands of criminal gangs that threaten citizens on both sides of the border.
 Through DOJ's Southwest Border Initiative, the Administration is working to prevent
 transnational criminal organizations (TCOs) along the Southwest border and in Mexico
 from obtaining firearms and to combat firearms-related violence affecting communities
 on both sides of the border.
- This is just one more tool for us to use to fight violent crime. The primary purpose of requiring FFLs to report multiple long gun sales in the identified Border States is to identify those firearms traffickers and to stop the criminal activity and deadly violence plaguing SW Border States and Mexico.
- The FFLs will be required to submit a short form that will take a few minutes to fill out. The reporting requirement for handguns has not prevented law abiding citizens from purchasing as many handguns as they desire, and has in no way affected the bottom line of the FFLs or any member of the firearms industry.
- This is not a firearms registration. It is simply another tool for ATF to have at its disposal for investigating firearms trafficking crimes. There is no federal gun registry.
- This proposal mirrors the reporting requirements for the multiple sales of handguns. The information provided is reviewed to gather actionable intelligence on firearms traffickers

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before the firearms they provide to the drug cartels and other violent criminals are recovered in crimes. If the information is not connected to any criminal acts within two years, the information is purged.

- A common misconception is that criminals are not going into FFLs and purchasing firearms. NICS reporting and ATF intelligence show that they are.
- Straw purchaser need to know that every time buy a gun and hand it off to a criminal and its used in a violent crime, they have blood on their hands too.
- We have cases where straw purchasers have told ATF investigators that they have made
 multiple purchases of these types of firearms. Additionally, through the analysis of
 intelligence gleaned from firearms trace requests, ATF has been able to identify
 additional instances of crime guns stemming from multiple sales.
- The intelligence that ATF will be able to glean from these reports will generate leads that ATF can follow to identify, disrupt, and dismantle the firearms trafficking organizations that supply firearms to drug trafficking organizations and other criminals in Mexico and the United States.
- At any time, a law abiding citizen can walk into an federal firearms licensee, or licensed gun dealer, and purchase one or more firearms, including semiautomatic versions of the AK-47 or AR-15, without any special requirement from the federal government. The legal purchase and possession of a large number of firearms is not illegal. In a firearms trafficking case, we must prove that the purchasers' intentionally falsified the firearms transfer record (ATF Form 4473) or acted as straw purchaser. The 4473 asks "Are you the actual transferee/buyer of the firearms (s) listed on this form?"

DL 3 Public Comments

- ATF received more than 12,600 public comments on the reporting requirement for the multiple sales of certain rifles as of midnight February 15 when the public comment period ended. More than 8,900 of those comments were in support of the proposal; less than 4,000 were opposed.
- Those against the Demand Letter say "it's a waste of time," "it's a burden on the FFL," and "it's unlawful or illegal." Those who are in support of it say "it's about time," "it's a tool that will help ATF detect illegal trafficking along the southwest border and in our own cities," and "stopping firearms trafficking to Mexico should be a priority."
- Anytime you talk about firearms in the Unites States, it acts like a lightning rod for controversy. You have people on both sides of the issue who feel very strongly. It's the job of ATF to tackle the issues of firearms-related crime and firearms trafficking every day.

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• ATF must do everything we can in accordance with the Gun Control Act to stop illegal firearms trafficking and keep firearms out of the hands of criminals who look to cause harm to innocent people in the U.S. and abroad.

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- The states of Texas, Arizona, California, and New Mexico, respectively, are the top four source states of firearms to Mexico. Additionally, they are the four states that share a land border with Mexico.
- ATF will review the type of intelligence gathered and the number of criminal cases perfected as a result of the new measure. This information will be used to determine if the program was successful and should be extended, or discontinued.
- We have intelligence to show that these types of firearms are the "tools of the trade" for the Cartels in Mexico. According to ATF trace data, investigative experience, and Mexican law enforcement officials, a large number of certain types of semiautomatic rifles with detachable magazines, such as AR and AK variants, are being used in violent crimes in Mexico.

Senator Grassley Letters

- ATF has briefed staffers from Senator Grassley's office about allegations. However this is an ongoing criminal investigation. ATF is certain all of his questions will be answered and he will be satisfied as this case is prosecuted in U.S. District Court.
- ATF is committed to investigating and dismantling firearms trafficking organizations and will continue to pursue those cases vigorously with all available investigative resources.
- Since its 2006 inception, ATF's *Project Gunrunner* investigations have seized in excess of 10,000 firearms and 1.1 million rounds of ammunition destined for Mexico. Today, there are over 4,600 open *Project Gunrunner* investigations throughout the United States looking into the firearm traffickers that facilitate violence in Mexico.

Lack of Resources

- ATF has roughly 5,000 employees and about half are operational. Could we use more resources? Absolutely. The more agents and investigators that we can put on the street, the greater the effect we can have on violent crime. The more resources that we can provide to our people, the better we can serve the public.
- It can be argued that ATF's unofficial motto is the maxim, "We do more with less". In the time that I have been with ATF, the men and women that I work with have proved that to me time and time again. However, there comes a point when even the best and brightest need additional resources to shine. Every other major federal law enforcement agency has enjoyed times of significant growth. ATF currently has the same number of special agents that our predecessors had during prohibition.

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DHS Agents's Deaths

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- The death of CBP Agent Brian Terry and ICE Agent Jaime Zapata are tragic losses.
- ATF does not knowingly allow firearms to cross the border into Mexico. ATF must follow leads until there is reason to believe that a crime has been committed. The mere purchase and possession of a large number of firearms is not illegal.
- The ATF orders cite that there are instances where agents may observe the illegal transfer of a firearm to identify criminal violations and potential suspects in furtherance of an investigation. In some instances it just makes sense to go after the "top guy" in a criminal network who is trafficking hundreds of guns instead of the straw purchaser who is trafficking a few.
- The 2nd Amendment of the Constitution gives law-abiding citizens the right to possess firearms. Firearms are a commodity; just like a television, or microwave oven, or an automobile. The men and women of ATF have sworn an oath to uphold the Constitution; therefore it is our duty to protect the rights of our fellow citizens. In protecting those rights, ATF must be able to articulate that a crime is being committed before seizing property. The mere purchase or possession of a large number of firearms is not a crime, nor should it be. However, the diversion of firearms from lawful commerce and into the hands of gang members, drug dealers, and other criminals is a crime that demands ATF's attention; and in order for ATF to properly address this issue, we need additional resources and tools such as the Demand Letter.
- ATF who have sworn an oath to uphold the Constitution and protect the public from violent crime. By following the law, ATF accomplishes its mission to protect the public while upholding its oath to the Constitution.
- Can more be done to stem the flow of firearms into Mexico? Yes. However, we must take care not to violate the rights of law abiding American citizens.

CBS News / Center for Public Integrity Reports

The piece which aired on CBS Evening News on Thursday, March 3, 2011, was a negative piece aimed principally at ATF management. It largely focused on firearms trafficking, ATF management decisions, the death of CBP Agent Brian Terry, a brief interview with Senator Charles Grassley, and the interview of an active duty ATF Agent. The Agent claims he was ordered to sit by and watch guns "walk" into Mexico. This is an assertion that ATF vehemently denies. Dodson stated; "I'm boots on the ground in Phoenix, telling you we've been doing it every day since I've been here."

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 That story can be found here: http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2011/03/03/eveningnews/main20039031.shtml?tag=stack

- The Center for Public Integrity piece was a far more in-depth and balanced report that included statements from ATF Management.
- Mark Chait, ATF's assistant director in charge of field operations, told the Center that....
 years of futile efforts to interdict guns from small-time straw buyers [yielded] little hope
 of dismantling major drug trafficking organizations in Mexico. The agency's earlier focus
 on straw buyers was criticized last fall in a review by the Justice Department's inspector
 general of ATF's border effort, known as Project Gunrunner.
- The story also links to a statement by acting ATF Director Kenneth E. Melson, saying that the agency "will ask a multi-disciplinary panel of law enforcement professionals to review the bureau's current firearms trafficking strategies employed by field division managers and special agents." The statement said the review "will enable ATF to maximize its effectiveness when undertaking complex firearms trafficking investigations and prosecutions. It will support the goals of ATF to stem the illegal flow of firearms to Mexico and combat firearms trafficking in the United States
- That story can be found here: http://www.publicintegrity.org/articles/entry/2976/

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Cleared by:

FO/AD: M Chait

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Phoenix Gun Runner Impact Teams (GRIT) Performance Report

GRIT Performance for Reporting Period July 19 – Ji	ilu 23, 2010	
	Reporting Period	Since Inception
Number of Investigative Leads at the Start of GRIT (May 1, 2010) Number of New Investigative Leads Total Leads	(b) (7)(A	(b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A)
Number of Loads Investigated	(b) (7)((b) (7)(A)
Number of Leads Investigated Number of New Actual Criminal Cases Opened	(b) (7)(<i>/</i>	
<u> </u>	0	(b) (7)(A
Number of Existing Investigations Supported by GRIT Number of Defendants Recommended for Prosecution	O (b) (7)(A	(b) (7)(A
Number of Referrals to U.S. LE Agencies	0	0
Number of Liaison Activities with the Gov. of Mexico	(b) (7)(A	(b) (7)(A)
Number of Firearms/Other Evidence Seized/Recovered by ATF or Other LE Agencies Acting on ATF Information	(b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A)	(b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A) (b) (7)(A)
Number of FFL Inspections Initiated	(b) (7)(A	
Number of FFL Inspections Completed FFL Adverse Actions Recommended:	(b) (7)(A	y (*)(*)
Number of Warning Letters/Warning Conferences	(b) (7)(A	(b) (7)(A
Number of Revocations (Recommended by Division and Concurred by HQ)	0	0
Number of Licenses Surrendered in Lieu of Revocation	0	0
Number of Criminal Enforcement Referrals Made by IOIs to ATF LE	(b) (7)(A	(b) (7)(A)

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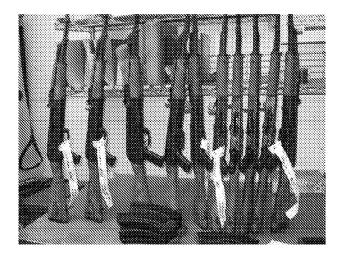
(This is a TNW Firearms, Model M2HB, .50 caliber rifle. See for yourself at www.tnwfirearms.com)

Remember this seizure (see below) in Sonora, Mexico from last year? It was related to the Beltran Levya DTO. This is the picture that the so-called gun experts said is "proof that the Mexican Army is supplying the DTOs with firearms because this is definitely a military gun"....wrong, this gun is also a TNW and was purchased in Tucson, Arizona (part of another OCDETF case). I had two agents from Tucson travel to Hermosillo, Mexico and physically inspect this firearm and the other .50 caliber firearm seized – a Barrett, Model 82A from Tennessee.





Each drum magazine holds about 75-100 rounds of ammo – it depends on the caliber, and each retails for about \$200. Mostly sold at gun shows and they'll sell out within an hour after the doors open and mostly to "suspicious looking" individuals.....

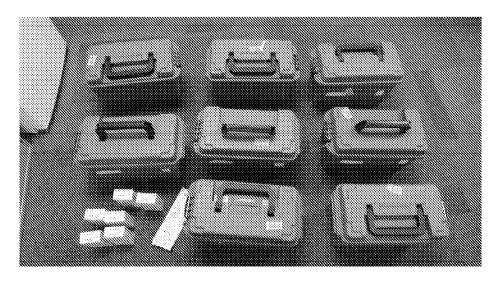


10 AK-47 semi-auto rifles bought by two females headed south to Mexico through Nogales. We had Arizona DPS stop them in order not to compromise the bigger case and when asked about the guns their first response was "guns, what guns?". Since they didn't claim ownership we took an abandonment until the "real owners" come to claim them, which of course we aren't expecting anytime soon.





"Bag o guns" – they had just purchased these second-hand at the Phoenix gun show. Were headed to Mexico.



4,000 rounds of 7.62x39mm and 500 rounds of .38 Super – bound for Mexico now in our custody.

From: (b) (7)(C) Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 3:03:58 PM ATF Employee 1 Page 1

To: Chait, Mark R. cc: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: FF

See below. PD

(b) (7)(C)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division 202-648-(b) (7)(C) Cell (b) (7)(C)

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---- Original Message -----From: (b) (7)(C) To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thu Mar 17 15:01:33 2011

Subject: RE: FF

PD

(b) (7)(C)

Senior Special Agent Firearms Operations Division 202,648 (b) (7)(C) (office) (b) (7)(C) (cell)

----Original Message----From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 1:18 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) Subject: FW: FF

Can you handle this one??? Thanks

(b) (7)(C)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129 202.648.(b) (7)(C) Cell(b) (7)(C)

----Original Message----From: Chait, Mark R.

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 12:47 PM

To: McMahon, William G.; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FF

Can you look at an roi on July 8 did we or PD take the guns.

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Subject: Discuss the Fast and Furious Briefing

Location: Director's Conference Room

Start: 3/21/2011 2:00 PM

End: 3/21/2011 3:00 PM

Show Time As: Busy

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Required Attendees: Hoover, William J.; McMahon, William G. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Needles, James R. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Director's Conference Room Resources:

This is a pre-meet to discuss how we will present the briefing on Fast and Furious to Matt Axelrod Tuesday morning.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 7:05:44 PM

To: Firearms Operations Division (FOD)

Subject: Recall: Firearms Recovered and Traced in Mexico CYs $07\,-\,10$

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would like to recall the message, "Firearms Recovered and Traced in Mexico CYs 07 - 10".

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 1:49 PM

To: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) CC: Needles, James R.

Subject: RE: Does anyone recall this

I do not have any background or knowledge of this.

(b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129 202.648 Cell (MICHOLD) (MICHOLD) (MICHOLD)

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From: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 1:47 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Needles, James R.
Subject: Does anyone recall this

I know this dates back almost 6 years but as I recall this case involved our letting guns go into Mexico or our providing info to Mexico so the guns could be recovered there – I may be mixing things up due to the passage of time and my advanced age. This is the only reference to the case I can find.

• Douglas, Arizona November 2005: In just the past few weeks ATF has been involved in the arrest of seven individuals suspected of trafficking firearms from Arizona into Mexico, where they were sold for twice their market value here in the United States. ATF has documented that at least 84 firearms, including AK-47 rifles were purchased and smuggled into Mexico. The investigation began when Mexican law enforcement officials arrested two Mexican citizens for firearms trafficking in the State of Senora, which is contiguous with Douglas, Arizona. This case is demonstrative of the cooperative effort between ATF and Mexican law enforcement authorities.

Senior Special Agent Firearms Operations Division 202.648 office) (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)(cell)

Subject: Accepted: Discuss the Fast and Furious Briefing Location: Director's Conference Room

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Start: 3/21/2011 2:00 P End: 3/21/2011 3:00 PM 3/21/2011 2:00 PM

Show Time As: Busy

Recurrence: (none)

Required Attendees: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Resources: Director's Conference Room

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 1:46 PM To:(b) (7)(C), (b) (6), Needles, James R.

Subject: Does anyone recall this

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b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Senior Special Agent
Firearms Operations Division
202.648 (office)
(b) (6) cell)

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 1:29 PM **To:** HELP DESK - OSTCS: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: RE: Remedy Ticket #: 868843, Hardware Request

Hello.

Several of us are working on a sensitive project in the room cited on the request. We need a docking station and a monitor. Also at the completion of the working group's mission (approx. 1 to 2 weeks) I will be moving into this office permanently and will therefore need to maintain the requested hardware. My current workstation is 65-159 and the new local is in 2 North.

b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Senior Special Agent
Firearms Operations Division
202.648 office)
(b) (7)(C), (b) (6) (cell)

From: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) n Behalf Of HELP DESK - OSTCS

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 12:02 PM

To:(b) (7)(C), (b) (6) Cc:(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: Remedy Ticket #: 868843, Hardware Request

Hello (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Thank you for your recent request. A Remedy ticket has been created and forwarded to the appropriate support center in response to your request:

Remedy Ticket: 868843

Someone will contact you as soon as possible. If you need to respond via email, please do so to HELPDESK-OSTCS and not to the individual sender of this email as your response may be delayed.

OST Helpdesk

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 11:06 AM

To: Voice Help Desk

Cc: Central Support; HELP DESK - OSTCS

Subject: confirm 1834.1 Request

Good morning,

VHD: Can you please assist in Phone Activation for (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) is currently assigned to temporary space 2.N-582 EXT 8341.

(this location will be assigned to or a 3 to 4 week period)

HELPDESK OSTCS: Special Agen (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) will need a Docking Station for his laptop and large computer monitor.

(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

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O: (202) 648 (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

D: (202) 648 (b) (6)

F: (202) 648-9607

Subject: Document Production in re: Congressionals and FOIA

Location: DCR 5S-105

Start: 2/26/2013 6:09 PM

End: 2/26/2013 6:09 PM

Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Required Attendees: Serres, Greg; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

b) (7)(C), (b)(6)(b)(7)(C), (b)(6)(b)(7)(C), (b)(6)(b)(6)

Optional Attendees: Hoover, William J.; Chait, Mark R.; Stinnett, Melanie S.

Resources: DCR 5S-105

When: Monday, April 25, 2011 3:30 PM-4:30 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: DCR 5S-105

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Sent: Monday, April 25, 2011 10:47:49 AM To: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) ; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: DOJ atty's

Could one or both come to 5n-503 to meet with them

(b) (6), (b)(7)(C)

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Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 3:34:44 PM

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To: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6); Newell, William D.; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

CC: Stinnett, Melanie S.; Hoover, William J.; Melson, Kenneth E.; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: FW: Fast and Furious review

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The DOJ Attornies we are expecting will be arriving tomorrow morning at 9:30 am. I will meet them at the vistors entrance and take them to Physical Security to get their PIV cards activated for the building. It is my understanding that they are expected by the department to be living with us for the near future so thanks books for the guick arrainging of the space for them. I will give them a quick tour of the building and then will ask Bill, and (b) to meet with them at 10:00 where we can find out how it is they would like to proceed. We can take them to the field ops conference room following that meeting to show them what we have collected so far.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting Chief of Staff

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

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----Original Message----

From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) [mailto:Matthew.Axelrod@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 3:00 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

(CIV); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (USADC); cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fast and Furious review

As we discussed, the three DOJ folks who will be overseeing the Fast and Furious doc review and production (cc'ed here) will come out to ATF tomorrow morning at 9:30 to get started. Can you let them know the address, the best way to get there, where to go, etc.? Thanks so much.

Matt

Document Production in re: Congressionals and FOIA Subject:

Location: DCR 5S-105 ATF Employee 1 Page 53

4/25/2011 3:30 PM Start: 4/25/2011 4:30 PM

Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Serres, Greq; (b) (6), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (6) Required Attendees:

Marren, Mary H.; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Optional Attendees: Hoover, William J.; Chait, Mark R.; Stinnett, Melanie S.

When: Monday, April 25, 2011 3:30 PM-4:30 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: DCR 5S-105

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Subject: Document Production in re: Congressionals and FOIA Location: DCR 5S-105ATF Employee 1 Page 54

4/25/2011 3:30 PM Start: End: 4/25/2011 4:30 PM

Show Time As: Busy

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Required Attendees: Serres, Greq; (b) (6), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (6), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Warren, Mary H.; (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Optional Attendees: Hoover, William J.; Chait, Mark R.; Stinnett, Melanie S.

Resources: DCR 5S-105

When: Monday, April 25, 2011 3:30 PM-4:30 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

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Subject: Fast & Furious Meeting

Location: 2.S-100

Start: 4/13/2011 2:00 PM **End:** 4/13/2011 3:00 PM **Show Time As:** Busy

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Ford, Larry W.; Serres, Greg

Optional Attendees: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (c) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: McMahon, William G.

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2011 7:14 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) Newell, William D.

Subject: Thursday the 21st

Guys,

We may have to brief up a couple of DOJ Attorneys tomorrow on "the case." This is in response to a new Congressional Letter. Can you guys get with me tomorrow morning and let me know your availability. Nothing has been finalized, I just wanted to check on your availability.

Thanks and I will see/talk with you tomorrow.

Bill

From: (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, April 01, 2011 5:06 PM

To: (b) (6) (b) (6)

Subject: Emailing: 2011%200401.EEC%20to%20Issa.DOJ%20subpoena.pdf **Attachments:** 2011%200401.EEC%20to%20Issa.DOJ%20subpoena.pdf

This is the context document for my last e-mail. We need to provide the department with fact based issues that arise from responding to the congressional inquiries.

For example, public production of our strategy documents would expose sources and methods.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 28, 2011 2:00 PM

 T_0 : (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Indicted Purchasers

Attachments: Book2.xlsx

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Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129 202.648 DIGGEO Cell (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: Newell, William D.

Sent: Thursday, April 28, 2011 9:18 AM

To:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: Indicted Purchasers

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From: Needles, James R.

To: Newell, William D.; McMahon, William G.

Sent: Wed Apr 27 18:56:05 2011 **Subject**: Indicted Purchasers

Updated as of 04-26-11.

Information regarding additional suspects identified for indictment is currently being updated. When completed the individuals will be added to the list.

Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 5:54 PM

 $T_0(b)(7)(C), (b)(6)$

Subject:

b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

In reference to the (b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C) A correction was confirmed by (b) (7)(C) today. (b) (7)(A) Good catch. The correction is

being made and an updated spreadsheet is going to be sent in the next day or so.

Thanks,

(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

SPECIAL AGENT (D) (7)(C), (b) (6)
PROJECT OFFICER
OFFICE OF FIELD OPERATIONS
FIREARMS OPERATIONS DIVISION
CELL(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)
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Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 5:47 PM

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Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 4:45 PM

 T_0 : (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: FW: Updated Spreadsheet

Attachments: Firearm purchases - per date w recover.xlsx

Spreadsheet as requested.

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From: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 7:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) Needles, James R.; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Cc: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: Updated Spreadsheet

Special Agent (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2011 1:36:23 PM

To: Hurley, Emory (USAAZ)

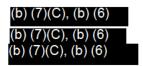
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Subject: Fast/Furious 6(e) list

AUSA Hurley -

Good afternoon. This serves to request that three DOJ attorneys be added to your 6(e) list for the ATF "Fast and Furious" case. They are listed below and in the addressee list above. Please advise me when this is achieved. You may forward their letters to my attention at the ATF HQ address below. If you determine that such action is not necessary for these DOJ attorneys, please advise.



Thank you in advance.

(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 8:04:26 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Fast and Furious review

10-4 Good Luck

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 9:49 PM

To: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: Re: Fast and Furious review

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Newell, William D.; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: Stinnett, Melanie S.; Hoover, William J.; Melson, Kenneth E.; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thu Apr 21 15:34:44 2011

Subject: FW: Fast and Furious review

LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE

The DOJ Attornies we are expecting will be arriving tomorrow morning at 9:30 am. I will meet them at the vistors entrance and take them to Physical Security to get their PIV cards activated for the building. It is my understanding that they are expected by the department to be living with us for the near future so thanks for the quick arrainging of the space for them. I will give them a quick tour of the building and then will ask (b)(6), Bill, and (b)(6), to meet with them at 10:00 where we can find out how it is they would like to proceed. We can take them to the field ops conference room following that meeting to show them what we have collected so far.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Acting Chief of Staff

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Subject: Fast and Furious review

From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) [mailto:Matthew.Axelrod@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 3:00 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (CIV); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(USADC); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(CRM)

(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

As we discussed, the three DOJ folks who will be overseeing the Fast and Furious doc review and production (cc'ed here) will come out to ATF tomorrow morning at 9:30 to get started. Can you let them know the address, the best way to get there, where to go, etc.? Thanks so much.

Matt

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 9:48:50 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Fast and Furious review

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---- Original Message ----From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Newell, William D.; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: Stinnett, Melanie S.; Hoover, William J.; Melson, Kenneth E.; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thu Apr 21 15:34:44 2011

Subject: FW: Fast and Furious review

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From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) [mailto:Matthew.Axelrod@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 3:00 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

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Matt

From: McMahon, William G.

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 10:37 AM

 T_0 :(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Thursday the 21st

Negative. Not sure if this is even going to happen this week. If it does, we can handle. Thanks and enjoy your time away from here.

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From: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 10:34 AM

To: McMahon, William G.

Subject: Re: Thursday the 21st

I am on annual leave. Do you need me to come in?

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From: McMahon, William G.

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) Newell, William D.

Sent: Wed Apr 20 19:14:45 2011 Subject: Thursday the 21st

Guys,

We may have to brief up a couple of DOJ Attorneys tomorrow on "the case." This is in response to a new Congressional Letter. Can you guys get with me tomorrow morning and let me know your availability. Nothing has been finalized, I just wanted to check on your availability.

Thanks and I will see/talk with you tomorrow.

Bill

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Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:54 PM

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CC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Suspect Guns and Associated Traces for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)785115-10-0004

Thank you. When approved, this report should be emailed to me, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (7)(C) (6), (b) (7)(C) (7)(C)

As discussed, please include columns with Recovery Date and Recovery Place (city/state or country). THANKS

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129 202^{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)}Cell (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:22 PM

To:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C

 \mathbf{Cc} : (b) (6), (b) $\overline{(7)(C)}$; (b) (6), (b) $\overline{(7)(C)}$ (b) (6), (b) $\overline{(7)(C)}$

Subject: FW: Suspect Guns and Associated Traces for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) 785115-10-0004

S/A^{(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)}

I thought for sure he was still here, however our Branch Chief is out of the office for the day. Your request must be approved by him before I can create and send out a spreadsheet. This will have to wait until Monday morning to be approved. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Thank You,

(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Law Enforcement Support Branch Suspect Gun Program Contractor-Research Assistant ATF National Tracing Center (b) (6), (b) (7)(c), (b) (6)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:14 PM

 T_{O} : (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Subject: FW: Suspect Guns and Associated Traces for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) 785115-10-0004

As discussed, for all "suspect purchasers" in ATF case 785115 10 0004, can we have a listing of all suspect/traced guns like the one attached for purchaser leave place data in alpha order by purchaser, with the guns in order based on date of purchase. It is not necessary to have those guns that were recovered and traced at the top of the list. These can remain in the list in purchase date order.

Can we also add any identifiable purchases/traces for guns that were never entered into "suspect gun"?

THANKS. I owe you big.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129 202.(b) (6) Cell(b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

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Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2011 3:53 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

s/A(b) (6)

Attached is a spreadsheet of the firearms identified in the Suspect Gun database as being purchased by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and submitted under ATF case 785115-10-0004.

There were (b) (3) (P.L. 111-117), (b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C)

received as

recovered crime guns for this investigation.

Please advise if any other details are needed.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Program Analyst
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244 Needy Rd.
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 2:51 PM

To:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
CC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: VCAB #112407 - Firearms Recovered and Treed from Mexico 12/1/06 to 11/30/10 Attachments: Mexico -12-1-06 to 11-30-10 (VCAB# 112407)RO.pptx; FY10 FIREARMS DATA

RESTRICTIONS.pdf



Please find attached a copy of VCAB assignment #112407 relating to firearms recovered and traced from Mexico between 12/1/06 and 11/30/10. The statistics are based on a query of the Firearms Tracing System on January 12, 2011 and exclude Duplicate and Firearm Turned-in traces. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Please be advised that the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010, Public L. 111-117, which became effective on December 16, 2009, restricts the disclosure of any part of the contents of the Firearms Tracing System or any information required to be kept by Federal Firearms Licensees pursuant to 18 USC 923(g), or required to be reported pursuant to 18 USC 923(g)(3) and 923(g)(7).

The information, which is being provided per your request, is for official law enforcement use only and may only be disseminated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to a Federal, State, local, or tribal law enforcement agency, or a Federal, State, or local prosecutor; or a foreign law enforcement agency solely in connection with and for use in a criminal investigation or prosecution; or a Federal agency for a national security or intelligence purpose. This disclosure restriction shall not be construed to prevent the sharing or exchange of such information among and between Federal, State, local, or foreign law enforcement agencies, Federal, State, or local prosecutors, and Federal national security, intelligence, or counterterrorism officials. Congress has prohibited the public release of any data by the recipient law enforcement agency. The publication of statistical aggregate data regarding firearms traffickers and trafficking channels, firearms misuse, felons, and trafficking investigations is exempt from the restriction. If you have questions regarding these restrictions please contact ATF legal counsel prior to disclosing any of the information provided in this correspondence outside of ATF.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Intelligence Program Specialist
Violent Crime Analysis Branch
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 3:40 PM

To:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Preservation Directive relative to Project Gunrunner **Attachments:** Preservation Directive (Project Gunrunner).docx

All FOD personnel – Please thoroughly review and comply with this additional document preservation directive, which relates to Project Gunrunner. Please note the instructions on identification and storage procedures within the attachment. Please contact me with any questions. Thank you.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.5.129 202 (b) (6). (b) (7)(C) Cell (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

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From: Stinnett, Melanie S.

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 3:12 PM

To: All Assistant Directors; All Deputy Assistant Directors; All Special Agents in Charge

Cc: Hoover, William J.; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Preservation Directive relative to Project Gunrunner

On March 31, 2011 the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform (HCOGR) issued a subpoena for documents related to Operation Fast and Furious and the FBI investigation into the death of Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry. The subpoena also seeks documents and communications relating to Project Gunrunner. On April 8, 2011, Acting Director received a letter from Chairman Issa requesting that ATF preserve all documents and records, including e-mail, electronic documents, and data ("electronic records") created since July 1, 2009 related to the planning and implementation of Project Gunrunner and Operation Fast and Furious.

As you may recall, on March 28, 2011, I issued a Preservation Directive relative to Operation Fast and Furious which remains in effect until further notice. Additionally, I am issuing a second Preservation Directive relative to Project Gunrunner which is attached to this e-mail. I ask that you read this directive carefully, especially since it contains a provision related to seized property. Please make sure that each employee in your directorate or field division complies with this directive. Finally, I need the name of POCs, as set forth in the directive, by COB Friday, April 15, 2011.

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Sent: Monday, April 04, 2011 10:05 AM

To: Priority Items - Field Operations Public Folders; All Special Agents in Charge

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Warren, Mary H.

Subject: Preservation of document for the OIG and recent Subpoena

Importance: High

Last week we went out an e-mail requesting the preservation of documents per an OIG request. Please continue to have your employees search their files for the information requested, but **DO NOT**

FORWARD ANY INFORMATION AT THIS TIME, including the preservation certificates.

We've also received a separate subpoena from the Hill requesting other information. An email will be coming out to in the shortly outlining how the previously requested OIG and the new Subpoenaed information will be transmitted to HQ. This upcoming email will outline the procedure to store all requested documents to include the deadlines.

Thanks again for your cooperation in this matter.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief of Staff

Field Management Staff
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 01, 2011 11:52 AM **To:** All Special Agents in Charge; All ASACS

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Warren, Mary H.; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) All Division Ops Officers

Subject: FW: OIG Request for Information for Operation Fast and Furious - Responses Due to FMS by Thursday, April

7, 2011

On March 21, 2011, the Acting Inspector General (IG) for the Department of Justice advised Acting Director Melson that the IG's Oversight and Review Division recently initiated a review of the ATF firearms trafficking investigation known as Operation Fast and Furious, and other investigations with similar objectives, methods and strategies. On March 25, 2011, Acting Director Melson received the attached request for documents and information relating to the IG review of certain firearms trafficking investigations.

Please carefully review the attached OIG request for documents and forward to each office within your field division that might have relevant documents or information responsive to the IG request. While it is likely that most of the requested records will be housed at the Phoenix Field Division or Bureau headquarters, it is nonetheless critical that each SAC ensure a thorough search is conducted at each field division and any responsive record is forwarded as instructed. Please err on the side of caution and be over inclusive in producing documents or information.

Also attached is a verification certification which needs to be signed and dated by each SAC. If your division does not have responsive materials, please note "no responsive records found" on the certification and provide a copy of the signed document as instructed below.

I ask that your office adhere to the following guidelines in complying with this IG request:

- 1. Maintain copies of the documents and information that you produce;
- 2. Where appropriate, create a document to record the information you are producing (for example, item 6 of the attached memo will require the creation of a document, however this particular item applies only to the Phoenix Field Division); and
- 3. Identify the employee(s) who conducted the search for documents or information.

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Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 1:56 PM

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Subject: FW: Guidance on Firearms Trafficking Investigations

Attachments: Guidance on FT Inv..jpg

All - attached is a memo from the ADFO to the field reinforcing ATF policy regarding firearms trafficking investigations and communicating recent DOJ guidance.

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 4:57 PM

To: Priority Items - Field Operations Public Folders; All Special Agents in Charge

Subject: Guidance on Firearms Trafficking Investigations

THIS E-MAIL IS APPROVED AND AT THE DIRECTION OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – FIELD OPERATIONS

Attached you will find a memorandum reinforcing ATF's policy regarding firearms trafficking investigations. Please review this document and ensure that it is provided to all special agents in your respective field divisions.

If you have any questions, please contact the AD/FO's office.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief of Staff Field Management Staff

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Sent: Wednesday, March 02, 2011 9:51 AM

To: Chait, Mark R.; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Subject: FW: DOJ Briefing (PHX FD)

Attachments: Firearm purchases - per date w recover.pdf; Gun Runner Study.docx

Attached is the chronology chart from Phoenix.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2011 3:33 PM

To: McMahon, William G.

Subject: FW: DOJ Briefing (PHX FD)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129 202. (b) (c) (7XC) Cell (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: Needles, James R.

Sent: Wednesday, February 09, 2011 2:18 PM **To:** Chait, Mark R.; (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

Cc: Newell, William D.

Subject: DOJ Briefing (PHX FD)

Mark/

The map of firearm recoveries includes only recovered firearms purchased by (b) (3) (P.L. 111-117) reference the Fast & Furious investigation and entered into the Suspect Gun Program database. Of (b) (3) (P.L. 111-117)

The total number of firearms recovered in the Mexico – (b)(3)(PL 111-117)

The total number of firearms recovered in Mexico – (b)(3)(PL 111-117)

- In addition to the firearms represented on the map(b) (3) (P.L. 111-117)
- We brought in numerous agents from out-of-town (and out-of-state) to assist in surveillance during this case prior the arrival of the GRIT detail, approximately March 14, 2010 May 3, 2010. **These agents worked exclusive surveillance for 7 weeks, 7 days a week, totaling over 3,920 "man hours" of surveillance.** This does not include the surveillance worked by Group VII prior to their arrival or surveillance worked after their departure when the GRIT detail was in town. During these literally thousands of hours of surveillance, never in one instance did we "walk" guns to Mexico. These 7 weeks of surveillance cost the ATF over \$100,000.00 in travel funds (which we secured in advance through OCDETF funding.)

(b) (7)(E)

We spent (unknown but conservatively in excess of \$100,000.00) in SLOT to reimburse the Phoenix Police Department for their assistance in this investigation. We utilized the Phoenix Police Department Air Wing on numerous occasions to aid us in conducting aerial surveillance. They never conducted surveillance of any person, vehicle or guns to Mexico. Frankly they never had the need to leave Maricopa County.

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2011 10:51:47 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: DOJ atty's

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Senior Special Agent Firearms Operations Division 202.(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (office) (b) (7)(C), (b) (6) (cell)

----Original Message----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2011 10:48 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: DOJ atty's

Could one or both come to 5n-503 to meet with them

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 10:33 AM

To: McMahon, William G. **Subject:** Re: Thursday the 21st

I am on annual leave. Do you need me to come in?

From: McMahon, William G.

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)(b) (7)(C), (b) (6) Newell, William D.

Sent: Wed Apr 20 19:14:45 2011 Subject: Thursday the 21st

Guys,

We may have to brief up a couple of DOJ Attorneys tomorrow on "the case." This is in response to a new Congressional Letter. Can you guys get with me tomorrow morning and let me know your availability. Nothing has been finalized, I just wanted to check on your availability.

Thanks and I will see/talk with you tomorrow.

Bill

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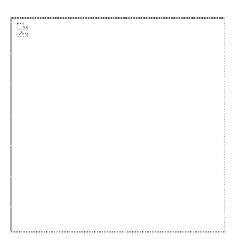
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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 9:06 AM To: Border Crime Gun Recovery Project

CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Mexico Border Report-03/13/2011-03/20/2011 **Attachments:** BORDER CG REC PROJ (version 1).xls



MEXICO ATF BORDER OFFICE

CRIME GUN RECOVERY IMPACT PROJECT

This report contains information on U.S. source firearms recovered in the Federal Republic of Mexico which during the course of tracing have been identified as having an investigative nexus to the Houston, Dallas, Phoenix and Los Angeles ATF Field Divisions. This report provides a focused review of trace information developed by the National Tracing Center Division during the previous week and is provided for analysis by the effected ATF offices of the Houston, Dallas, Arizona and Los Angeles Field Divisions.

The attachment to this communication contains three reports:

For ease of printing the first attached report is set to print on legal landscape automatically.

1. MEXICO BORDER OFFICE CRIME GUN RECOVERY PROJECT

Contains data identifying firearms recovered by:

Field Division NEXUS
Trace Identification Number
Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL)
Federal Firearms Licensee State
Federal Firearms Licensee City
Firearms Manufacturer
Caliber
Serial Number
Purchaser Last Name
Purchaser First Name

Purchase Date
Recovery Date
Multiple Sales Status

2. MULTIPLE SALES REPORTS FOR FIREARMS PURCHASES IN ATF BORDER FIELD DIVISIONS

Contains data identifying ATF Multiple Sales by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL State

FFL City

Multiple Sales Identification Number

Number Of Firearms Purchased

Purchaser Last Name

Purchaser Sex

3. ATF BORDER OFFICE REPORT ON 01 FFL'S WITH FIVE (5) OR MORE FIREARMS RECOVERIES (MEXICO) IN THE LAST YEAR

Contains data identifying 01 FFL's by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL Number

FFL State

FFL City

Number of Traces

The attached worksheets are provided in excel format for ease of data manipulation by the recipient. This report is prepared by the National Tracing Center Division-Firearms Tracing Branch and is designed to be used in conjunction with ONLINE LEAD and/or ETRACE.

(b) (7)(C)

Program Analyst NTC-Firearms Tracing Branch

304-260(b) (7)(C)

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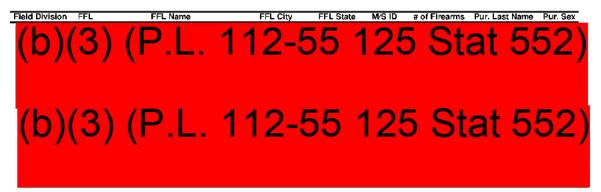
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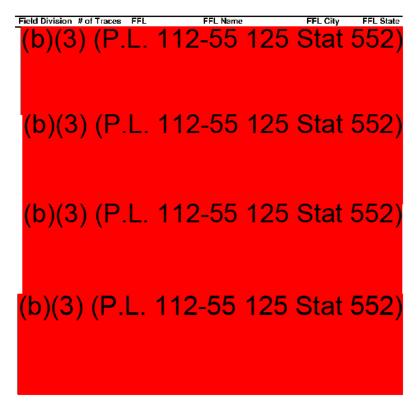


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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2011 1:51 PM **To:** (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: SWB Conference Call

Thanks (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (7)(C) =,

The SWB conference call is next Thursday. Thanks, (b) (7)(C)

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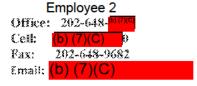
To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: SWB Conference Call

No. Next Thursday the 31st (last Thursday of each month). I am setting up the conference call and the conference room. I will get with you on this. Let's get together tomorrow morning when you get in.

(b) (7)(C)

Field Intelligence Support Team - Southwest Border Bure au of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Intelligence Operations Specialist



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2011 10:21 AM

To:(b) (7)(C)

Subject: SWB Conference Call

Hi (b) (7)(C) Are we having the SWB conference call tomorrow? Thanks, (b) (7)(C)

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Program Analyst Firearms Operations Division Office of Field Operations Bureau of ATF

202-648-^{(b) (7)(C)}

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From: (b) (7)(C)Sent **Employee**, **2**March 21, 2011 8:09:16 AM To: Needles, James R.; (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(C)

I'm hitting several big delays on inbound train. Should be in by 830 or so.

Jim and $\frac{(b)(7)(C)}{c}$ can give $\frac{(b)(7)(C)}{c}$ an overview of assignment if he arrives and I'm not in yet.

(b) (6) Let's plan on a 10AM meeting to discuss plans, office space, etc.

(D)(7)(C) - I'll get you the FF reports back when I arrive.

Jim you can get copy(s) from (b)(7)(C) cabinet.

(b)(/)(C)
Chief, Firearms Operations Division 202 648 (b)(7)(C)
Cell (b)(7)(C)

Subject: Train delay

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 4:12 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Mexico FA Trafficking SPFD

Attachments: Case Timeline.docx

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From: Zapor, Bernard J.

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 10:04 AM

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Subject: FW: Mexico FA Trafficking SPFD

FYL

Bernard J. Zapor Special Agent in Charge ATF St. Paul Field Division 651-726 (1017)(C)

From: Zapor, Bernard J.

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 10:00 AM

To: Boxler, Michael B.

Subject: Mexico FA Trafficking SPFD

Mike:

- 1. We have not had any operations/investigations that allowed any firearms to knowingly enter the Republic of Mexico.
- We have not had any operations/investigations where we witnessed firearms entering the Republic of Mexico.

Attached for you information is the timeline of Operation Big Musky (FA trafficking to Mexico).

Bernard J. Zapor

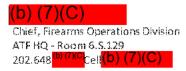
Special Agent in Charge ATF St. Paul Field Division 651-726 (0) (7)(C)

From:(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2011 10:28 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:

Are you in? Come over in about 10 minutes to Jim's office...



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 4:50 PM

To: Needles, James R.

Subject: FW: Mexico FA Trafficking SPFD

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Jim,

Big Musky Timeline.

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 4:12 PM

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Subject: FW: Mexico FA Trafficking SPFD

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From: Zapor, Bernard J.

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 10:04 AM

To:(b) (7)(C)

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FYI

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 4:48 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (7)(C)

Much appreciated and thanks for the quick response.

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From: Zapor, Bernard J.

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 10:04 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Mexico FA Trafficking SPFD

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Bernard J. Zapor Special Agent in Charge ATF St. Paul Field Division 651-726 [6] (7)(5]

From: Zapor, Bernard J.

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 10:00 AM

To: Boxler, Michael B.

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Mike:

1. We have not had any operations/investigations that allowed any firearms to knowingly enter the Republic of Mexico.

2. We have not had any operations/investigations where we witnessed firearms entering the Republic of Mexico.

Attached for you information is the timeline of Operation Big Musky (FA trafficking to Mexico).

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 3:59 PM

 $T_0: (b) (7)(C)$

Subject:



(b) (7)(C) from Firearms Operations Division in HQ. I just reached out to (7)(C) who told me to reach out to you. Could you give me a call in reference to the Big Musky case at 202 648 or cell (b) (7)(C). I have a few time sensitive questions and I can fill you in on the details when we talk.

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From: (b) (7)(C) Sent **Employee, 2**March 21, 2011 8:21:37 AM To: (b) (7)(C) Subject: RE: Train delay Sounds good (b) (7)(C) Original Message From: (b) (7)(C) Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 8:09 AM ; (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C) To: Needles, James R.; (b)(7)(C)Subject: Train delay I'm hitting several big delays on inbound train. Should be in by 830 or so. Jim and $\overline{\text{prove}}$ can give $\overline{\text{prove}}$ an overview of assignment if he arrives and I'm not in yet. (b) (6) Let's plan on a 10AM meeting to discuss plans, office space, etc. I'll get you the FF reports back when I arrive. Jim - you can get copy(s) from (b)(7)(C) cabinet.

(b) (7)(C)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division 202-648-(b) (7)(C) cell (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 11:17 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW:

Attachments: ATF NFORCE 201103 1.docx

see attachment ...

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 2:08 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)Subject: RE:

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202.648 (b) (7)(C)Office b) (7)(C Mobile

National Field Office Case Information System The Home of ATF's Official Case Management System ATF National Headquarters, Suites 8E352-8E449 99 New York Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20226

From: (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 9:00 AM

To:(b) (7)(C)

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CURRENT STATUS OF TRACING ISSUES

Subject: SWB Conference Call on 4/28/11 at 11:00AM EST

Location: 8S-100 (HQ)

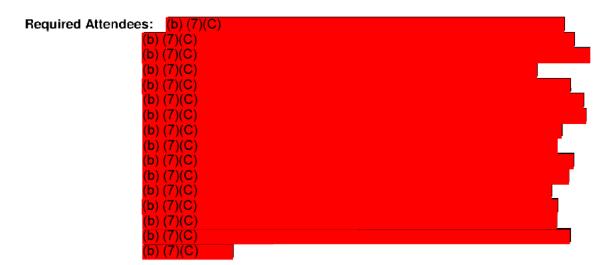
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Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded



Optional Attendees: McMahon, William G.; Martin, Steve K.; (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Resources: 8S-100 (HQ)

When: Thursday, April 28, 2011 11:00 AM-1:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US &

Canada).

Where: 8S-100 (HQ)

Note: The GMT offset above does not reflect daylight saving time adjustments.

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Please see the attached agenda for the conference call this Thursday. Thanks for your

participation. (b) (7)(C)



04-28-2011 SWB CONFERENCE CALL AGENDA.docx (18 kB)

SW8 Conference Call Participants,

Please join us for the next Southwest Border Conference Call on April 28, 2011, at 11:00 AM <u>Eastern Standard Time</u>. The large conference room located at <u>8S-100 is reserved</u> <u>for all Headquarters participants</u> to conserve the phone lines. Field participants are being asked to group together as much as possible to conserve the phone lines as well.

Attached you will find the minutes from our last call on March 31, 2011, as well as the list of those who participated.

Per (b) (7)(C)—, ATF's National Coordinator for SWB, each of the lour SWB Division FIGs must have a supervisor or other representative on the call.

The agenda for the call will be sent next week. Please be prepared to discuss significant SWB investigations and/or intelligence. If you have a specific issue for discussion that you would like included on the agenda, please send me an e-mail. I would love to hear your topics of interest.

Thanks, (b) (7)(C)

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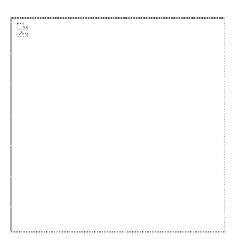
CURRENT STATUS OF TRACING ISSUES

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2011 9:34 AM To: Border Crime Gun Recovery Project

CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Mexico Border Report-04/17/2011-04/24/2011 Attachments: BORDER CG REC PROJ (version 1).xls



MEXICO ATF BORDER OFFICE

CRIME GUN RECOVERY IMPACT PROJECT

This report contains information on U.S. source firearms recovered in the Federal Republic of Mexico which during the course of tracing have been identified as having an investigative nexus to the Houston, Dallas, Phoenix and Los Angeles ATF Field Divisions. This report provides a focused review of trace information developed by the National Tracing Center Division during the previous week and is provided for analysis by the effected ATF offices of the Houston, Dallas, Arizona and Los Angeles Field Divisions.

The attachment to this communication contains three reports:

For ease of printing the first attached report is set to print on legal landscape automatically.

1. MEXICO BORDER OFFICE CRIME GUN RECOVERY PROJECT

Contains data identifying firearms recovered by:

Field Division NEXUS
Trace Identification Number
Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL)
Federal Firearms Licensee State
Federal Firearms Licensee City
Firearms Manufacturer
Caliber
Serial Number
Purchaser Last Name
Purchaser First Name

Purchase Date
Recovery Date
Multiple Sales Status

2. MULTIPLE SALES REPORTS FOR FIREARMS PURCHASES IN ATF BORDER FIELD DIVISIONS

Contains data identifying ATF Multiple Sales by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL State

FFL City

Multiple Sales Identification Number

Number Of Firearms Purchased

Purchaser Last Name

Purchaser Sex

3. ATF BORDER OFFICE REPORT ON 01 FFL'S WITH FIVE (5) OR MORE FIREARMS RECOVERIES (MEXICO) IN THE LAST YEAR

Contains data identifying 01 FFL's by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL Number

FFL State

FFL City

Number of Traces

The attached worksheets are provided in excel format for ease of data manipulation by the recipient. This report is prepared by the National Tracing Center Division-Firearms Tracing Branch and is designed to be used in conjunction with ONLINE LEAD and/or ETRACE.

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Program Analyst
NTC-Firearms Tracing Branch

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MEXICO - ATF BORDER OFFICE CRIME GUN RECOVERY PROJECT

Division Trace ID FFL FFL Name FFL City FFL State Manufacturer Caliber Serial # Pur. LN Pur. FN Pur. City Pur. State Pur. Date Rec Date M/S (b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552)

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From:

To: Newell, William D. CC: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Info

Bill and (b) (7)(C)

Can we find some time on Monday or Tuesday to sit down so I can update you on the Phoenix trip – where we are at and what is currently being done. Just want to keep everyone informed.

From: Newell, William D.

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 4:36 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Info

No worries, figured that's where you were. Have a great weekend.

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From: (b) (7)(C)
To: Newell, William D.

Sent: Fri Apr 22 16:35:01 2011

Subject: Re: Info

Thanks bill and sorry for the late response. I just got off the plane

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From: Newell, William D. To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Apr 22 16:31:03 2011

Subject: Re: Info

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I got my answer from Needles. Thanks. But for future purposes my cell is (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)**To**: Newell, William D.

Sent: Fri Apr 22 16:29:25 2011

Subject: Re: Info

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What number can I reach you at

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From: Newell, William D. To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Apr 22 13:32:15 2011

Subject: Info

you're probably on the flight back but give me or McMahon a call if you are available. Looking for the product you worked on this week, if final.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 6:04 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Document in N-Force

Freaking ridiculous!

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 3:04 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Document in N-Force

Unreal. None of this suprises me

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From: (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Mon Apr 18 17:24:34 2011 Subject: Document in N-Force

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 5:24 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Document in N-Force

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broke the trafficker, whom I wrote about in the swb paper we talked about. I interviewed the purchaser, only to learn that 60000 was on the case. What's not mentioned in (b) (7)(C) write-up is that the guy purchased over 20 rifles and three ffls and sold all of them in mexico. Unfortunately, we're outside the statute of limitations now.

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Not sure if everyone is aware but Thursday and Friday are Mexican Holidays. I will attempt to be in on the call from my residence.

SWB Conference Call Participants,

Where: 8S-100 (HQ)

Please join us for the next Southwest Border Conference Call on April 28, 2011, at 11:00 AM <u>Eastern Standard Time</u>. The large conference room located at <u>8S-100 is reserved for all Headquarters participants</u> to conserve the phone lines. Field participants are being asked to group together as much as possible to conserve the phone lines as well.

Attached you will find the minutes from our last call on March 31, 2011, as well as the list of those who participated.

Per (b) (7)(C) ATF's National Coordinator for SWB, each of the four SWB Division FIGs must have a supervisor or other representative on the call.

The agenda for the call will be sent next week. Please be prepared to discuss significant SWB investigations and/or intelligence. If you have a specific issue for discussion that you would like included on the agenda, please send me an e-mail. I would love to hear your topics of interest.

Thanks, (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (7)(C) has invited you to: (b) (7)(C) conference call.

This conference is scheduled to begin on April 28, 2011 at 11:00AM EST. This conference is scheduled to last for (120) minutes. Dial in lines (50).

To access this conference via telephone, please call the following number: 1-800-366-9503, (if you are calling from Washington DC, area code 202, you must dial ONLY 777-7778). If you are calling from the local Metro Washington DC area including Virginia and Maryland, please dial 202-777-7778, when prompted for your conference code, please enter 992717 followed by the # on your telephone keypad.

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Subject: SWB Conference Call on 4/28/11 at 11:00AM EST

Location: 8S-100 (HQ)

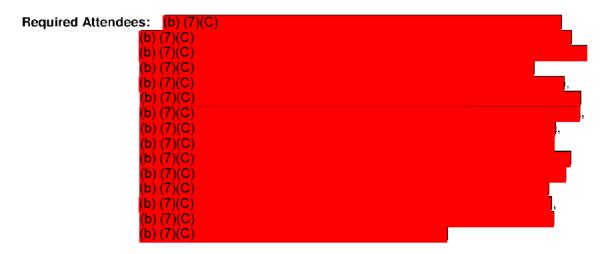
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Optional Attendees: McMahon, William G.; Martin, Steve K.

Resources: 8S-100 (HQ)

When: Thursday, April 28, 2011 11:00 AM-1:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US &

Canada).

Where: 8S-100 (HQ)

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SWB Conference Call Participants,

Please join us for the next Southwest Border Conference Call on April 28, 2011, at 11:00

AM ______. The large conference room located at <u>8S-100</u> is <u>reserved</u> <u>for all Headquarters participants</u> to conserve the phone lines. Field participants are being asked to group together as much as possible to conserve the phone lines as well.

Attached you will find the minutes from our last call on March 31, 2011, as well as the list of those who participated.

Per(b) (7)(C) , ATF's National Coordinator for SWB, each of the four SWB Division FIGs **must** have a supervisor or other representative on the call.

The agenda for the call will be sent next week. Please be prepared to discuss significant SWB investigations and/or intelligence. If you have a specific issue for discussion that you would like included on the agenda, please send me an e-mail. I would love to hear your topics of interest.

Thanks, Christine

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(b) (7)(C) has invited you to: (b) (7)(C) conference call.

This conference is scheduled to begin on **April 28**, **2011 at 11:00AM EST**. This conference is scheduled to last for **(120)** minutes. Dial in lines **(50)**.

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SOUTHWEST BORDER GUNRUNNER CONFERENCE CALL

MARCH 31, 2011 AT 11:00 A.M. EST

FIELD DIVISIONS

HIGHLIGHTED NAMES PARTICIPATED IN THE CALL

FIELD DIVISIONS

DALLAS FIELD DIVISION

FIG GS (b) (7)(C)

RAC (b) (7)(C) - El Paso FO

RAC (b) (7)(C) – Dallas III

DENVER FIELD DIVISION

FIG GS (b) (7)(C)

HOUSTON FIELD DIVISION

FIG GS (b) (7)(C)

SSA(b) (7)(C)

RAC (b) (7)(C) McAllen III FO

RAC (b) (7)(C) McAllen I FO

RAC (b) (7)(C) - Laredo FO

GS (b) (7)(C) - Houston VII (Strike Force)

RAC (b) (7)(C) - San Antonio I

A/RAC (b) (7)(C) Corpus Christi

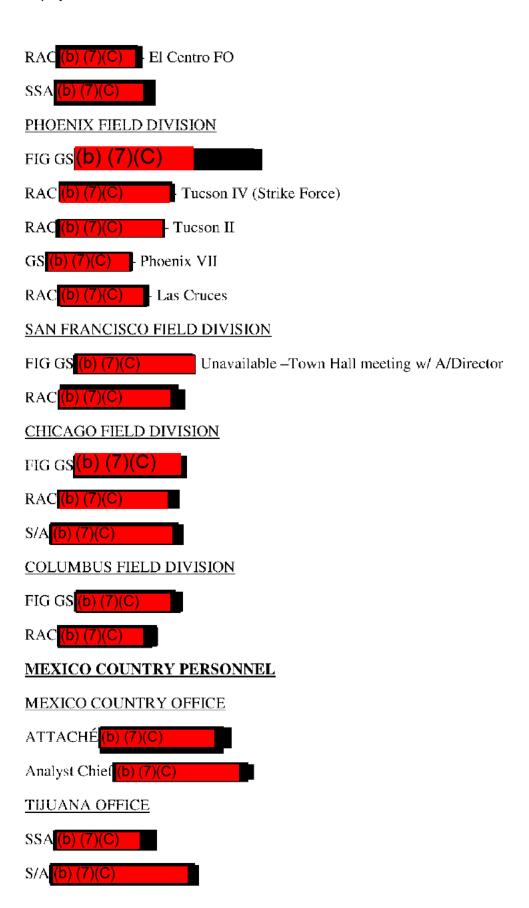
SA (b) (7)(C) - Corpus Christi

LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

FIG GS (b) (7)(C)

RAC (b) (7)(C) - San Diego I

RAC (b) (7)(C) San Diego II



JUAREZ OFFICE SSA (b) (7)(C) MONTERREY OFFICE SSA(b) (7)(C) - On assignment in support of San Antonio case **HEADQUARTER'S PERSONNEL** FIELD OPERATIONS DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR William McMahon INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS OFFICE CHIEF (b) (7)(C) SSA (b) (7)(C) - Unavailable - Personnel Recovery Meeting in VA. SSA(b) (7)(C) Unavailable - out of country FIREARMS OPERATIONS DIVISION CHEF (b) (7)(C) NATIONAL COORDINATOR SSA (b) (7)(C) P/A (b) (7)(C) OFFICE OF STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE AND INFORMATION **DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR Steve Martin** CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION CHIEF (b) (7)(C) CHIEF SPB (b) (7)(C) EPIC RAC (b) (7)(C)EPIC SA (b) (7)(C) SA (b) (7)(C) SA (b) (7)(C) FIST BRANCH CHIEF (b) (7)(C)

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FIST WEST (b) (7)(C)

USBDC DIRECTOR (b) (7)(C)

USBDC IRS (b) (7)(C)

SOUTHWEST BORDER GUNRUNNER CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

March 31, 2011 AT 11:00 A.M. EST

EXCHANGE AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

Outreach

FIST Branch Chief (b) (7)(C) former RAC in Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about a SWB public awareness initiative that he began in TX and now plans to continue on a national level. The initiative consists of two main components:

- Media Relations SWB success stories, yearly press conferences through the Office of the Director, publication of major firearms seizures
- Public Service Announcements Straw purchasing awareness specific to SWB, billboards, broadcasts, and outreach to faith-based groups, colleges, universities and pawn shops

SWB National Coordinator mentioned that he is working with PGA on Gunrunner standard language talking points for supervisors in the field.

RAC (b) (7)(C) (McAllen) said that ATF has visited five universities in the UT system (Rio Grande Valley) to post signage and distribute hand-outs on straw purchasing. In addition, they have been working with the TX DPS to communicate the campaign message to each DMV.

FIELD DIVISION'S MAJOR SWB INVESTIGATIONS

Dallas FD – FIG GS (b) (7)(C) reported that the Division has some good trafficking cases currently and that they are seeing illegal firearms purchases moving to east and west Texas.

Houston FD – S/A(b)(7)(C) (Corpus Christi) stated that Corpus is a transit point for firearms traffickers and that the group is working OCDETF cases with DEA and ICE.

RAC (b) (7)(C) reported on the (b) (7)(A)
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Los Angeles FD – FIG GS (b) (7)(C) spoke of the need for a trafficking statute since USAs are often unwilling to prosecute firearms traffickers. Penalties should be based on frequency and numbers of firearms trafficked.

SSA (b) (7)(C) mentioned increased collaboration with local LE through to the Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC).

Mexico – MCO Attaché (b) (7)(C) said that they have been receiving quite a few requests from the field for Mexico seizure reports, particularly from the HFD. (b) (7)(C) asked that divisions give a couple of months notice when requesting MCO to view and photograph seized weapons for court.

(b) (7)(C) also mentioned that there is a misconception in Mexico that the firearm used to kill ICE agent Jaime Zapata is linked to ATF's Fast and Furious case.

Analyst Chief (b) (7)(C) reported that members of the MCO and the Firearms Technology Branch reviewed 425 firearms, which were seized in Reynosa, Tamaulipas, on November 6, 2008. The seizure is associated with (b) (7)(C) This is the first time ATF has been able to personally view and photograph the firearms. ATF is comparing old traces and resubmitting traces associated with this seizure in order to support prosecutions on both sides of the border. Some of the firearms included four brand new Barrett .50 caliber rifles in their pelican cases and 11 PS90 5.7mm rifles. Of the 11, one had its serial number obliterated and the remaining 10 were signed over to Mexican Air Force personnel assigned at the Santa Lucia Air Force Base in the State of Mexico.

The ATF case number for this seizure event is 164020-09-0001, 11/06/2008 Seizure – Reynosa, Tamaulipas (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(C) reported that SA (b) (7)(C) is working with DEA SIU on the Zapata case and he will reach out to Intel soon.

(b) (7)(C) encouraged the field to send the MCO as much information as possible on ongoing ATF investigations.

(b) (7)(C) also reported that the MCO has responded to every car bombing in Mexico, except one.
(b) (7)(C) and (b) (7)(C) of the USBDC in OSII HQ are able to work high side information on Mexico bombings.

Phoenix FD – Las Cruces RAC (b) (7)(C) reported that he attended a meeting with SAC Newell and Senator Jeff Bingaman to discuss ATF's difficulty in investigating firearms traffickers due to constitutional prohibitions.

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RAC (b) (7)(C) mentioned OCDETF investigation (b) (7)(A)
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(See 3/25/11 SIR.)

San Francisco FD – Las Vegas RAC(b) (7)(C) provided an update on Operation BROWNE Stalker (7896085-10-0043), in which approximately 30 firearms were trafficked. This investigation began after Mexican authorities raided a "Los Zetas" training camp in Higueras, Nuevo Leon, and recovered 158 firearms. ATF traced the firearms and found

(b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

suggested that outside agency requests for SWB information be routed to Chief (b) (7)(C) EPIC, which can function as a central clearing house.

Also, divisions with IRS training requests can e-mail (b) (7)(C) and cc(b)(7)(C)

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL

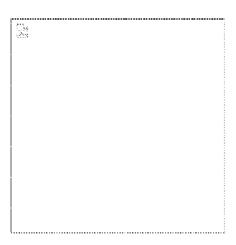
The next call is planned for April 28, 2011, from 11:00 – 1:00 EST. A calendar appointment will be sent to all participants.

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 9:21 AM To: Border Crime Gun Recovery Project

CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Mexico Border Report-04/10/2011-04/17/2011 **Attachments:** BORDER CG REC PROJ (version 1).xls



MEXICO ATF BORDER OFFICE

CRIME GUN RECOVERY IMPACT PROJECT

This report contains information on U.S. source firearms recovered in the Federal Republic of Mexico which during the course of tracing have been identified as having an investigative nexus to the Houston, Dallas, Phoenix and Los Angeles ATF Field Divisions. This report provides a focused review of trace information developed by the National Tracing Center Division during the previous week and is provided for analysis by the effected ATF offices of the Houston, Dallas, Arizona and Los Angeles Field Divisions.

The attachment to this communication contains three reports:

For ease of printing the first attached report is set to print on legal landscape automatically.

1. MEXICO BORDER OFFICE CRIME GUN RECOVERY PROJECT

Contains data identifying firearms recovered by:

Field Division NEXUS
Trace Identification Number
Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL)
Federal Firearms Licensee State
Federal Firearms Licensee City
Firearms Manufacturer
Caliber
Serial Number
Purchaser Last Name
Purchaser First Name

Purchase Date
Recovery Date
Multiple Sales Status

2. MULTIPLE SALES REPORTS FOR FIREARMS PURCHASES IN ATF BORDER FIELD DIVISIONS

Contains data identifying ATF Multiple Sales by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL State

FFL City

Multiple Sales Identification Number

Number Of Firearms Purchased

Purchaser Last Name

Purchaser Sex

3. ATF BORDER OFFICE REPORT ON 01 FFL'S WITH FIVE (5) OR MORE FIREARMS RECOVERIES (MEXICO) IN THE LAST YEAR

Contains data identifying 01 FFL's by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL Number

FFL State

FFL City

Number of Traces

The attached worksheets are provided in excel format for ease of data manipulation by the recipient. This report is prepared by the National Tracing Center Division-Firearms Tracing Branch and is designed to be used in conjunction with ONLINE LEAD and/or ETRACE.

(b) (7)(C)

Program Analyst

NTC-Firearms Tracing Branch

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MEXICO - ATF BORDER OFFICE CRIME GUN RECOVERY PROJECT

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 12:06 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: BTEP training

Sorry. Just replied without typing anything.

No worries, did not realize you are part of that. I can imagine you are busy. Will swing by and say hello next time I am over at HQ.



(b) (7)(C)

ATF Special Agent Staff Coordinator - DEA SOD

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Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 11:45 AM

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Be safe.

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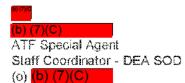
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Would you be interested in the BTEP (Basic Telecommunications Exploitation Program) training that DEA SOD puts on? We are trying to grab a spot for you and one of the cost, held at some hotel in Chantilly.

Dates May 10-12 or June 7-9. Let me know if either works, so we can forward the request on.



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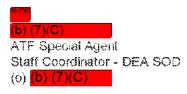
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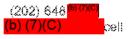
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 2:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:

Thanks (b) (7)(C)

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ATF National Coordinator Southwest Border/Project Gunrunner



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Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 2:26 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject:

(b) (7)(C)

In reference to the trafficking orders re-write, the agents name in San Diego is (b)(7)(C) —cell (b)(7)(C) . I spoke with him and he said he would be interested in participating. He has an abundance of firearms trafficking experience (10 years) both domestic and international and is an excellent writer. He is a nexus guy and is currently in the computer forensic training program.

Thanks^{(b) (7)(c)}



SPECIAL ÅGENT (b) (7)(C)
PROJECT OFFICER
OFFICE OF FIELD OPERATIONS
FIREARMS OPERATIONS DIVISION
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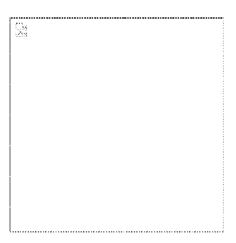
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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:27 AM To: Border Crime Gun Recovery Project

CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Mexico Report-04/03/2011-04/10/2011 **Attachments:** BORDER CG REC PROJ (version 1).xls



MEXICO ATF BORDER OFFICE

CRIME GUN RECOVERY IMPACT PROJECT

This report contains information on U.S. source firearms recovered in the Federal Republic of Mexico which during the course of tracing have been identified as having an investigative nexus to the Houston, Dallas, Phoenix and Los Angeles ATF Field Divisions. This report provides a focused review of trace information developed by the National Tracing Center Division during the previous week and is provided for analysis by the effected ATF offices of the Houston, Dallas, Arizona and Los Angeles Field Divisions.

The attachment to this communication contains three reports:

For ease of printing the first attached report is set to print on legal landscape automatically.

1. MEXICO BORDER OFFICE CRIME GUN RECOVERY PROJECT

Contains data identifying firearms recovered by:

Field Division NEXUS
Trace Identification Number
Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL)
Federal Firearms Licensee State
Federal Firearms Licensee City
Firearms Manufacturer
Caliber
Serial Number
Purchaser Last Name
Purchaser First Name

Purchase Date
Recovery Date
Multiple Sales Status

2. MULTIPLE SALES REPORTS FOR FIREARMS PURCHASES IN ATF BORDER FIELD DIVISIONS

Contains data identifying ATF Multiple Sales by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL State

FFL City

Multiple Sales Identification Number

Number Of Firearms Purchased

Purchaser Last Name

Purchaser Sex

3. ATF BORDER OFFICE REPORT ON 01 FFL'S WITH FIVE (5) OR MORE FIREARMS RECOVERIES (MEXICO) IN THE LAST YEAR

Contains data identifying 01 FFL's by:

Field Division NEXUS

FFL Name

FFL Number

FFL State

FFL City

Number of Traces

The attached worksheets are provided in excel format for ease of data manipulation by the recipient. This report is prepared by the National Tracing Center Division-Firearms Tracing Branch and is designed to be used in conjunction with ONLINE LEAD and/or ETRACE.

(b) (7)(C)

Program Analyst
NTC-Firearms Tracing Branch

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MEXICO - ATF BORDER OFFICE CRIME GUN RECOVERY PROJECT

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 3:54 PM

To: Needles, James R.; (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Conference Room 5N.655

FYI - We'll be moving the F&F papers into the 5th floor room below, and out of the 2nd floor room.

(b) (7)(C)
Chief, Firearms Operations Division
ATF HQ - Room 6.5.129
202.648 (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 2:51 PM

To:(b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C)

Cc:(b) (7)(C)

McMahon, William G.;

Chait, Mark R.; McCabe, Harry L. Subject: Conference Room 5N.655

Conference room 5N.655 is now turned over to (b) (7) (C) for the daily use of his working group. (b) (7) (C) will continue to manage the collection and organization of the NCETR files and they will temporarily be stored along the wall in my office. (b) (7) (C) has the key to give to (b) (7) (C) who in OM do I need to notify that we made this switch? Thanks.

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Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Required Attendees: Chait, Mark R.; McMahon, William S.; (b) (7)(C)

When: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 2:00 PM-2:30 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Mark's office

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Subject: Fast & Furious mtg.

Location: Mark's office

Start: 4/26/2011 2:00 PM

End: 4/26/2011 2:30 PM

Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Required Attendees: Chait, Mark R.; McMahon, William G.; (b) (7)(C)

Resources: Mark's office

Employee 2 735

SWB Conference Call on 4/28/11 at 11:00AM EST

Location: 8S-100 (HQ)

4/28/2011 11:00 AM Start:

End: 4/28/2011 1:00 PM Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

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Required Attendees:
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When: Thursday, April 28, 2011 11:00 AM-1:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US &

Canada).

Where: 8S-100 (HQ)

Note: The GMT offset above does not reflect daylight saving time adjustments.

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Please see the attached agenda for the conference call this Thursday. Thanks for your participation. (b) (7)(C)

<<04-28-2011 SWB CONFERENCE CALL AGENDA.docx>>

SWB Conference Call Participants,

Please join us for the next Southwest Border Conference Call on April 28, 2011, at 11:00 AM Eastern Standard Time. The large conference room located at 8S-100 is reserved for all Headquarters participants to conserve the phone lines. Field participants are being asked to group together as much as possible to conserve the phone lines as well.

Attached you will find the minutes from our last call on March 31, 2011, as well as the list of those who participated.

Per (b) (7) (C) ATF's National Coordinator for SWB, each of the four SWB Division FLGs must have a supervisor or other representative on the call.

The agenda for the call will be sent next week. Please be prepared to discuss significant SWB investigations and/or intelligence. If you have a specific issue for discussion that you would like included on the agenda, please send me an e-mail. I would love to hear your topics of interest.

Thanks, (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (7)(C) has invited you to: (b) (7)(C) conference call. This conference is scheduled to begin on April 28, 2011 at 11:00AM EST. This conference is scheduled to last for (120) minutes. Dial in lines (50). To access this conference via telephone, please call the following number: 1 800 366 9503, (if you are calling from Washington DC, area code 202, you must dial ONLY 777 7778). If you are calling from the local Metro Washington DC area including Virginia and Maryland, please dial 202-777-7778, when prompted for your conference code, please enter 992717 followed by the # on your telephone keypad.

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SOUTHWEST BORDER GUNRUNNER CONFERENCE CALL

MARCH 31, 2011 AT 11:00 A.M. EST

FIELD DIVISIONS

HIGHLIGHTED NAMES PARTICIPATED IN THE CALL

FIELD DIVISIONS

DALLAS FIELD DIVISION

FIG GS (b) (7)(C)

RAC (b) (7)(C) - El Paso FO

RAC (b) (7)(C) – Dallas III

DENVER FIELD DIVISION

FIG GS (b) (7)(C)

HOUSTON FIELD DIVISION

FIG GS (b) (7)(C)

SSA(b) (7)(C)

RAC(b) (7)(C) McAllen III FO

RAC(b) (7)(C) McAllen I FO

RAC (b) (7)(C) Laredo FO

GS(b) (7)(C) - Houston VII (Strike Force)

RAC(b) (7)(C) - San Antonio I

A/RAC (b) (7)(C) Corpus Christi

SA(b) (7)(C) Corpus Christi

LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

FIGGS(b)(7)(C)

RAC(b) (7)(C) - San Diego I

RAC(b) (7)(C) San Diego II

RAC(b) (1)(C) El Centro FO SSA (b) (7)(C) PHOENIX FIELD DIVISION FIGGS(b)(7)(C)RAC(b)(7)(C)Tucson IV (Strike Force) RAC(b) (7)(C) Tucson II GS(b)(7)(C) - Phoenix VII RAC(b) (7)(C) Las Cruces SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION FIG GS(b) (7)(C) Unavailable –Town Hall meeting w/ A/Director RAC(b)(7)(C)**CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION** FIG GS(b) (7)(C)RAC(b)(7)(C)S/A(b)(7)(C)**COLUMBUS FIELD DIVISION** FIGGS(b)(7)(C)RAC(b)(7)(C)MEXICO COUNTRY PERSONNEL MEXICO COUNTRY OFFICE ATTACHÉ(b)(7)(C)Analyst Chief(b) (7)(C) **TIJUANA OFFICE** SSA(b)(7)(C)S/A(b)(7)(C)

JUAREZ OFFICE ssa(b) (7)(C) MONTERREY OFFICE On assignment in support of San Antonio case **HEADQUARTER'S PERSONNEL** FIELD OPERATIONS DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR William McMahon INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS OFFICE CHIEF(b)(7)(C)SSA(b) (7)(C) Unavailable - Personnel Recovery Meeting in VA. SSA(b) (7)(C) Unavailable - out of country FIREARMS OPERATIONS DIVISION CHEF(b) (7)(C) NATIONAL COORDINATOR (b) (7)(C) ssa(b) (7)(C) P/A(b)(7)(C)OFFICE OF STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE AND INFORMATION **DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR Steve Martin** CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION CHIEF (b) (7)(C) CHIEF SPB (b) (7)(C)

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FIST CENTRAL (b) (7)(C)

FIST WEST (b) (7)(C)

USBDC DIRECTOR (b) (7)(C)

USBDC IRS(b) (7)(C)

USBDC IRS(b)(7)(C)

SOUTHWEST BORDER GUNRUNNER CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

March 31, 2011 AT 11:00 A.M. EST

EXCHANGE AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

Outreach

FIST Branch Chief (b) (7)(C) former RAC in Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about a SWB public awareness initiative that he began in TX and now plans to continue on a national level. The initiative consists of two main components:

- Media Relations SWB success stories, yearly press conferences through the Office of the Director, publication of major firearms seizures
- Public Service Announcements Straw purchasing awareness specific to SWB, billboards, broadcasts, and outreach to faith-based groups, colleges, universities and pawn shops

SWB National Coordinator (b) (7)(C) mentioned that he is working with PGA on Gunrunner standard language talking points for supervisors in the field.

RAC (b) (7)(C) (McAllen) said that ATF has visited five universities in the UT system (Rio Grande Valley) to post signage and distribute hand-outs on straw purchasing. In addition, they have been working with the TX DPS to communicate the campaign message to each DMV.

FIELD DIVISION'S MAJOR SWB INVESTIGATIONS

Dallas FD – FIG GS (b) (7)(C) reported that the Division has some good trafficking cases currently and that they are seeing illegal firearms purchases moving to east and west Texas.

Houston FD – S/A(b)(7)(C) (Corpus Christi) stated that Corpus is a transit point for firearms traffickers and that the group is working OCDETF cases with DEA and ICE.

RAC (b) (7)(C) reported on the (b) (7)(A)
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Los Angeles FD – FIG GS (b) (7)(C) spoke of the need for a trafficking statute since USAs are often unwilling to prosecute firearms traffickers. Penalties should be based on frequency and numbers of firearms trafficked.

SSA (b) (7)(C) mentioned increased collaboration with local LE through to the Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC).

Mexico – MCO Attaché (b) (7)(C) said that they have been receiving quite a few requests from the field for Mexico seizure reports, particularly from the HFD. (b) (7)(C) asked that divisions give a couple of months notice when requesting MCO to view and photograph seized weapons for court.

(b) (7)(C) also mentioned that there is a misconception in Mexico that the firearm used to kill ICE agent Jaime Zapata is linked to ATF's Fast and Furious case.

Analyst Chief (b) (7)(C) reported that members of the MCO and the Firearms Technology Branch reviewed 425 firearms, which were seized in Reynosa, Tamaulipas, on November 6, 2008. The seizure is associated with (b) (7)(C) This is the first time ATF has been able to personally view and photograph the firearms. ATF is comparing old traces and resubmitting traces associated with this seizure in order to support prosecutions on both sides of the border. Some of the firearms included four brand new Barrett .50 caliber rifles in their pelican cases and 11 PS90 5.7mm rifles. Of the 11, one had its serial number obliterated and the remaining 10 were signed over to Mexican Air Force personnel assigned at the Santa Lucia Air Force Base in the State of Mexico.

The ATF case number for this seizure event is 164020-09-0001, 11/06/2008 Seizure – Reynosa, Tamaulipas (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(C) reported that SA (b) (7)(C) is working with DEA SIU on the Zapata case and he will reach out to Intel soon.

(b) (7)(C) encouraged the field to send the MCO as much information as possible on ongoing ATF investigations.

(b) (7)(C) also reported that the MCO has responded to every car bombing in Mexico, except one.
(b) (7)(C) and (b) (7)(C) of the USBDC in OSII HQ are able to work high side information on Mexico bombings.

Phoenix FD – Las Cruces RAC (b) (7)(C) reported that he attended a meeting with SAC Newell and Senator Jeff Bingaman to discuss ATF's difficulty in investigating firearms traffickers due to constitutional prohibitions.

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(See 3/25/11 SIR.)

San Francisco FD – Las Vegas RACI(b) (7)(C) provided an update on Operation BROWNE Stalker (7896085-10-0043), in which approximately 30 firearms were trafficked. This investigation began after Mexican authorities raided a "Los Zetas" training camp in Higueras, Nuevo Leon, and recovered 158 firearms. ATF traced the firearms and found [0](3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stal 552)

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Chief (b) (7)(C) suggested that outside agency requests for SWB information be routed to EPIC, which can function as a central clearing house.

Also, divisions with IRS training requests can e-mail (b) (7)(C) and cc (b) (7)(C)

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL

The next call is planned for April 28, 2011, from 11:00 - 1:00 EST. A calendar appointment will be sent to all participants.

SOUTHWEST BORDER GUNRUNNER CONFERENCE CALL

April 28, 2011 AT 11:00 A.M. EST

AGENDA

EXCHANGE AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

- FOLLOW-UP FROM 3-31-2011 CONFERENCE CALL
- ANY RECENT OR UPCOMING ATF OPERATIONS AND/OR TAKEDOWNS OF TARGETS AFFILLIATED WITH THE LOS ZETAS.
- UPDATING NFORCE CASE FILES TO REFLECT SWB STATUS AND OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION.
- EXAMPLES OF SUCCESSFUL GUNRUNNER CASES FOR INCLUSION INTO FIELD OPERATIONS ANNUAL GUNRUNNER REPORT.
- DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CLONED VEHICLES, TRAILERS AND OTHER ITEMS UTILIZED BY TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS.
- UPDATE OF THE STATUS OF THE REGIONAL CONFERENCE CALLS WITHIN EACH FIELD DIVISION.

FIELD DIVISION REPORTING ON MAJOR SWB INVESTIGATIONS WITH SUBSTANTIVE INFORMATION LEADING TO:

- MULTI-FIELD OFFICE/MULTI-FIELD DIVISION CASE INVESTIGATIONS
- INTERNATIONAL (MEXICO) CASE INVESTIGATIONS
- JOINT AGENCY INVESTIGATIONS
- OCDETF CASES/TITLE III's
- INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT

MEXICO FIREARMS DATA

CURRENT STATUS OF TRACING ISSUES

Subject: Fast & Furious mtg.

Location: Mark's office

Start: 4/26/2011 2:00 PM

End: 4/26/2011 2:30 PM

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Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Required Attendees: Chait, Mark R.; McMahon, William G.; (b) (7)(C)

Resources: Mark's office

Subject: (b) (7)(C)/Phoenix

Start: 4/18/2011 12:00 AM

End: 4/23/2011 12:00 AM

Show Time As: Free

Recurrence: (none)

Subject: Fast & Furious Meeting

Location: 2.S-100

Start: 4/13/2011 2:00 PM

End: 4/13/2011 3:00 PM

Show Time As: Busy

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Required Attendees: Hoover, William J.; (b) (7)(C) .; Chait, Mark R.; McMahon,

William G.; Newell, William D.; (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(C)

Holgate, Rick; (b) (7)(C)

Rubenstein,
Sleve R.; Stinnett, Melanie S.; (b) (7)(C)

; Ford,

Larry W.; Serres, Greg

Optional Attendees: (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(C)

Resources: 2.S-100

From:

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Updated Spreadsheet **Attachments:** Firearms list.docx

(b) (7)(C)

This doc looks great. Thanks for the incredible work. With that said, we have to add one additional column to the big sheet. I mentioned it briefly on Tuesday but we had no chance to get to it and it is going to make the sheet even larger than it already is. Give me a call when you have time and I will explain it but a short version is: We have to create an attachment list at the end of the document and list all "eyes on" firearms that we surveilled for each of the 54 surveillances. The good thing is I already went through all the ROI's and pulled 95% of the firearms. We just have to pull a few more and come up with a simple way to list them in the sheet. I attached what I did. We can talk about it on Monday. Have a great Easter [DITIC] and [OTTIC] are also as a constant and [OTTIC] and [OTTIC] are also as a constant and [OTTIC] and [OTTIC] are also as a constant and [OTTIC] and [OTTIC] and [OTTIC] are also as a constant and [OTTIC] and [OTTIC] are also as a constant and [OTTIC] are also as a cons

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 7:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) ; Needles, James R. (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Updated Spreadsheet

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From:
To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject:

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In reference to the (b)(7)(C) purchase. A correction was confirmed by SA

SPECIAL AGENT (b) (7)(C)
PROJECT OFFICER
OFFICE OF FIELD OPERATIONS
FIREARMS OPERATIONS DIVISION
CELL (b) (7)(C)
DESK (202) 648(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)

sent Employee/2 April 26, 2011 2:19:23 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE:

(b)(7)(C) where did the converted Suspect Suns files get sent?

(b) (7)(C)

Special Agent
Chief, Law Enforcement Support Branch
National Tracing Center
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
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(304) 260-(b)(7)(C)

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Original Message
From: (b)(7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 2:10 PM
To: (b)(7)(C)

Subject:

(b) (7)(C)

Which drive are you referring to the fast and furious drive?

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 7:50 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

the Suspect Gun stuff was sent down last week and should be on the drive in a readable format. If you can't find it let me know.



(b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Saturday, April 23, 2011 1:07 PM To: (b) (7)(C) .; Newell, William D.

Subject: Re:

Absolutely. We'll be meeting sometime Mon AM to catch up on new letters in last week and some requests from IG. Thanks

(b) (7)(C) , Division Chief Firearms Operations Division 202-648 (b) (7)(C) Cell (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

To: Newell, William D.

Cc: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Sat Apr 23 13:05:17 2011

Subject:

Bill and (b) (7)(C)

Can we find some time on Monday or Tuesday to sit down so I can update you on the Phoenix trip — what was accomplished and what is currently being done. Just want to keep everyone informed. Enjoy your holiday weekend and see you both Monday.

Thanks,



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 11:34 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C)

CC: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: SWB Publication

Let us know if we can lessen the work burden by looping in FTB or some other resources. Also let us know what you need from us to complete the task.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thu Apr 21 11:13:27 2011

Subject: RE: SWB Publication

Thanks one Go ahead and coordinate with Field Ops and make this your priority assignment upon completion of your training class next week. Please keep me up to date on your progress and let me know if any issues or complications arise.

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From: (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 10:25 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: SWB Publication

I would estimate approximately 3 to 5 days of being able to concentrate exclusively on the guide should be enough

time to have it ready to handoff to be translated. There would be additional time needed to replace the text and potentially reformat the guide slightly once the translation is completed.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 10:18 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: SWB Publication

Can you please provide an estimate as to how much time would be required to complete this task?

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2011 10:09 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C) t Subject: RE: SWB Publication

Sure,

Joe's assessment below is accurate: the Mexico Country Office requested the addition of 8-10 more firearms or variations of firearms currently in the guide draft. Many of those firearms will need to be photographed and graphically enhanced in preparation to be added. There are a couple of other graphics and some minor editing of the existing text that will also need to be completed.

No work has been done on the draft for several months pending approval of my assistance.



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2011 12:17 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: SWB Publication

(b) (7)(C)

I realize that you are tied up in training for the remainder of this week and all of next, but when you get a few spare moments, can you please provide an update on the work that remains relative to the SWB Guide that you were working on? Field Ops is anxious to get this wrapped up so that they can get it translated and published. Thanks!

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2011 11:33 AM

To(b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Gang Affiliations

I think we should ask processes the what he has left to do but my understanding is that he has about 6 to 10 more firearms he has to add to the guide to including having to take photos in the vault and adding these photos and descriptions to the guide. Additionally there is some minor editing that must be completed. I am sure I am missing something but processould be able to fill in the gaps.

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From:(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2011 1:22 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: looks like your a go!!

(b) (7)(C)

Senior Special Agent
Fireams Operations Division
202.648 (b) (7)(C) (cell)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 9:10 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) Newell, William D.; Needles, James R.

Subject: Fw: Suspect Gun Spread sheet

Fyi

(b) (7)(C) Division Chief Firearms Operations Division 202-648. Cell (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Mon Apr 18 09:09:06 2011

Subject: Re: Suspect Gun Spread sheet

Yes. This is a product for me and others reviewing the Phoenix case to utilize. We appreciate the extra attention. Thanks

(b) (7)(C) Division Chief Firearms Operations Division 202-648 (b) (7)(C) Cell (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (7)(C)
(c: (b) (7)(C)
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Sent: Mon Apr 18 09:02:45 2011

Subject: Suspect Gun Spread sheet

(b) (7)(C)

Our programmer is out this week (she being the one who sent you the original spreadsheet). We have a retired contractor programmer who comes in tomorrow and who can replicate the first query (and add the recovery information). For consistency's sake, can we delay, until tomorrow, getting you the spreadsheet?



(b) (7)(C)

Special Agent

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 8:27 AM

CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Suspect Guns and Associated Traces for (b) (7)(C)

we are working on it and will get it to you as soon as possible.



(b) (7)(C)

Special Agent

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From: (b) (7 Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:54 PM

To:(b) (7)(C)

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Subject: RE: Suspect Guns and Associated Traces for (b) (7)(C) 785115-10-0004

Thank you. When approved, this report should be emailed to me.(b) (7)(C (Phoenix Division).

As discussed, please include columns with Recovery Date and Recovery Place (city/state or country). THANKS

(b) (7)(C

ATF HQ - Room 6.5.129

Chief, Firearms Operations Division 202.648(b) (7)(c), Cell (

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:22 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Suspect Guns and Associated Traces for (b) (7)(C) 785115-10-0004

S/A (b) (7)(C)

I thought for sure he was still here, however our Branch Chief is out of the office for the day. Your request must be approved by him before I can create and send out a spreadsheet. This will have to wait until Monday morning to be approved. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Thank You,

(b) (7)(C)

Law Enforcement Support Branch Suspect Gun Program Contractor-Research Assistant ATF National Tracing Center 304-260-

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:14 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Suspect Guns and Associated Traces for (b) (7)(C), 785115-10-0004

As discussed, for all "suspect purchasers" in ATF case 785115 10 0004, can we have a listing of all suspect/traced guns like the one attached for purchaser (b) (7)(C)Please place data in alpha order by purchaser, with the guns in order based on date of purchase. It is not necessary to have those guns that were recovered and traced at the top of the list. These can remain in the list in purchase date order.

Can we also add any identifiable purchases/traces for guns that were never entered into "suspect gun"?

THANKS. I owe you big.

(b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2011 3:53 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C) ; (c) (7)(C) ; (d) (7)(C) ; (e) (7)(C) ; (

S/A (b) (7)(C)

Attached is a spreadsheet of the firearms identified in the Suspect Gun database as being purchased by (b) (7)(C) and submitted under ATF case 785115-10-0004.

There were 48 firearms submitted as suspect firearms from (b)(7)(C) purchases and four traces received as recovered crime guns for this investigation.

Please advise if any other details are needed.

(b) (7)(C)

Program Analyst
ATF National Tracing Center
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Martinsburg, WV 25405-9431
(304)260 60700 (800)788-7133 ext. 60 (7)(C)
Fax (800)578-7223

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:56:03 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) ; (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Phoenix FF guns

Attachments: Firearms in NTC by case number.pdf

FYL I have ordered the other report from NTC expect it Monday.

(b) (7)(C)

Chief, Firearms Operations Division ATF HQ - Room 6.S.129 202.648 (b) (7)(C) Cell (b) (7)(C)

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----Original Message----

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 2:53 PM

uo: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Call me please

(b) (7)(C)

Acting Intel Group Supervisor
(602) 776 (b) (7)(C)
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Original Message From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 10:32 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Call me please

Call me or (b)(7)(C) please.

Work room number 202 648 (b) (7)(C)



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From: (b)(7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 1:50 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Pick up in Phoenix

(b) (7)(C)

I'll pick you up at the airport, on Monday. Call me on my cell when you land at (b) (7)(C) It'll be good to see you.

Special Agent (b) (7)(C)

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U.S. Department of Justice - ATF
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Are you available to pick-up at the airport Monday.

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From: (b)(7)(C)

Employee 2
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To: Needles, James R.
Subject:

Jim,
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Sent Employee 2 April 15, 2011 1:39:54 PM

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Subject: FW: Emailing: Firearms list.docx

Attachments: Firearms to query.xlsx

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Sent **Employee 2**April 15, 2011 8:56:52 AM
To: (b)(3) (P.L. 112-55-125 Stat 552)

Subject: FW: Emailing: Firearms list.docx

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I sure hope you can open / access these Illes!! ... the 4/12 & 4/13 recoveries along with the (0,0) P.L. 11285 125 503 552 recoveries (0) (7) (C) found are incorporated into the spreadsheets. Also corrected was the "eyes on" surveillance info for the 5/10/10 purchase/recovery.

Also attached are 2 new spreadsheets:

- 1. Lists out the Surveillances Eyes On purchases w/ recoveries, listing the serial numbers totals tie into the USAO numbers on the original spreadsheet
- 2. A diagram of the 11/25/09 purchase/exchange/taking custody transaction that's created confusion & headaches ~ hopefully it will make things more clear ... as mud!

I'm wandering down to the USAO to catch up with & work with (6)(7)(0) tomorrow

Give a holler if you need anything: (b)(7)(C) (cell)

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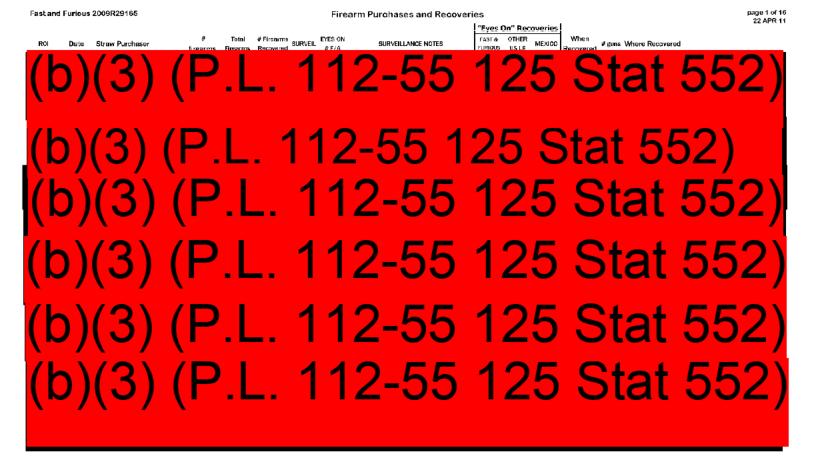
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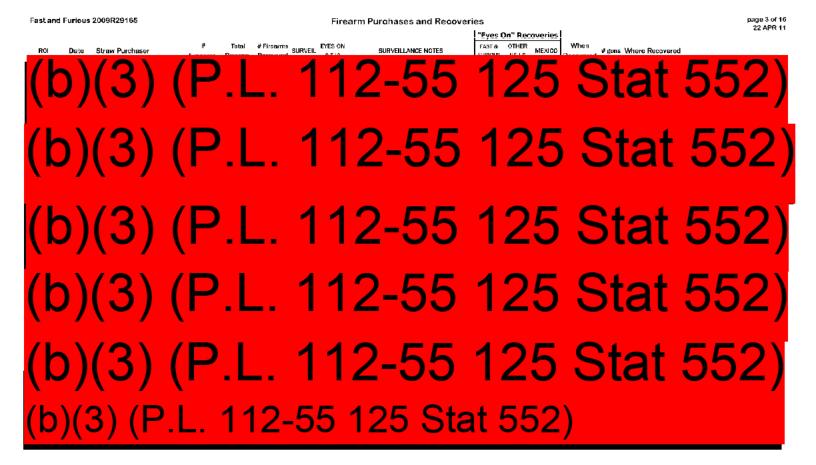
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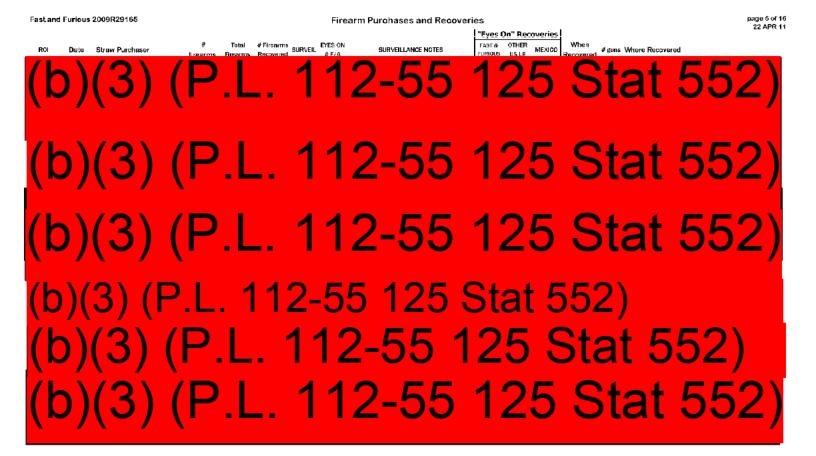
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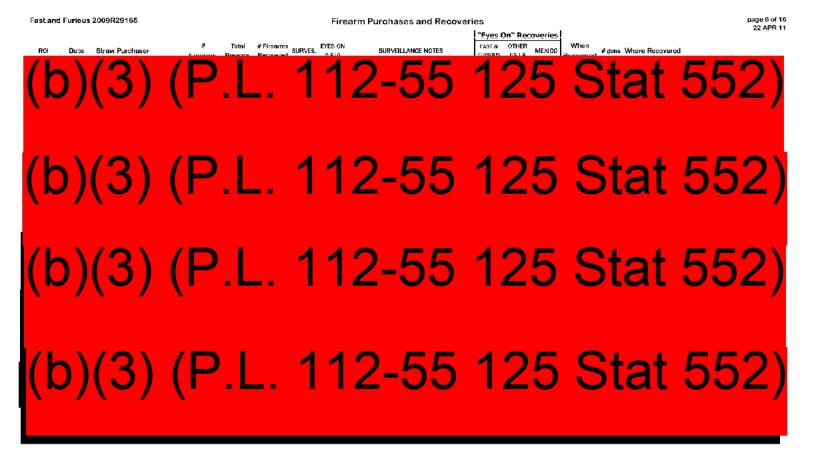


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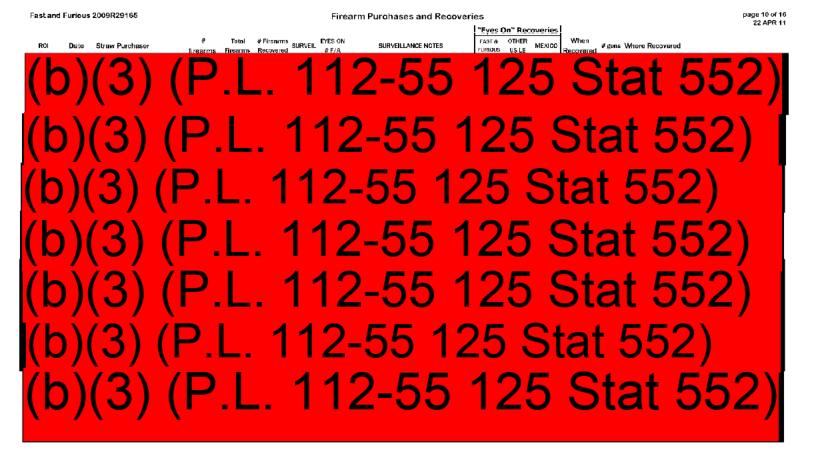


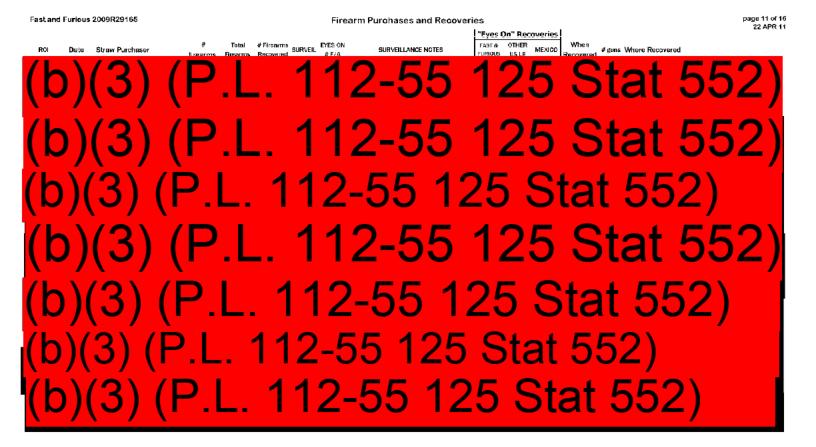
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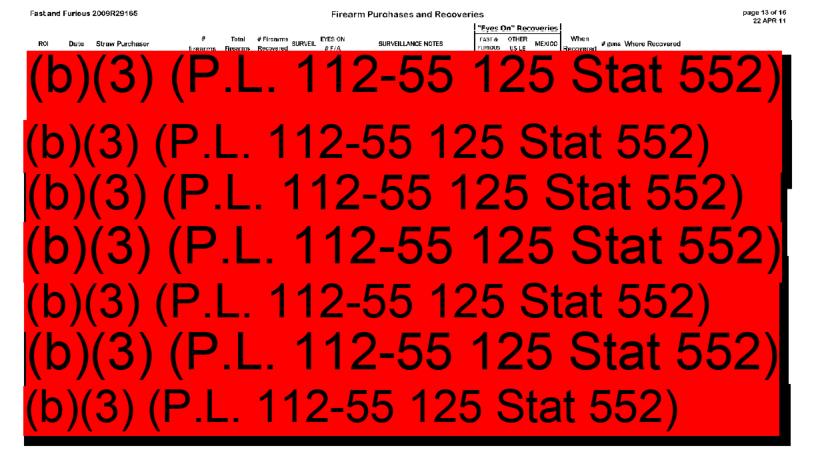
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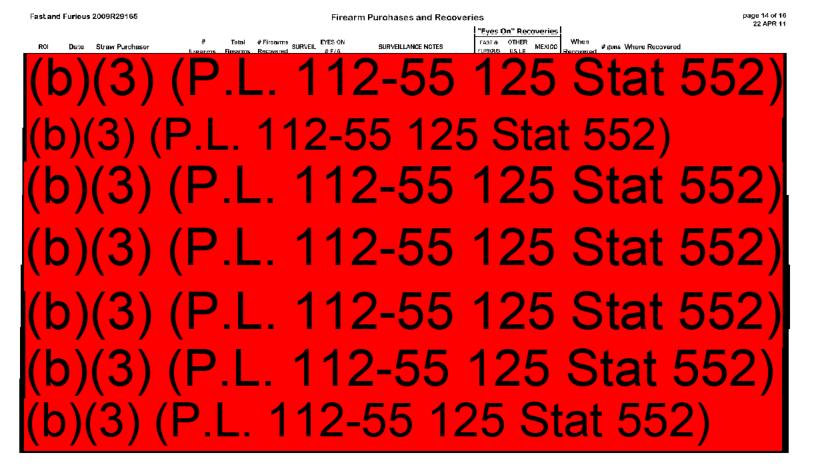




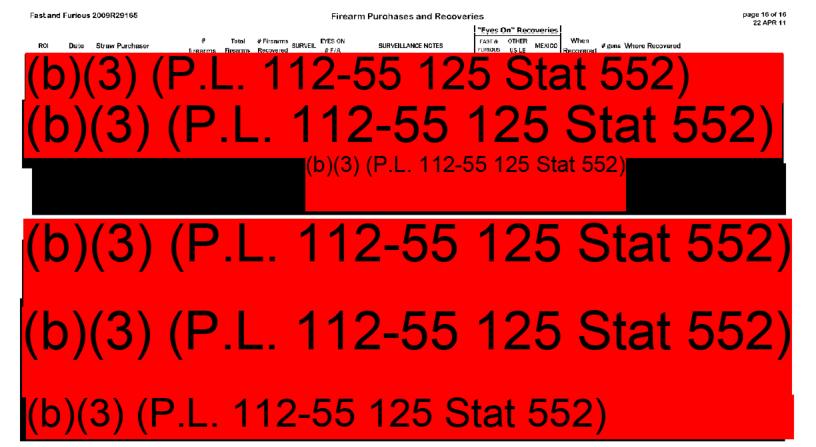
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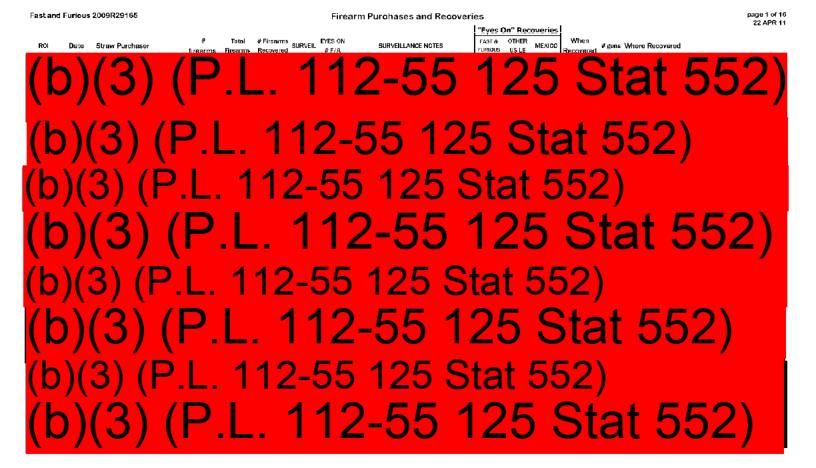
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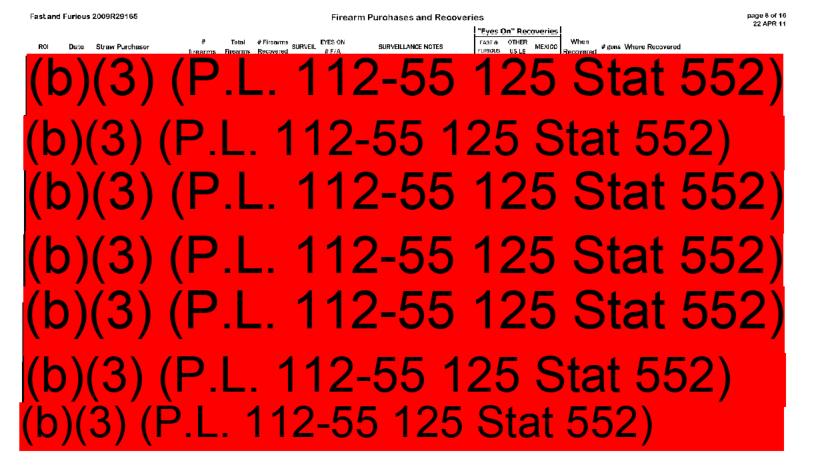
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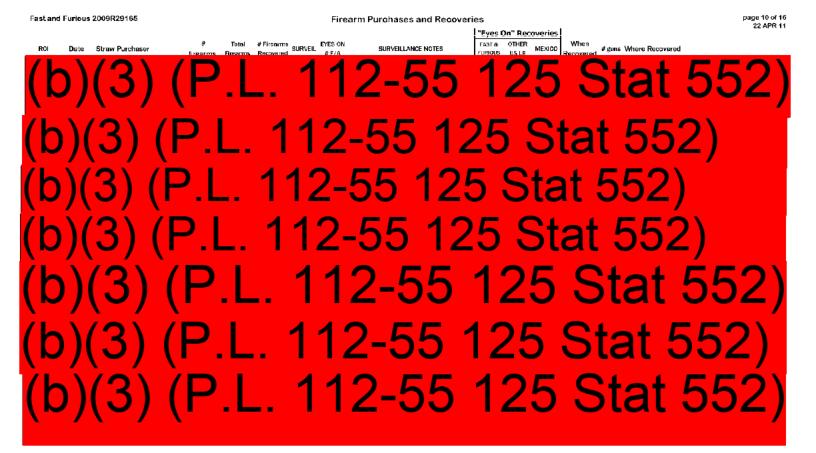
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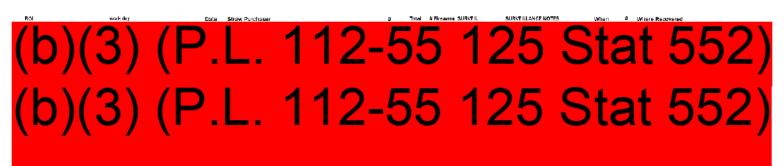
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Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2011 10:53 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) .; (b) (7)(C)

CC: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Supplemental SWB money

Attachments: 1103.24A - Border Security funding outcomes updated 3-24-11.docx

(<mark>b) (7)(C)</mark>this is very helpful for today's meeting.

Thanks,

(b) (7)(C)

ATF National Coordinator Southwest Border/Project Gunrunner

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Subject: RE: Supplemental SWB money

 How many contractors have you hired with the supplemental money and how many are you still planning to hire. 22 bired, 47 total (25 more within 30d)

- What is the technology upgrades you are buying for and what will they do? When will it be bought?
 - Workflow and communications improvements to improve capacity
 - OBR modifications to improve capacity
 - All expenditures to be completed by EOY (FY-11)
- When do you anticipate spending the money as they are tracking by quarter. Before the EOY (FY-11)

For details please see attached.

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Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2011 4:43 PM

To(b) (7)(C) Cc:(b) (7)(C)

Subject: Supplemental SWB money

 $\frac{(b)}{(7)(C)}$ have to be at a meeting at the White House tomorrow to answer questions from OMB.

- 1. How many contractors have you hired with the supplemental money and how many are you still planning to hire.
- 2. What is the technology upgrades you are buying for and what will they do? When will it be bought?
- 3. When do you anticipate spending the money as they are tracking by quarter.

Budget shows that you have spent approx \$1.5 mil so far and have approx 5.2 mil to spend total.

I need this ASAP so I can prepare for tomorrow's meeting at the house.

Thanks(b) (7)(C)

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National Tracing Center

Enforcement Programs and Services (EPS)

March 24, 2011

Subject: Projected Outcomes for the National Tracing Center Division (NTC) spend plan for \$5.8M of emergency surplus funding for border security (H.R. 6080).

Background:

- 1. Under a 2010 Supplemental Appropriations for Border Security, ATF was allocated \$37.5 million for the continued expansion of ATF's Project Gunrunner, and to increase ATF's capacity to complete firearms trace requests related to border cases.
- 2. ATF will allocate \$5.8M to the NTC to increase its capacity to complete firearms trace requests related to border security.
- It is one year funding. The NTC believes that this funding ought to be used in such a way as to acquire benefits beyond the exhaustion of this funding, but recognizes the need for short-term results.
- 4. The intent of the supplemental is to increase capacity at the NTC.
 - a. Capacity is impacted by the following:
 - i. The pace of the process is too slow.
 - ii. The Rolled Throughput Yield (RTY)¹ of the process is too low.
 - b. Expenditures to increase capacity may take the form of:
 - i. Additional labor to increase the scale of the process to improve timeliness;
 - ii. Improvements in the process to increase pace;
 - iii. Improvements in process quality to increase efficiency and RTY.

Expenditures and Outcomes:

Workflow and communications improvements total expenditure \$648,154

- a. The NTC has transferred \$448,154 to OSTCA-ISD:
 - i. Integrate the telephone service and faxing capability into the workflow and improve work distribution to increase the process pace.

¹ RTY is a measure of the number of entities produced right, the first time. Capacity is lost when errors are made and personnel have to go back and re-do work or they spend time generating defective entities. This is a quality-related problem. The NTC expends capacity on (a) rechecks (going back up the chain of distribution to verify dispositions provided by FFL, (b) working through gun description errors; (c) correcting failures in setting indicators and so forth to ensure proper and complete documentation of the trace results to ensure effective trace data analysis of the aggregate data.

ii. Add a checklist system to improve quality and throughput within the workflow to improve the process quality.

- iii. Provide additional training to selected personnel on the modeling and simulation module within the workflow system to provide for future improvements in the process.
- b. The NTC will transfer an estimated \$200,000 to OM for Avaya telephone equipment to support the integration of the telephone system into the workflow using call center technology.

c. Outcome:

- This will increase the pace of the Retail Call Section² by 25 percent allowing the NTC to obtain an additional 120 dispositions per day (nearly 30,000 per year), which is the equivalent of adding 4.4 FTE to the Retail Call Section.
- ii. The checklist system will reduce rechecks and by at least 15 percent, which is the equivalent of adding 2 FTE per year with a substantial improvement in quality of all trace results (by at least 4 percent).

2. OBR modifications total expenditure\$1,241,799.25

- a. The NTC has expended \$291,799.25 to Sage and the NTC will expend an estimated \$950,000 to OSTCA (for purchase of hardware/software and equipment) to:
 - To acquire three new high-speed scanners to replace nine HP990d³ scanners used for out-of-business records processing to improve the pace and efficiency of the process.
 - ii. To replace current indexing software, which is no longer supported by the vendor, with new software that has an auto-indexing feature to improve efficiency of the process and increase the pace of firearms tracing.

b. Outcome:

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- i. The three high-speed scanners will replace the existing nine HP990d, allowing 6 FTE (scanner operators) to be re-allocated to another task.
- ii. Auto-indexing will increase the NTC capacity by an estimated 4 FTE the first year, doubling annually to about 40 FTE within ten years. Autoindexing will reduce trace process time by 40 minutes per OBR disposition (obtained from those records auto-indexed, which will grow

² The Retail Call Section contacts retail level Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL) by telephone to obtain the disposition of firearms.

³ The NTC will maintain one remaining HP990d to retain the ability to convert paper records to microfilm to continue to support NFA Branch, Federal Firearms Licensing Center and Explosives Licensing Branch – for whom the NTC continues to microfilm records.

by 1.2 million per month). The NTC has had as many as 22 contractors allocated to indexing records for retrieval in the trace process. We currently are unable to allocate any personnel to indexing because of trace volume. Consequently, digitized records can only be retrieved by FFL number (not be individual firearm). Thus, without indexing, retrieval of the digital images takes as long as reviewing microfilm (an average of 45 minutes per disposition), rather than 5 minutes where records are retrieved via an FFL number and a firearm description. An auto-indexing process eliminates the need to allocate anyone to indexing and makes retrieval of these records nine times faster. Fully one-third of all traces require at least one disposition from out-of-business records. The NTC conservatively estimates that a minimum of 12,500 traces will involve records that are auto-indexed in the3 first year, doubling each year thereafter (as the data set is populated).

3. Acquisition of labor – quality management and tracing, total expenditure \$3,770,578

- a. The NTC has expended \$1,806,415 and will expend \$1,964,163 to Sage for:
 - i. An Operational Engineering capability to design process improvements that can be implemented internally.
 - ii. A Quality Control Specialist (preferably with 6-Sigma background) to improve our quality control processes.
 - iii. A G360 programming capability to configure G360 workflow system and Insight modeling and simulation software⁴ to incorporate improvements developed by the Operational Engineer and Quality Control Specialist.
 - iv. A Quality Assurance Specialist and additional firearms expertise to update the Weapons Edit table in the Firearms Tracing System (FTS) in order to improve firearm validations on trace requests⁵ and improve front-end quality assurance.
 - v. Additional ISO9000 expertise to maintain the Quality Management System as the process improvements are implemented and to move towards certification.
 - vi. About 42 additional contractors for allocation to the firearms tracing to increase the scale of the process and improve timeliness. Currently 22

⁴ The G360 software suite – called eTOWRS - can be modified by NTC administrators – we don't need to have programming contracts and go thru the whole OST System Development Life-Cycle (SDLC) to adjust the workflow. That is why we bought it – so we could have the flexibility to make changes in the workflow ourselves. But its time consuming and we only have a few personnel who know how and those people have a lot of other responsibilities. ⁵ The primary a reason a firearms trace fails is because of an invalid firearms description. eTrace and FTS have validation criteria to improve the firearms descriptions. These validations require constant additions. The NTC has

been unable to allocate any manpower to this task in recent years.

have been hired and trained; the remainder will come on board within 30 days.

b. Outcome:

- i. Improvement in effectiveness, efficiency, quality and timeliness of the firearms trace process.
- ii. About 47 additional contractors to improve the timeliness of response during the year.

4. Other expenditures \$124,000

- The NTC allocated \$38,000 to OSTCA-ISD for security clearances for new personnel.
- b. The NTC allocated \$60,000 to OST-ISD for three additional Access 2000 sites to support firearms tracing and increase the pace of the process by eliminating the need to contact these FFL directly.
- c. The NTC allocated \$26,000 to Access 2000 to eliminate system merger problem to improve tracing capability.

Summary of outcomes:

The expenditure of the \$5.8M at the NTC will result in the addition of 47 personnel in the short term expanding the NTC's OBR tracing capacity by about 380 to 400 dispositions per day; with new technology being added (by the end of FY-11) that expands capacity by the equivalent of 16 personnel upon completion. Long-term benefits include an extensively improved OBR tracing process for substantially faster retrieval of OBR estimated to be the equivalent savings of adding 4 FTE annually as data is accumulated.

For questions, please contact the originating author, (b)(7)(C) Chief, National Tracing Center Division, at (304) 260 (b)(7)(C) or (b)(7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)
Sent Employee/2 April 26, 2011 2:10:27 PM
To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject:

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Which drive are you referring to the fast and furious drive?

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 7:57 AM

To:(b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re:

Thanks (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tue Apr 26 07:50:28 2011

Subject:

(b)(7)(C) the Suspect Gun stuff was sent down last week and should be on the drive in a readable format. If you can't find it let me know.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Saturday, April 23, 2011 12:47 PM

 T_0 : (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Updated Spreadsheet **Attachments:** Firearms list.docx

(b) (7)(C

This doc looks great. Thanks for the incredible work. With that said, we have to add one additional column to the big sheet. I mentioned it briefly on Tuesday but we had no chance to get to it and it is going to make the sheet even larger than it already is. Give me a call when you have time and I will explain it but a short version is: We have to create an attachment list at the end of the document and list all "eyes on" firearms that we surveilled for each of the 54 surveillances. The good thing is I already went through all the ROI's and pulled 95% of the firearms. We just have to pull a few more and come up with a simple way to list them in the sheet. I attached what I did. We can talk about it on Monday. Have a great Easter (D) (T)(C) and (D) (T)(C) go make a phone call"

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 7:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) Needles, James R.; (b) (7)(C)

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Subject: Updated Spreadsheet

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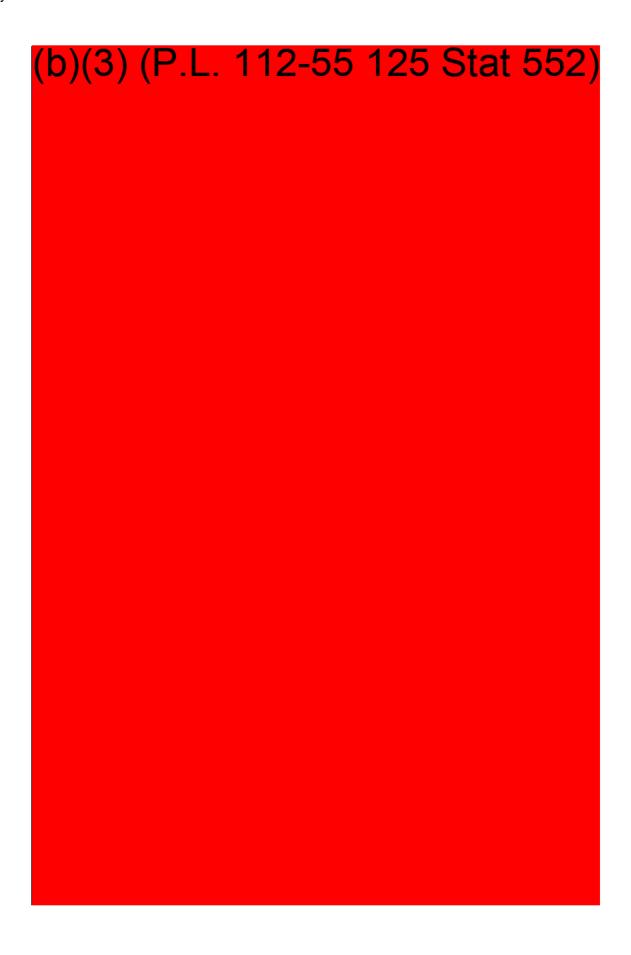
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Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 8:45 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Updated Spreadsheet

Not sure yet but I have that feeling

From: (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Apr 22 20:39:56 2011 Subject: RE: Updated Spreadsheet

You're welcome. Glad you made it back safely. Not glad you are still working though. It's 8:30 out there. See you soon as in you are coming back? Yea for us but ugh for you.

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Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 5:26 PM

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 8:36 PM

 $T_0:(b) (7)(C)$

Subject:

(b) (7)(C)

Just sent you the DCN request. Sorry it is late. I also left a few drop downs blank because I was not sure about proper coding. I will send you the voucher after I get the approval back from your side.

Thanks (b) (7)(C) and be safe,



SPECIAL AGENT (b) (7)(C)
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 T_0 :(b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Updated Spreadsheet

(b) (7)(C)

Thanks,

Can you give me the F@F case number?

Thanks,

(b) (7)(C

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 7:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) .; Needles, James R.; (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Updated Spreadsheet

Special Agent (b) (7)(C)
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
Phoenix - Group VII
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(b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 5:06 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Updated Version of Spreadsheet

Thanks agair (b) (7)(C) See you soon

From:(b) (7)(C)
To (b) (7)(C)
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Cc: (b) (7)(C)

l; (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Apr 22 16:45:37 2011 Subject: Updated Version of Spreadsheet

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(b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2011 12:53 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW:



I was wondering if there has been any additional talk of having the Gunrunner VTC lately? I met with \(\frac{100 \text{VTC}}{100 \text{C}} \) a few weeks ago and gave him two course outlines I put together for the VTC. \(\frac{100 \text{VTC}}{100 \text{C}} \) said he would meet with you to discuss so we can be ready to go if that VTC should ever happen. Could you let me know if we have selected a course content outline and would you like me to begin reaching out to the agreed upon participants to produce their respective presentations? I do not want to be caught off guard if they decide to have a VTC last second but if that VTC is off the table at this point, we can put it to rest for now.

Thanks (1977)



From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2011 8:26 AM

To:(b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re:

Will do. I'll pass this on to to (b) (7)(C) definitely needs to be contacted for this, but apparently he's in Colombia this week. More to follow....

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From: (b) (7)(C)
To:(b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Mon Feb 14 17:08:13 2011

Subject: Gentlemen.

When you guys get back from your rendezvous out in Area 51, (a) (7)(C) would like us to get together and work out details as to what "key points" each presenter would be covering at the Gunrunner VTC so that we (program office) can approve or redirect the messages as necessary. I can reach out to OSII, IAO, and Legal this week to get more detailed agendas if these are the directorates we would like to go with. (b) (7)(C) already knows he is in. Just let me know.

Thanks,



SPECIAL AGENT (b) (7)(C)

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Employee 2 1252

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:50 PM To:(b) (7)(C) (USAAZ) 6

Subject:

(b) (7)(C)

Can you e-mail me your cell number? I will be out in Phoenix starting Monday and I would like to meet up with you if possible.

Thanks (b) (7)(C)



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:49 PM

To:(b) (7)(C)

Subject:

(b) (7)(C)

Can you e-mail me your cell number? I will be out in Phoenix starting Monday and I would like to meet up with you if possible.

Thanks (b) (7)(C)



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 1:59 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Pick up in Phoenix

Thanks [600] I really appreciate it. I get in around 12:30. See you then.

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 1:50 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Pick up in Phoenix



Special Agent (b) (7)(C)

Division Operations Officer
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From: Needles, James R.

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 9:32 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW:



Are you available to pick-up Joe at the airport Monday.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 5:15 AM

To: Needles, James R.

Subject:



Here are my flight details for next week.

Name: Meal Preference: standard Flight Details | Roundtrip | Government Fare Selected for Entire Trip DCA to PHX - Non-stop Modify this flight | Remove this flight Mon, Apr 18 10:30 AM - 12:28 PM Washington, DC (OCA) to https://wc Phoenix, AZ (PHX) **US Airways** Flight 267 Seat 20B Class: Coach ma [m] Online Check-in is available 24 hours before the scheduled departure time. PHX to DCA - Non-stop Modify this flight | Samove this flight Fri, Apr 22 8:47 AM - 4:06 PM Phoenix, AZ (PHX) to 🧟 https://wc Washington, DC (OCA) **US Airways** Flight 44 Seat 22A Class: Coach

Base Airfare: \$1,226.04

Online Check-in is available 24 hours before the scheduled departure time.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 8:15 AM

To: Needles, James R.

Subject:



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Washington, DC (DCA)

US Airways

Flight 44 Seat 22A

Class: Coach

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Online Check-in is available 24 hours before the scheduled departure time.

Base Airfare: \$1,226.04

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Flight Total: \$1,339.40

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent Employee:2v, April 13, 2011 1:50:59 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Emailing: Firearms list.docx

(b) (7)(C)

Sorry, I don't have it in an excel format. It was a cut and paste job from the ROL's.

(b) (7)(C)

----Original Message----From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 1:01 PM

□o: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Emailing: Firearms list.docx

(b) (7)(C)

Do you happen to have this data in excel or just Word? If you do have the data in an excel type format can you send it to me? If not, will convert the data and begin the query.

Thanks.

(b) (7)(C) - Senior IRS

Acting Intel Group Supervisor
(602) 776-(b)(7)(C) - Direct
(602) 776-5519 Fax

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----Original Message----

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 2:15 PM

□: (b) (7)(C)

Cc: Needles, James R.

Subject: Emailing: Firearms list.doex

H[±](b) (7)(C)

Please let me know if you have any questions about the list.

Thanks,

(b) (7)(C)

The message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 10:41 AM

To: Newell, William D. Subject: FW: GRIT Reports

Attachments: Phoenix GRIT Internal Report Editor Reviewed.docx; Phoenix GRIT External Report Editor

Reviewed.docx

Billi,

Here are the "Unofficial" draft copies of the internal and external GRIT reports. Please do not disseminate them at this time due to their unofficial status. We would love to hear your thoughts after you have time to read over them.

Thanks,

(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 10:18 AM

To:(b) (7)(C)
Subject: GRIT Reports

(b) (7)(C)

Here are both the internal and external Phoenix GRIT reports. These reports have been reviewed by our writer editor and are currently in hard copy with DAD McMahon. We are awaiting word to finalize them for release. Thanks, (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(C)

Program Analyst Firearms Operations Division Office of Field Operations Bureau of ATT 202-648 <mark>(B) (T)(C)</mark>

(b) (7)(C)

Em 1294

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 8:10 AM

 $T_0:(b)(7)(C)$

Subject: RE: May 10th, 2010

Nice. Thanks (1) (7)(C) and again sorry for the request. See you on Tuesday.

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 5:56 PM **To:** (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Subject: May 10th, 2010

(b) (7)(C)

I think I got it. (5)(7)(6) said to look at the time stamp on the faxed 4473 from the FFL. (5)(7)(A) were faxed at 20:26-20:32 (roughly 8:30pm) and the (5)(7)(A) firearms were faxed earlier in the day. Thus I believe the firearms highlighted below (5)(7)(A) you are asking about... I verified the serial numbers from the faxed 4473.

Thanks,

(b) (7)(C)

The purchase ROI has the following list of (b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b)(7)(A), (b)(7)(C)(b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b)(7)(A), (b)(7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 5:12 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:

Sorry for this proc. I know you have more important things to do. I appreciate the help.

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 5:11 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW:

I will check further...standby one minute.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 2:10 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re:

1 think its (b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (7)(A)

were faxed around 8ish.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tue Apr 12 16:59:35 2011

Subject: FW:

(b) (7)(A)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 1:58 PM

To:(b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:

(b) (7)(C)

The purchase ROI has the following list of (b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C) (b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C)

(b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (7)(A)

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         (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (
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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 4:53 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW:

I don't know if this answers your question? Do you want/need the serial numbers of the actual $\binom{(b)}{7}\binom{A}{1}$

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 1:38 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re:

(b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C) (b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(A)

(b) (7)(A)

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---- Original Message -----

From: (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tue Apr 12 16:25:24 2011

Subject: RE:

Thank you very much, (b)(7)(A)

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----Original Message-----

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 1:24 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

Checked the reports and 4473's. (b) (7)(A)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 4:58 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:

(b) (7)(C)

The purchase ROI has the following list of (b)(7)(A), (b)(7)(C)

(b) (7)(A)

(b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C)

(b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552), (b) (7)(A)

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 4:53 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW:

I don't know if this answers your question? Do you want/need the serial numbers of the actual (b)(7)(A)

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(b) (7)(A)

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To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tue Apr 12 16:25:24 2011

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 1:24 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

Checked the reports and 4473's. (b) (7)(A)

Employee 2 1304

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 3:50 PM

 $T_0:(b) (7)(C)$ USAAZ) 6 Subject: RE: recovery spreadsheet

Sorry (b) (7)(C) additionally, Jim Needles from Phoenix said that their intel group should be completed with that data request very quickly. He is checking on it now.

From: (b) (7)(C) (USAAZ) 6 [mailto (b) (7)(C) Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 2:50 PM

Subject: recovery spreadsheet Employee 2 1305

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 3:49 PM

 $T_0:(b) (7)(C)$ JSAAZ) 6 Subject: RE: recovery spreadsheet

Thanks (b) (7)(C) and I may see you next week. I will be out there Mon thru Friday.

(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C) (USAAZ) 6 [mailto(b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 2:50 PM
To: (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(C) (USAAZ) 6
Subject: recovery spreadsheet

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 3:43 PM

 $T_0: (b) (7)(C)$

Subject: RE: May 10, 2010

(b) (7)(C)

In the ROI it does not distinguish between (b) (7)(A) you guys know which ones on the list(b) (7)(A)

Do

Additionally, I will see you Tuesday. Thanks for the suggestion.

From (b)(7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 1:55 PM

To:(b) (/)(C)
Subject: May 10, 2010

(b) (7)(C)

We believe (b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(A), (b) (7)(C)

Thanks I hope this helps,

(b) (7)(C)

Group Supervisor Phoenix Group VII

(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 8:20 AM

 T_0 : (b) (7)(C)

CC: (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

(b) (7)(C)

Thanks (b) (7)(C) and please feel free to give me a call at 202 648 (17)(C) if you have any questions,

(b) (7)(C)

SPECIAL AGENT (b) (7)(C)
PROJECT OFFICER
OFFICE OF FIELD OPERATIONS
FIREARMS OPERATIONS DIVISION
CELL (b) (7)(C)
DESK (202) 648(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(C)
Sent Employee, 2 April 11, 2011 5:14:50 PM 1308

To: (b) (7)(C)

CC: Needles, James R.

Subject: Emailing: Firearms list.docx

Attachments: Firearms list.docx

ні **(b) (7)(С)**

Please let me know if you have any questions about the list.

Thanks,

(b) (7)(C)

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(b)(3) (P.L. 112-55 125 Stat 552)

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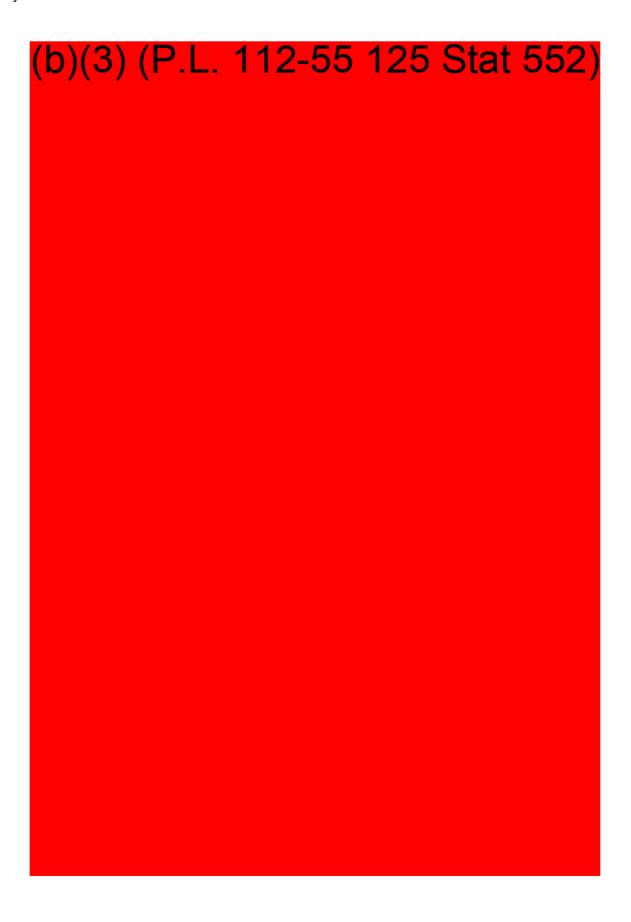
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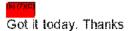


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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 29, 2011 10:13 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re:



From: (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Apr 29 15:28:46 2011

Subject: RE:

Heft a follow up voice mail message to (b) (7) (C) She is in charge of those here in Phoenix.

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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 29, 2011 11:14 AM

To: (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re:

No worries (6) (7)(C) I have not received anything as of today

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From: (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Apr 29 13:00:38 2011

Subject: RE:



Sorry for the delay in responding how are you sitting on this?

Thanks,



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Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 5:22 AM

To: (b) (7)(C) Subject: RE:



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Sent: Monday, April 25, 2011 12:25 PM

To:(b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE:



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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, April 28, 2011 3:07 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: (2) Discs being sent ...

Thanks<mark>® (7)C-</mark> no worries. Also the email you sent yesterday did not have an attachment

From: (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tue Apr 26 15:31:04 2011 **Subject**: (2) Discs being sent ...

... to you this afternoon. Of course, they're encrypted with GERS GERS? Innimmm ... does that stand for: Getting Enraged Really Soon - particularly with all these confounded PASSWORDSIIII Doh! LOL

Speaking of Passwords ...(b)(7)(E)

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Yup! The "KISS" principle: Keep It Simple, Stupid! LOL

With the so-called "up-grade" to our computers came an email system that goes out of its way to screw up the formatting / punctuation (GERS ha ha ha ha ha) ... so, if you have trouble reading any of this, give me a call ...

(b) (7)(C)

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IRS-Criminal Investigation 1818 E Southern Ave, Ste 1.5A Mesa, Arizona 85204-5230 (480) 503 ^(b) (7)(C) desk (b) (7)(C) cell

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 5:47 PM

To:(b) (7)(C)
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From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 4:45 PM

To: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Updated Spreadsheet

Attachments: Firearm purchases - per date w recover xlsx

Spreadsheet as requested.

From: (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 7:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(C) Needles, James R.; (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Updated Spreadsheet

Special Agent (b) (7)(C)

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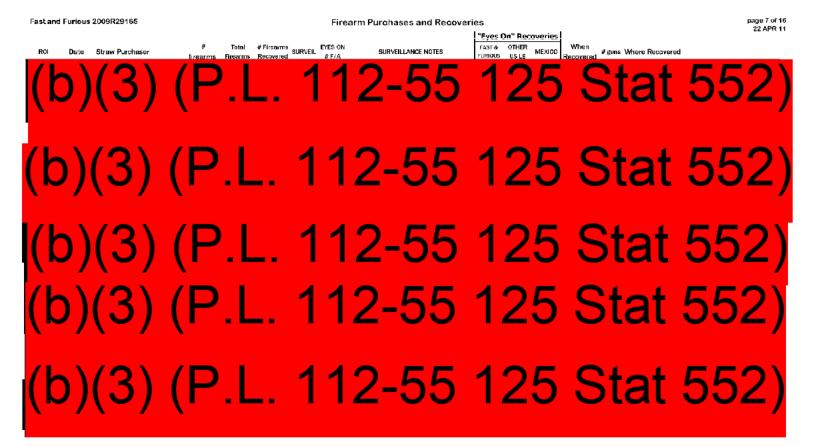
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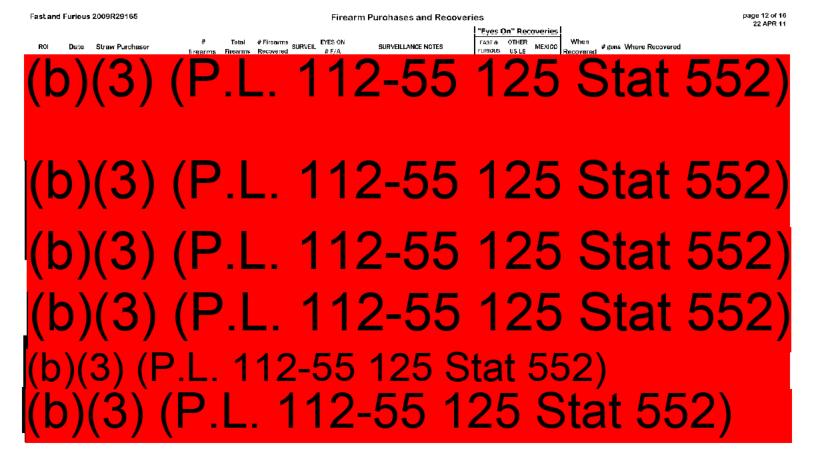
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