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From:

Hoover, William J. (ATF)

Sent:

Tuesday, July 05, 2011 12:49 PM

To:

Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)

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Melson, Kenneth E. (ATF); Sarnacki, Jeffrey P. (ATF)

Subject:

FW: Concerns regarding my testimony before Congress in "Operation Fast and Furious".

Matt.

Another for discussion at 2pm.

Billy

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From: Hoover, William J.

Sent: Thursday, June 30, 2011 4:13 PM To: Melson, Kenneth E.; Sarnacki, Jeffrey P.

Subject: FW: Concerns regarding my testimony before Congress in "Operation Fast and Furious".

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Billy

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From: Chait, Mark R.

Sent: Wednesday, June 29, 2011 9:01 PM

To: Hoover, William J.

Subject: Fw: Concerns regarding my testimony before Congress in "Operation Fast and Furious".

Fyi

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From: Brandon, Thomas E.

To: Chait, Mark R.; McMahon, William G.

Sent: Wed Jun 29 20:29:17 2011

Subject: FW: Concerns regarding my testimony before Congress in "Operation Fast and Furious".

Mark/Bill,

I'll call you guys tomorrow morning.

Tom

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From: Anarumo, Joseph A.

Sent: Wednesday, June 29, 2011 10:51 AM

To: Brandon, Thomas E.

Subject: FW: Concerns regarding my testimony before Congress in "Operation Fast and Furious".

Sir, wanted to push this your way, I have spoken to Pete about this and this is in no way to be viewed as a demand letter. He is just concerned about the current state of affairs.

Regards,

Joe

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From: ATF

Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2011 5:56 PM

To: Anarumo, Joseph A.

Subject: Concerns regarding my testimony before Congress in "Operation Fast and Furious".

I am forwarding this correspondence as a dedicated employee and group supervisor in the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, who has been placed in a situation which now leaves me concerned for my career, as well as for any potential advancement opportunities that may arise.

As you know, on June 15th, 2011, I was compelled by a congressional subpoena to provide testimony in the inquiry that was initiated by the Chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. I provided truthful testimony, as required by law, but also as mandated by my duty to ATF. I was also compelled to make truthful statements to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Inspector General in regards to this matter, that do not paint a pretty picture for the former command staff at the Phoenix Field Division

In my testimony, I made references to what I believed to be serious failures of leadership by the former Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of the <u>Phoenix Field Division William Newell</u>, Assistant Special Agent in Charge George Gillett, and <u>ATF</u> These failures of leadership included:



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I have 25 years of law enforcement experience, and have until this point enjoyed a very good reputation within the law enforcement communities in which I have worked. I have had the honor to work with some of the finest agents that ATF has in its ranks, and had the privilege of working with some of the finest prosecutors employed by the United States Department of Justice. I have worked on numerous complex cases, in which I put many armed criminals in prison, and in quite a few instances put them in jail for life. I also had the distinct honor, on my last case while assigned to the New York Field Division, of working to have two men who were wrongfully accused of murder- freed. One of those men, Lacey Little, was in jail awaiting trial for a murder he did not commit. The other,

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 Lawrence Fowler, had been convicted by a jury and had spent over 10 years in prison based upon a misidentification. I freed those men using the same investigative tools that I had used to put many criminals in jail. DP
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DP I was forced to testify before congress, and to provide testimony under oath to the Office of the Inspector General. DP

I would be willing to discuss this in person, if that would be of interest to any of the parties in the decision making process.

I thank you in advance for your time and consideration in this matter.

ATF

Supervisory Special Agent

Phoenix I Field Office & Yuma Satellite Office

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