
From: Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City)
To: Breuer, Lanny A.
Sent: 3/9/2011 2:58:49 PM
Subject: RE: Urgent request for TPs on Fast & Furious
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We're still trying to get clearance on SOMETHING! Below is as anodyne as we think you can get and still be useful. We're working with Laura Sweeney to get this cleared. Your advice and guidance are always appreciated.

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From: Feeley, John D (Mexico City)
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 1:49 PM
To: Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City); Williams, James H (Mexico City); Featherstone, Alex (Mexico City)
Subject: FW: Urgent request for TPs on Fast & Furious

*John Feeley
Deputy Chief of Mission
Mission Mexico*

From: Newell, William D. [mailto:William.D.Newell@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 1:30 PM
To: Feeley, John D (Mexico City)
Subject: RE: Urgent request for TPs on Fast & Furious

Pushing hard.

From: Feeley, John D (Mexico City) [mailto:FeeleyJD@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 12:28 PM
To: Tracy.Schmalder@SMOJMD.USDOJ.gov; Laura.Sweeney@SMOJMD.USDOJ.gov; Featherstone, Alex (Mexico City)
Cc: Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City); Williams, James H (Mexico City); Thomasson, Scot L.; ATF; Newell, William D.
Subject: Re: Urgent request for TPs on Fast & Furious

+ Bill Newell ATF.

Bill were getting killed down here. Need ATF ok on these pts asap.

This message has been sent via BlackBerry

From: Schmaler, Tracy (SMO) <Tracy.Schmaler@usdoj.gov>
To: Sweeney, Laura (SMO) <Laura.Sweeney2@usdoj.gov>; Featherstone, Alex (Mexico City)
Cc: Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City); Feeley, John D (Mexico City); Williams, James H (Mexico City); Thomasson, Scot L. (ATF) <Scot.L.Thomasson@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] ATF
Sent: Wed Mar 09 13:20:06 2011
Subject: RE: Urgent request for TPs on Fast & Furious

We're not going to be able get these in at this point.

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I'd want to hear from ATF on the other points below

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From: Sweeney, Laura (SMO)
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 2:12 PM
To: 'FeatherstoneA@state.gov'
Cc: 'PascualC@state.gov'; 'FeeleyJD@state.gov'; 'williamsjha@state.gov'; Schmaler, Tracy (SMO)
Subject: Re: Urgent request for TPs on Fast & Furious

Adding Tracy and will get right back to you.

From: Featherstone, Alex (Mexico City) [mailto:FeatherstoneA@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 01:59 PM
To: Sweeney, Laura (SMO)
Cc: Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City) <PascualC@state.gov>; Feeley, John D (Mexico City) <FeeleyJD@state.gov>; Williams, James H (Mexico City) <williamsjha@state.gov>
Subject: Urgent request for TPs on Fast & Furious

Laura --

Thanks for the announcement below of the Attorney General's press conference.

We continue to get trounced as the Mexican media now characterize Fast & Furious as an ATF operation specifically designed to smuggle weapons into Mexico without the GOM's consent or knowledge. Mexican legislators are in an uproar as well.

The Ambassador asked if you can (1) get into AG Holder's talking points for today's press conference and (2) if not (it may be too late and AG may want to try to keep the focus on the other announcement) if you clear these for our use in Mexico. Today's press conference will give us a logical hook to use these and it would help us hugely.

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Thanks -- Alex

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From: Sweeney, Laura (SMO) [mailto:Laura.Sweeney2@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 12:00 PM
To: Williams, James H (Mexico City); Featherstone, Alex (Mexico City)
Cc: Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City)
Subject: FW: ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER AND OTHER JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TO ANNOUNCE SIGNIFICANT LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Hi guys – here is the advisory that was just issued to our reporters.

From: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 12:56 PM
To: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)
Subject: ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER AND OTHER JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TO ANNOUNCE SIGNIFICANT LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS



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*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

**ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER AND OTHER JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS
TO ANNOUNCE SIGNIFICANT LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS**

WASHINGTON – Attorney General Eric Holder and other Department of Justice officials will hold a press conference **TODAY, MARCH 9, 2011, at 3:00 P.M. EST** to announce significant law enforcement actions targeting members and associates of the Barrio Azteca criminal enterprise. Attorney General Holder will be joined by Assistant Attorney General Lanny A. Breuer of the Criminal Division, FBI Executive Assistant Director Shawn Henry and Administrator Michele Leonhart of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

WHO: Attorney General Eric Holder
Assistant Attorney General Lanny A. Breuer of the Criminal Division

FBI Executive Assistant Director Shawn Henry
DEA Administrator Michele Leonhart

WHAT: Press conference

WHEN: **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2011**
3:00 P.M. EST

WHERE: Department of Justice
7th Floor Press Conference Room
950 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C.
OPEN PRESS

NOTE: All media must present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver's license) as well as valid media credentials. Media must enter the department at the visitor's entrance on Constitution Avenue between Ninth and Tenth Streets. Media may begin arriving at 2:00 P.M. EST and cameras must be pre-set by 2:30 P.M. EST. Press inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to the Office of Public Affairs at 202-514-2007.

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