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[ATF]

I just want to echo Billy's comments on behalf of the DAG's shop. We really appreciate all your assistance (and all of Mark C's help) with responding to Senator Grassley's latest letter and with briefing the Senate Judiciary staff earlier today. We hear that you knocked it out of the park, and we are grateful for all your help.

Thanks,

Brad

From: Hoover, William J. (ATF)
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[ATF]

Would you please provide a response to the following point from Senator Grassley's letter from yesterday?

According to the whistleblowers, at least one gun dealer wanted to stop participating in sales like those to [ATF] sometime around October 2009. However, the ATF allegedly encouraged the dealer to continue selling to suspected traffickers and asked the dealer to forward information about the sales to the Bureau.

I know we discussed this upon your return from the briefing. I would just like for you to put the comments in a narrative so that we can forward to ODAG.

Thank you for your work on this issue for the past week. I greatly appreciate the manner in which you conduct business. I hope you know that you are an integral part of this team and we would be in a world of hurt without you!

Thank you again [ATF]

Billy

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