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Subject: FW: Information on Fast and Furious

I sent this to SRE and CISEN as indicated below. All of this has been cleared with ATF. If there are other GOM counterparts who need to know this, please provide them with the information.

All of the information is on points of contact and not the case, except for the link to a previous press release.

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To: [redacted] **State/Privacy**
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At your request, I am forwarding the following information from ATF on when GOM personnel were briefed on Fast and Furious.

The [redacted] **State** was briefed by the ATF regional director in Phoenix in December 2009, when the case first began to develop. About every month after that the ATF Regional director briefed him on the status.

On December 3, 2010 at a "GC Armas" meeting in Phoenix, the case agent and supervisor briefed **State**

On December 15, 2010 ATF again briefed **State** **State** in Mexico City.

State went to Phoenix for the arrests under Fast and Furious on January 25. ATF included them in the operational briefing the day prior to arrests.

UEITA prosecutors were allowed to interview arrested individuals and they obtained one confession. The **State** rep was present for all interviews conducted by UEITA of the arrested persons.

On January 25, the US Embassy issued the following press release on the arrests and the case.

http://mexico.usembassy.gov/boletines/sp110125_Drogasyarmas.html

On March 4, the regional ATF director briefed **State** on the case by phone.

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