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Monty-

Wanted to let you know that we're getting more and more questions from the media and others about the "Project Gunrunner" controversy.

I was on FOX News earlier today with Wayne LaPierre from the NRA discussing this topic. I tried to stress the need to get a Director for ATF in place soon and give ATF more tools to fight gun trafficking.

Here is a link to today's broadcast: http://mms.tveyes.com/transcript.asp?StationID=130&DateTime=3%2F10%2F2011+11%3A39%3A33+AM&Term=Brady+Campaiqn&PlayClip=TRUE

We're considering following up the NRA's recent request for hearings with a suggestion that any hearings being considered focus not just on "Project Gunrunner" but on how best to stop gun trafficking to Mexico as well as cities in this country.

If you have any background or suggestions that might help us when we comment on these issues, please let me know.

Also, please let the Attorney General know that I appreciated his comments to the U.S.Conference of Mayors leadership session, and to me, on February 25.

Let me know if we can be of any help in dealing with any of the issues discussed then as well as at our meeting at DOJ on February 8.

Thanks,

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