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Attachments: ATF CARTEL STRATEGY.docx; Cartel Strategy ADFO Memo 090810 scan[1].pdf; DPC Gunrunner

> Talking Points 111710.docx; Gunrunner WH response Budget Status.docx; National Firearms Trafficking Enforcement Implementation Plan.pdf; National Firearms Trafficking Enforcement

Strategy.pdf; NEWS ARTICLES.docx; sic atf briefing tps.docx; swb counternarcotics strategy09.pdf

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Matt:

As we discussed, I am attaching a series of documents that I think will help provide background and context for the current discussions of Project Gunrunner and Operation Fast and Furious. I am focusing on background and policy documents first.

A good starting point on the complexity of the trafficking and straw purchasing issue is probably a refresher reading of the DOJ Firearms Manual online at: http://doinet.doi.gov/usao/eousa/ole/usabook/fire/index.htm.

The substance of the current allegations regarding Fast and Furious can be found in the Word Document titled "News Articles."

Our initial effort to discuss these allegations with Senator Grassley's staff is in the Word document titled "SJC ATF Briefing TPs." This document outlines the points covered with Sen. Grassley's staff by ATF personnel, folks from OLA, and Jason Weinstein.

The overall USG Southwest Border Counternarcotics Strategy is attached as "SWB Counternarcotics Strategy09." I direct your attention to Chapter 7 on Weapons.

ATF's 2009 reaffirmation of our National Firearms Trafficking Strategy is found in the PDF documents titled "National Firearms Trafficking Enforcement Strategy" and "National Firearms Trafficking Enforcement Implementation Plan" respectively.

The ATF Cartel Strategy and its transmittal memo to the field (September 2010) are attached as "ATF CARTEL STRATEGY" and "Cartel Strategy ADFO Memo 090810" respectively.

Recent updates on the status of Project Gunrunner are found in the Word document titled "DPC Gunrunner Talking Points 111710" and Gunrunner WH Response Budget Status" that provides a good overview of all appropriated funding and utilization of those funds over the history of the project.

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