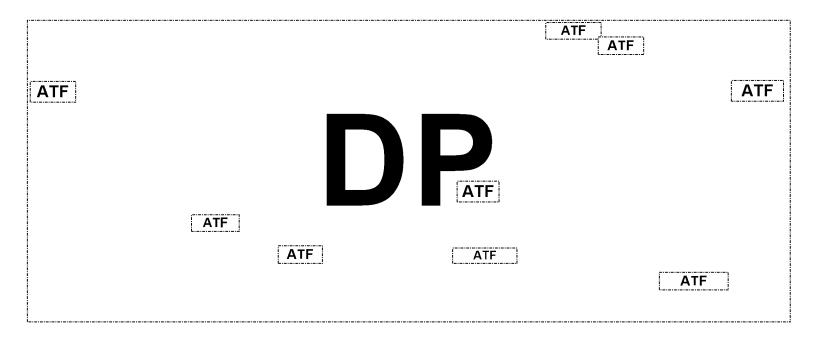
From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) ATF To: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ); (ATF); Hoover, William J. (ATF); Melson, Kenneth E. (ATF); Burke, Dennis (USAAZ); Scheel, Ann (USAAZ); Hernandez, Rachel (USAAZ); Morrissey, Mike (USAAZ); Weinstein, Jason (CRM) CC: Weiner, Robert (ODAG); Burton, Faith (SMO); Gaston, Molly (SMO); Colborn, Paul P (SMO) Sent: 4/6/2011 5:10:40 PM Subject: RE: AZ Proposed Edits to Draft Issa response Thanks, Pat. Matt From: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ) Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 1:01 PM (ATF); Hoover, William J. (ATF); To: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG); ATF Melson, Kenneth E. (ATF); Buike; wentrs works; Ann (USAAZ); Hernandez, Rachel (USAAZ); Morrissey, Mike (USAAZ); Weinstein, Jason (CRM) Cc: Weiner, Robert (ODAG); Burton, Faith (SMO); Gaston, Molly (SMO); Colborn, Paul P (SMO) Subject: AZ Proposed Edits to Draft Issa response Matt and Colleagues: Enclosed in Track Changes are our AZ proposed changes, and I reprinted the text in this email with the proposed changes in red. DP



For your background, here are the details of Avilalls purchases and the Columbus, New Mexico stop that has been made public in part by the New Mexico USAO indictment of the Councilman

On January 14, 2010, in Columbus, New Mexico, (a border town), U.S. Border Patrol agents pulled over a vehicle driven by suspicious driving behavior. In the vehicle they found three AK-47 type riffes purchased by ATF three FN Herstal Five-Seven pistols purchased by ATF on January 9, 2010, from and two Ruger pistols purchased by another. U.S. Border Patrol agents did not observe any other criminal conduct and so returned the firearms to the occupants of the vehicle. They did not trace any of the firearms. ATF Phoenix was notified of the observation of the firearms on May 17, 2010, after ATF Las Cruses forwarded information in connection with a firearms trafficking investigation in New Mexico involving ATF and others. The investigation of ATF is still on-going, likely involves public corruption and must be viewed as close-hold.



On November 25, 2009, ATF entered ATF in the ATF case management system as a suspect in the investigation. This event does not result in the creation of an ROI.

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Thanks and please call if you need more! PJC

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From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) (SMO)
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Attached is a draft response to Chairman Issa sletter of March 16, as well as two attachments that would go with it. Inve attached the incoming letter as well for ease of reference. Weller hoping to get this letter back to Chairman Issa in the next day or two, so I dask the USAO and ATF to each send back comments/edits (if any) by the end of the day tomorrow. As always, if anything is inaccurate, please make sure to let me know. As always, thanks for your help on this.

Matt