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FROM:	The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Ranking Minority Member United States Senate Washington, DC 20510		
то:	DEA (cc indicated for the AG)		
MAIL TYPE:	Congressional Priority		
SUBJECT:	(Copy rec'd via email from OLA) I regarding the ATF's operation calle "Project Gunrunner" initiative. Acc encouraged gun dealers to engage in suspected of illegally purchasing fo Agents were aware of "Operation F involved in the operation. Requestin communications between superviso involvement. Requested the followi 03/18/11 and arrange for a knowled his staff NLT 03/25/11. See related dtd)	d "Fast and Furious" p cording to several agen n sales of multiple wea r resale to Mexican car ast and Furious" and p ng that DEA provide al rs and DEA headquart ng information: a respo geable DEA superviso	art of the broader ts, ATF leadership pons to individuals tels. Stating that DEA ossibly deeply 1 records relating to ers regarding DEA's onse to this letter NLT r to brief members of
DATE ASSIGNED 04/12/2011	ACTION COMPONENT & ACT DEA Prepare response for AAG/OLA sig	·····	
INFO COMPONENT:	OAG, OAG (Wilkinson), ODAG, A	ATF, CRM	
COMMENTS:	04/12/2011: Per OLA (Burton), OL	A will coordinate resp	onse w/DEA.
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March 15, 2011

Via Electronic Transmission

The Honorable Michele M. Leonhart Administrator U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration U.S. Department of Justice 700 Army Navy Drive Arlington, VA 22202



Dear Administrator Leonhart:

Since January, I have been investigating the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) operation called "Fast and Furious"---part of the broader "Project Gurrunner" initiative. According to several agents, ATF leadership encouraged gun dealers to engage in sales of multiple weapons to individuals suspected of illegally purchasing for resale to Mexican cartels.

I understand from documents and other information provided that Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Agents were aware of Operation Fast and Furious and possibly deeply involved in the operation. Reportedly, DEA funds were used to facilitate operations in ATF's Operation Fast and Furious.

Accordingly, in order to get a better understanding of DEA's involvement with Operation Fast and Furious please provide all records relating to communications between supervisors and DEA headquarters regarding DEA's involvement. Additionally, I request that you arrange for knowledgeable DEA supervisors to brief members of my staff no later than March 25, 2011.

I would appreciate a response to this letter no later than March 18, 2011. If you have any questions about this request, please contact Brian Downey at (202) 224-5225. Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

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Charles E. Grassley **Ranking Member**

The Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr. cc: Attorney General, United States Department of Justice

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	Admin. Assistant Monday, April 11, 2011 12:06 PM	
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Please find attached a letter from Senator Grassley. Please confirm receipt and ensure that all formal correspondence on this matter is sent electronically in PDF format to <u>ceg@judiciary-rep.senate.gov</u> (cc'd above). If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me directly. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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