
From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) (SMO)
To: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ)
CC: Burke, Dennis (USAAZ); Scheel, Ann (USAAZ); Hernandez, Rachel (USAAZ); Weinstein, Jason (CRM); Morrissey, Mike (USAAZ)
Sent: 4/6/2011 12:15:39 PM
Subject: RE: Questions re **ATF** Emails and Reports

Thanks, Pat. Very helpful.

From: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ)
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 12:06 PM
To: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)
Cc: Burke, Dennis (USAAZ); Scheel, Ann (USAAZ); Hernandez, Rachel (USAAZ); Weinstein, Jason (CRM); Morrissey, Mike (USAAZ)
Subject: RE: Questions re **ATF** Emails and Reports

Yes, the investigation is closed. SA **ATF** h was authorized to dispose of the property and close the case in the ATF system in December. For some reason he did not do so and ATF has not moved forward with formal closure because the ROIs appeared in the Grassley letter. We never opened in LIONS because ATF never tendered the case to us for review. PJC

From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) (SMO)
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 8:51 AM
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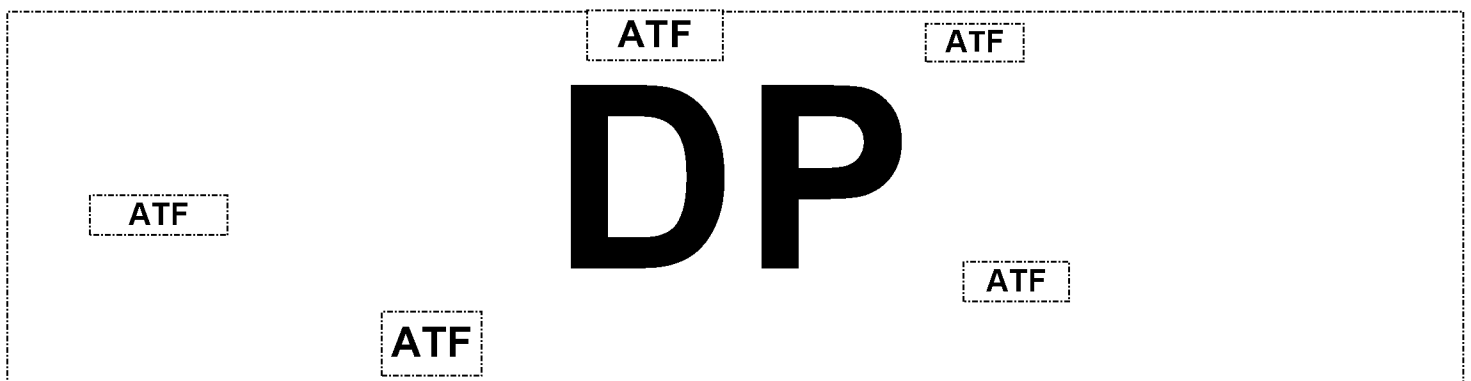
Pat,

Thanks again for sending these. One follow-up question on your #4 below. I understand that the case may not yet be closed in LIONS, but if it's pending property distribution, am I correct in assuming that it's no longer an ongoing investigation? From my perspective, the case's technical status in LIONS (i.e., "open" or "closed") isn't important. What matters is whether there is or is not an ongoing investigation related to **ATF**. Thanks much.

Matt

From: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ)
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 7:23 PM
To: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)
Cc: Burke, Dennis (USAAZ); Scheel, Ann (USAAZ); Hernandez, Rachel (USAAZ); Weinstein, Jason (CRM); Morrissey, Mike (USAAZ)
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Matt: Answers in Bold. Enjoy. PJC



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From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) (SMO)

Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 2:04 PM

To: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ)

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Subject: RE: ATF Emails and Reports

Great. Thanks a ton. One additional question – is the ATF investigation still pending?

From: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ)

Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 4:14 PM

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Subject: RE: ATF Emails and Reports

Matt: I am working with ASAC Jim Needles to get the answers. Thanks PJC

From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) (SMO)

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Subject: RE: ATF Emails and Reports

Pat,

Thanks again for finding and sending these. I have a few follow-up questions, which I'll ask of ATF as well, as I imagine they are probably the ones with the greatest knowledge in this area.

One, what happened to the six firearms that ATF purchased from ATF? Were they ever recovered?

And two, ATF proposal includes a sentence that states "[t]his request is predicated on ATF's previous authorization of allowing firearms to be trafficked ('walked') in furtherance of investigations which target FTO's as opposed to individuals." Do you know what "previous authorization" ATF is referring to? Also, do you know

whether [ATF] (or anyone else who saw this proposal) ever asked [ATF] what he meant by that sentence?

Matt

From: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ)

Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 2:26 PM

To: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)

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Subject: [ATF] Emails and Reports

Matt and Colleagues: enclosed are the two [ATF] emails I spoke of last week on our call regarding the Issa letter, now subpoena.

In the [ATF] Email of May 27 at the bottom of page 3, [ATF] seeks authority to “walk” guns and specifically states, “The logic employed is that by authorizing the “walking” of a small amount of firearms that, ultimately we can cease the trafficking of a significant number. (i.e. walking 4 to 6 – prevent hundreds from being trafficked.)” The target in this case, [ATF] was seeking grenade launchers and other high powered weapons, and after [ATF] purchased six firearms in June 2010 from [ATF] [ATF] stated he was no longer in the business and did not want to proceed with obtaining the high powered weapons.

As we discussed last week, this kind of cooperation was never planned or executed in Fast and Furious, yet somehow an ROI from the [ATF] case made it into a Senator Grassley letter.

DP

What do you think? PJC