

From: Raman, Mythili
To: Sweeney, Laura (SMO); Pope, Amy; Weinstein, Jason
CC: Finelli, Alisa (SMO); Wroblewski, Jonathan
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From: Pope, Amy (CRM)
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From: Weinstein, Jason
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From: Sweeney, Laura (SMO)
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Here's the unofficial transcript:

did the deputy attorney general authorize it? >> my guess would be no, mr. cole, i don't think was in the -- i think, i don't think he was in the department at the time that operation started. >> but he's been aware of it much longer. >> he's been aware of it much longer? >> than you have since you've only been aware for a few weeks? >> i'm not sure. >> did he authorize it? >> i'm not sure whether mr. brewer authorized it. you have to understand, the way in which the department operates. although there are operations, this one has gotten a great deal of publicity. >> the there are dead americans as a result of thi hasn't gotten enough attention, has it, mr. attorney general? >> it's not necessarily -- there's an investigation that is under way. >> i'm aware of that investigation. let me follow up with a couple of questions. >> we'll have to look at that to see exactly what happened with regard to --

From: Sweeney, Laura (SMO)
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Issa was asking about who at DOJ knew about FF – he was asked specifically whether Lanny knew about it and he started to answer when he and Issa got into a fight so didn't really get past saying what sounded like "I can't say who at the department knew what....", though hard to hear over the exchange. We're looking for the transcript, but WSJ is now asking for a response.

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