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Field Level Agents & Investigators

- **94 Special Agents (SAs)** are assigned to the Phoenix Field Division (States of Arizona & New Mexico) as follows:

Phoenix (43); Tucson (25); Yuma (4); Flagstaff (2); Albuquerque (8); Las Cruces (11); Roswell (1)

- Investigation Statistics – Fiscal Year 2010 (Mid-year)
 - In FY-10 as of mid-year, 325 criminal investigations were initiated.
 - In FY-10 as of mid-year, 330 defendants were recommended for prosecution.
 - In FY-10 as of mid-year, 473 firearms were taken into ATF custody.
 - In FY-10 as of mid-year, 45,106 rounds of ammunition were taken into ATF custody.

- **38 Industry Operations Investigators (IOIs)** are assigned to the Phoenix Field Division as follows:

Phoenix (16); Tucson (8); Yuma (3); Albuquerque (7); Las Cruces (4)

- Firearms Statistics – Fiscal year 2010 (Mid-year)
 - In FY-10 as of May, IOIs completed 142 Compliance Inspections where 239 violations were discovered.
 - Resolved 936 inventory discrepancies
 - Discovered 25 unreported multiple sales
 - In addition, completed 196 new firearms application inspections to comply with statutory deadlines.
- Explosives Statistics – Fiscal year 2010 (Mid-year)
 - In FY-10 as of May, IOIs completed 81 Compliance Inspections where 55 violations were discovered.
 - No inventory discrepancies to resolve.
 - In addition completed (statutory deadlines) – 11 new explosives applications

Firearms & Explosives Licensees

- Federal Firearms Licensees (FFLs) & Federal Explosives Licensees (FELs) located in Arizona and New Mexico as of Fiscal Year 2010 (mid-year)
 - Arizona Active Federal Firearms Licensees (Type 01 & 02) – 1228
 - New Mexico Active Federal Firearms Licensees (Type 01 & 02) – 598
 - Arizona Active Federal Explosives Licensees (all types) - 154
 - New Mexico Active Federal Explosives Licensees (all types) – 110

Firearms Trace Results Affecting the Division

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United States Attorneys

- The United States Attorney in the Judicial District of Arizona is Mr. Dennis K. Burke. Mr. Burke's background has been at both the Federal and State levels. Prior to his current appointment, he was a Senior Advisor to Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Reno. The relationship with this office is improving and a concerted effort has been made by both the U.S. Attorney's Office and Phoenix Field Division personnel to strengthen the working relationship. However, immigration prosecutions continue to be a high priority within the District of Arizona and constitute approximately 65% of all prosecutions. All Federal law enforcement SACs, except those prosecuting solely immigration cases, have voiced concerns with the USAO about the lack of prosecution of violent crime, white collar, fraud/corruption, narcotics and other non-immigrations cases.
- The United States Attorney in the Judicial District of New Mexico is Kenneth J. Gonzales. Mr. Gonzales, a native New Mexican, received both his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of New Mexico. After law school, he served as a judicial law clerk to New Mexico Supreme Court Justice Joseph F. Baca. Mr. Gonzales then joined Senator Jeff Bingaman's Office as a legislative assistant. In 1999, Mr. Gonzales began his career as a federal prosecutor in the United States Attorney's Office in the District of New Mexico. During his tenure in the U.S. Attorney's Office, Mr. Gonzales primarily prosecuted large-scale narcotics trafficking cases, but he has prosecuted a wide range of federal offenses, including immigration, firearms and violent crime cases. Mr. Gonzales also served on the District's Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council, a network of local, state, tribal, and federal officials working together to detect, deter and prevent terrorism and promote national security. Mr. Gonzales replaced Mr. Greg Fouratt who during his tenure as U.S. Attorney greatly improved the relationship between his office and the ATF offices in New Mexico. We expect this great relationship to continue under Mr. Gonzales.

Current Division Issues

- The Phoenix Field Division continues to grow based on workload demand. The addition of several criminal enforcement and industry operations groups, as well as satellite offices, is well deserved and long overdue in order to ensure effective enforcement and regulatory oversight of the ATF mission in Arizona and New Mexico. However, the logistical details lag in comparison to the need and approval of the expansion. The division is left with a shortage of personnel, office space, vehicles, and equipment to complete the approved expansion. Attention needs to be given to properly and timely fill positions and acquire the office space and other equipment if mission success is to be accomplished. Efforts continue on behalf of the Phoenix Field Division to work with the various Directorates in ATF to remedy these issues.

Office Space Status and Concerns

- In response to operational demands, the Phoenix Field Division continues to grow. In May, 2009, Field Operations approved the creation of new enforcement and industry operations groups in support of Project Gunrunner. Therefore, more personnel will be assigned to the Phoenix Field Division office space. The existing office space is not large enough to accommodate these reporting personnel. With respect to the Phoenix Field offices, which include Phoenix Groups I, II, III, IV, V, VI, and VII there is a requirement for additional office space. Space has been identified on the 3rd floor of the building and the field division is coordinating with RBOB with the development of the design intent drawings for build out and costs.
- The Tucson Field Offices are already in a critical state as there is no space to accommodate any more FTEs. A contract has been signed for the new office space in Tucson; however, the completion date for move-in will likely not be until 2011. Temporary office space has been acquired for the GRIT. The temporary office space will have to be retained until completion of the new permanent space due to the lack of current space to handle the staffing needs. Additionally, there is insufficient and unsecure parking at the Tucson Federal Building, which currently houses three Field Offices and an Area Office.
- The construction of the new Flagstaff Satellite Office is approximately 95 percent complete. Arrangements are being made to move into the space by the end of June. The office furniture is scheduled to be delivered in the middle of June. One issue pending is the building occupancy permit for issues outside of the ATF office space.
- Yuma Satellite Office (LE) (Phoenix I) – No ATF space exists. Four (4) Special Agents and three (3) Industry Operations Investigators are currently working out of the DEA Yuma Field Office. The past and current DEA SACs have agreed to continue to provide this space, but have recently indicated that they will be soon increasing their agency staffing and will need to reclaim their space in the near future.

- There is a requirement for office space to house the new Las Cruces II Southwest Border Group. Representatives from the Las Cruces Field Office Group I and II, ATF/Physical Security, and ATF/Realty and Building Operations completed a market survey on May 12, 2010. Eight offices were surveyed, but only one was accepted for the permanent space requirement. GSA will solicit a bid from this lessor. One building was accepted and will be solicited for the temporary requirement as well. GSA is currently working on the Solicitation for Offers for RBOB's review and approval. Space management is in the process of contracting space for the Roswell Satellite Office which falls under the new Las Cruces II Southwest Border Group.
- The lease in Albuquerque, New Mexico, is expiring on October 11, 2011. GSA hired a broker to negotiate the lease with the current landlord. ATF has just reviewed and approved the Solicitation for Offer or SFO (which is the basis of the lease). GSA's broker will give the landlord 45 days to respond to the SFO. It will take GSA six to eight weeks to negotiate the lease.

Staffing Issues & Training Needs

- Division Office Vacancies:
 - The DOO position has yet to be filled. In addition there is only one SOO (LE). We are in desperate need of an SOO (IO) and another SOO (LE) in order to ensure proper oversight of all the administrative requirements of the field division.
 - ASAC Assistant - Vacant
- Field Office Support vacancies:
 - Tucson II Field Office IA – Vacant for 6 years (Announcement #10-MER-277-DMH)
 - Tucson IV Field Office IA – New position (Announcement #10-MER-277-DMH)
 - Tucson III Field Office IOA – Vacant for 18 months
 - Phoenix Group II IA – Vacant for 3 years (Announcement #10-MER-277-DMH)
 - Phoenix Group IV (Intel) Secretary – Vacant for 2 years
 - Phoenix VI (IO) IOA – New position
 - Las Cruces II Field Office IA – Selection made, awaiting EOD
 - Albuquerque II Area Office IOA – New position
- Certified Fire Investigator (CFI) training. Another CFI is desperately needed for Arizona. We currently have only one CFI to cover the entire State of Arizona. We no longer have a CFI in New Mexico as he was recently assigned full time to the NRT.
- Certified Explosives Specialists: currently, there is not a CES assigned in the State of New Mexico.

Government Vehicles

- The allotment of vehicles received thus far in 2010 has helped to alleviate the shortage of GOV's in the Phoenix Field Division. However, there is still a shortage of reliable vehicles and with the addition of both criminal enforcement and industry operations

groups within the division, more vehicles are needed for the efficient and effective service to our mission.

Phoenix Group I (LE)

Group Supervisor: ATF

Home Invasion/Violent Crime Task Force

In order to address the incredible rise in the incidence of home invasion robberies and violent crime occurring the Phoenix area, Phoenix Group I has been designated as a Home Invasion/Violent Crime Group. This was done so ATF could share its expertise in conducting both historical and proactive investigations into home invasion crews in an effort to stem the rise in the number of these violent crimes. Phoenix Group I hosted Operation GIDEON last year, and continues the mission of conducting proactive stings after identifying known home invasion crews operating in the Phoenix metropolitan area. Operation GIDEON resulted in the arrest of approximately 70 home invasion suspects. An additional 10 suspects have been arrested and are currently being prosecuted in the District of Arizona for home invasion or gang related activity. The Phoenix Police Department has three detectives and one sergeant detailed to the Task Force to assist in the group's mission and to enhance ATF's capabilities as they relate to NIBIN, in the Phoenix area.

Project ARROW

Project ARROW (**A**pprehend **R**eleased **R**epeat **O**ffenders with **W**eapons) has been a highly successful program which was initiated within the Phoenix Field Division as a "worst of the worst" program. Since its inception in 2004, nearly 400 armed career criminals have been prosecuted and removed from the streets. Many area law enforcement officers credit Project ARROW with the near decimation of the Aryan Brotherhood leadership in Phoenix, Arizona.

Yuma Satellite Office (LE)

Reports to Phoenix Group I

Since its creation over three years ago this office has clearly proven that the decision to open an ATF LE and IO office in southwestern Arizona was a prudent one. The amount of Gunrunner and other violent crime investigations in the past several years coming out of this office has been outstanding and equally as important the reputation of ATF in this part of the State has improved exponentially especially due to the vastly decreased response time of ATF personnel. This office has also provided a very important liaison function with our Mexican LE counterparts and has provided training to both United States and Mexico law enforcement agencies on numerous occasions. Project GUNRUNNER is the focus of the efforts of this office situated on the U.S. and Mexico border.

Phoenix Group II (LE)

Group Supervisor **ATF**

Phoenix Group II investigates firearms-related violent crimes in the city of Phoenix and the associated metropolitan area. Proactive and historical investigations are worked utilizing undercover agents, surveillance, and record examination. Recent high-profile cases include the investigation of FFL **ATF** who is suspected of cutting serial numbers from registered NFA machineguns and falsifying documents to ATF as part of a conspiracy with other licensees and non-licensees all over the United States to manufacture and distribute machineguns outside of the law. A Federal indictment in this case is forthcoming. Buffalo Brothers is a case involving large amounts of undercover purchases from an unlicensed dealer selling firearms at gun shows in multiple states without any apparent concern to their destination. These guns have been recovered in crimes all over the United States including the recent Federal Courthouse shooting in **Unrelated**. A planned storefront operation is already a success with undercover purchases made as the build-out takes place for a store that has not even opened. A strong working relationship with the Mesa Police Department continues following great work this group has accomplished as part of the Mesa Violent Crime Impact Team (VCIT). The results have been arrests and perfected prosecutions of prohibited persons in possession of firearms to persons responsible for murders, serial burglars, kidnapers, and others.

Phoenix Group III (IO)

Area Supervisor **ATF**

Area of Responsibility: Western Arizona Counties of Yuma, La Paz, Mohave, and Yavapai. Phoenix III shares the responsibility of conducting industry operations in Maricopa County with Phoenix Group VI. This includes metropolitan Phoenix.

Satellite Offices and Staffing: Area Office located in Phoenix, Arizona, staffed with six industry operations investigators (two GS-13, one GS-11, and three GS-9). Yuma Satellite Office co-located with ATF LE and staffed with three industry operations investigators (one GS-13, one GS-12, and one GS-7).

Phoenix Group IV (Intelligence)

Group Supervisor **ATF**

The Phoenix IV Field Intelligence Group (FIG) is staffed with a Group Supervisor, one Special Agent Intelligence officer, one Special Agent/Firearms Instructor Coordinator, five Intelligence Research Specialists (IRS), and one Investigative Analyst. The FIG is awaiting the recruitment of one additional IRS to be attached to the Tucson IV Gunrunner Group. The Phoenix FIG also hosts one attached NTC firearms Program Specialist, one contract Firearm Trace Specialist, and one embedded foreign liaison officer (Republic of Mexico, Attorney General's Office or PGR). The Phoenix FIG remains in need of an Industry Operations Investigator, as well as a Secretary.

The Phoenix FIG focuses its efforts to support all Phoenix Field Division investigations throughout Arizona and New Mexico. Gunrunner cases and additional major cases are supported with intelligence analysis that includes investigative queries, link analysis, charting and mapping, as well as Pen link. The FIG currently supports the Phoenix GRIT (Gunrunner Impact Team), which is a 100-day detail for ATF special agents, industry operations investigators, and support personnel working on teams in the Phoenix, Tucson, and Albuquerque Metropolitan areas.

Phoenix Group V (Arson/Explosives)

Group Supervisor ATF

This arson and explosives group has been heavily involved over the past three years with a long term, far reaching bombing investigation that has consumed much of the resources of this group. This group is also conducting a RICO investigation with suspects throughout the country. Coordination with other Federal agencies and police departments has been handled successfully by this group. Phoenix V has continued to support NRT call-outs, worked arson and explosive investigations, as well as a large scale FFL investigation (Flagstaff Satellite Office), and it supports additional field division efforts, to include undercover and surveillance support in gun show and storefront operations.

Phoenix Group VI (IO)

Area Supervisor ATF

Area of Responsibility: Northeast Arizona Counties of Apache, Coconino, Gila, and Navajo. Phoenix VI shares the responsibility of conducting industry operations in Maricopa County with Phoenix III. This includes metropolitan Phoenix.

Satellite Offices & Staffing: Area Office located in Phoenix staffed with seven industry operations investigators (one GS-13, two GS-12, one GS-9, one GS-7, and two GS-5). Flagstaff Satellite will be co-located with Flagstaff ATF LE upon completion of space. No industry operations investigators are currently staffed at this location.

Phoenix Group VII

Group Supervisor ATF

Phoenix Group VII was created under Gunrunner to specifically address firearms trafficking from the Phoenix metropolitan area that directly impacts Mexico. Phoenix VII is located at the Phoenix OCDETF Strike Force, thus fully incorporating the efforts of this ATF group into the larger mission of the Strike Force, which is to focus investigations on the command and control elements of the Sinaloa Cartel and Arizona-based distribution cells associated with the Cartel. The Phoenix OCDETF Strike Force is a multi-agency unit, with participation from Federal, state, and local agencies including DEA, ATF, IRS, ICE, USMS, Phoenix Police, and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office. A premiere case for this group is

Operation Fast & Furious. This is a large scale OCDETF/firearms trafficking case with crime gun recoveries in Mexico or near the Mexican border. More than one million dollars in cash has been spent by suspects in this conspiracy to move over 1,500 firearms to Mexico. ATF is running several T-III court authorized audio intercepts and is leading this multi-agency cast targeting this flow of firepower to Mexico drug trafficking organizations. This group currently has several other large-scale OCDETF investigations open which relate to firearms trafficking activity by the Sinaloa Cartel.

Tucson Group I (LE)

Acting RAC **ATF**

This group currently has the primary focus of investigations in support of ATF's Project Gunrunner. As soon as the Tucson IV Gunrunner Group, created in FY10 is fully operational Tucson I will transition to more of a general group with a focus on local firearms trafficking and violent crime issues not affecting the VCIT area, worked by Tucson II. Over the past several years Tucson Group I has established strong working relationships with the U.S. Border Patrol, as well as Customs and Border Protection. This group's primary focus has been on the trafficking of firearms from the Tucson metropolitan area to Mexico. This involves proactive investigations and operational activity of the sources of crime guns recovered in Mexico and the Tucson AOR, specifically but not limited to Gun Shows, FFLs, and Straw Purchasers of large quantities of "weapons of choice". Tucson Group I houses the Phoenix Field Division Border Liaison Officer (BLO) and enjoys a strong relationship with the DEA offices in Arizona, the Mexico PGR, and Mexico's intelligence Service – CISEN (it coordinates with ATF's office of International Affairs). The BLO and other special agents respond to firearms seizures in Mexican border towns near the international border ports of entry. They accurately capture seized firearms data and submit this data for comprehensive firearms tracing.

Tucson Group II (LE)

Resident Agent in Charge **ATF**

Tucson Group II is focused on disrupting the illegal source(s) of firearms destined to violent gangs and drug trafficking organizations operating throughout the Tucson metropolitan area. The group's focus is on the designated VCIT area, which currently encompasses the highest crime rate area in the City of Tucson. Many of these violent gangs and drug trafficking organizations have a direct nexus to Mexico; therefore, this group is proactive in those investigations dealing with firearms trafficking directly impacting the Tucson metropolitan area. This group enjoys support by Task Force Officers (TFOs) from the Tucson Police Department.

Tucson Group III (IO)

Area Supervisor **ATF**

Area of Responsibility: Southern Arizona Counties of Pinal Graham, Pima, Cochise, Greenlee, and Santa Cruz.

Satellite Offices & Staffing: Tucson, Arizona Satellite Office, co-located with ATF LE and staffed with seven industry operations investigators (two GS-13, one GS-12, two GS-9, two GS-8, and one GS-5).

Tucson Group IV (LE)

Resident Agent in Charge - Vacant

As mentioned above under Tucson I this new group is still in the process of being set up. Upon graduation of the five new special agents in mid-July from the ATF National Academy a reorganization of the personnel in Tucson I and II will be conducted in order to ensure that this new group is staffed with a equal part new and experienced agents to ensure success.

Albuquerque I Field Office (LE)

Resident Agent in Charge **ATF**

The Albuquerque Field Office is responsible for conducting investigations of all ATF's jurisdictional violations in the counties comprising the north half of the State of New Mexico. Since July of 2009, this group has been working an undercover storefront operation named Jokerz Traderz. ATF special agents have purchased 230 firearms, as well as narcotics from 41 suspects. An enforcement operation has been scheduled for June 16, 2010, to arrest those who have been indicted. The indication from the United States Attorney's Office is that all 41 suspects will be indicted

Albuquerque II Area Office (IO)

Area Supervisor **ATF**

Area of Responsibility: Albuquerque Group II is responsible for all industry operations in New Mexico.

Satellite Offices & Staffing: Area Office located in Albuquerque staff with six industry operations investigators (two GS-13, two GS-12, one GS-9, and one GS-7). Las Cruces Satellite Office, co-located with ATF LE and staffed with four industry operations investigators (two GS-13, one GS-12, and one GS-9). Roswell Satellite Office will be co-located with ATF LE and no industry operations investigators are currently staffed at that location.

Las Cruces I Field Office (LE)

Resident Agent in Charge **ATF**

This field office covers the southern half of New Mexico. This office has built an excellent working partnership with the U.S. Attorney's Office and police departments in New Mexico. This office also has a task force officer agreement with the cities of Hobbs, Roswell, and Deming. Plans continue for those officers, as well as ATF special agents, to be present in those cities located in the far corners of New Mexico. This will enable ATF to provide a more effective and efficient response to state and local violent crime issues, which historically have not received much ATF attention. A satellite office is now operating successfully in Roswell, New Mexico. The efforts of this group were recently highlighted when Erika GARCIA, a first offender straw purchaser, was convicted by jury trial and sentenced to 41 months federal prison. Guns she straw-purchased were recovered in crimes in Mexico. The U.S. Attorney's Office remains very excited about this result that conveys a very strong message to current and would be straw purchasers in New Mexico.

Las Cruces II Field Office (LE)

Acting Resident Agent in Charge **ATF**

The Las Cruces II Field office has been established as a Gunrunner Group. To date, no supervisor has been selected for this group, which also lacks support staff and a full staff of special agents. Still, this group has several firearms trafficking investigations started by crime guns recovered in Mexico with short times to crime. This group is building on strong relationships with the U.S. Border Patrol and DEA.

Roswell Satellite Office (LE)

Reports to Las Cruces II Field Office

The Roswell Satellite Office has been established to support project Gunrunner in this area of New Mexico. This office is currently housed in the Roswell Police Department and a special agent and two task force officers work violent crime and firearms trafficking investigations related to Mexico and Mexican border violence.

Phoenix GRIT

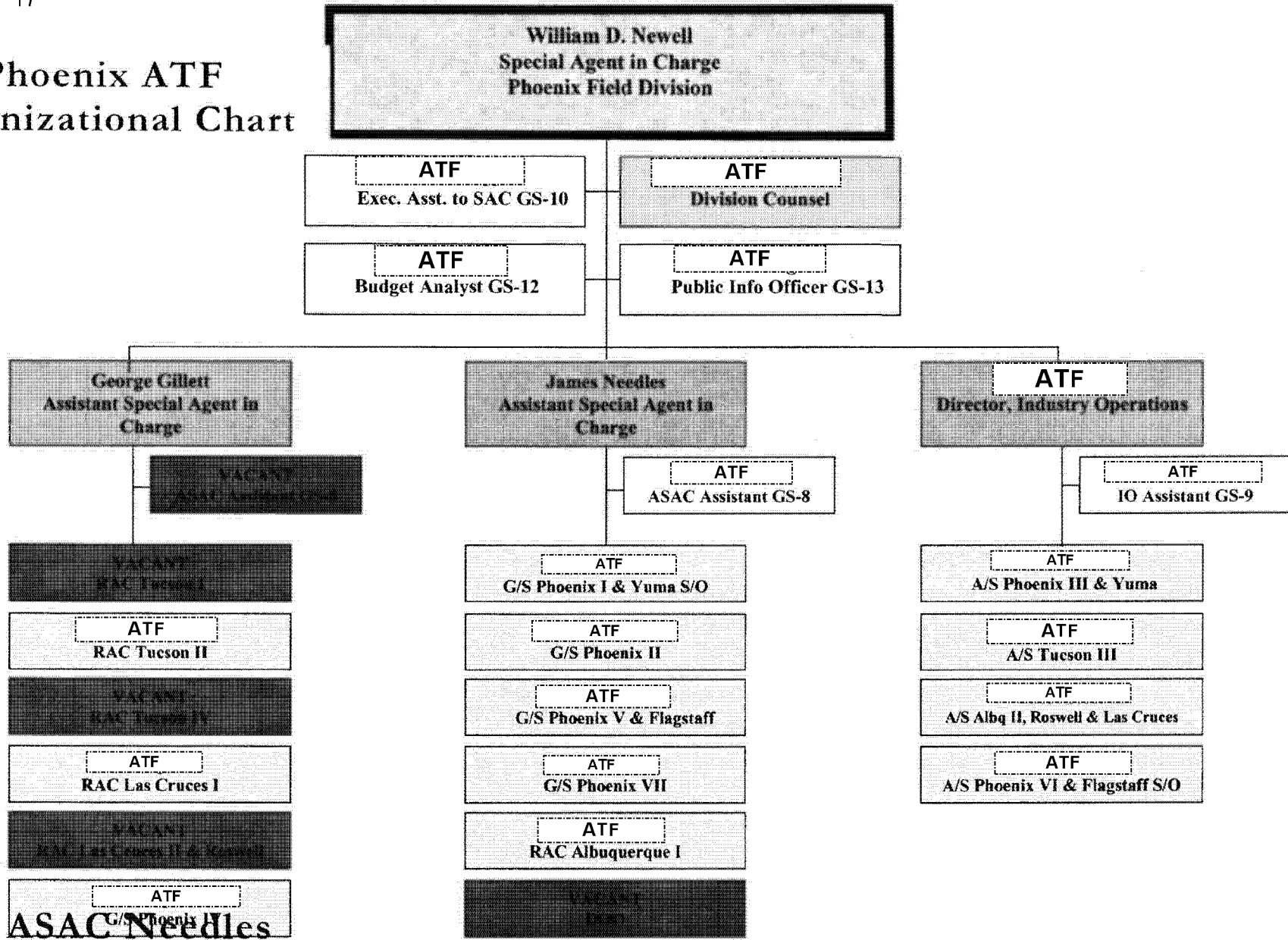
The Phoenix GRIT hosted its first briefing on May 11, 2010. Approximately 30 special agents, 20 industry operations investigators, as well as supervisors, intelligence analysts, and support staff attend this briefing. All were welcome by Special Agent in Charge William Newell. Assistant Special Agent in Charge James Needles and Director of Industry Operations **ATF** provided assignments and details for the work to be conducted. Industry Operations Investigators quickly began inspections of area Federal Firearms Licensees in Phoenix, Tucson, and Albuquerque. Special Agents were immediately plugged

into existing high-profile Gunrunner investigations. A fast start for this GRIT was facilitated with ATF Headquarters support to acquire space in Phoenix and Tucson as a base of operations for GRIT personnel. A process is in place to find and develop firearms trafficking leads related to Mexico. Additional personnel are expected and additional cases will be worked by the Phoenix GRIT.

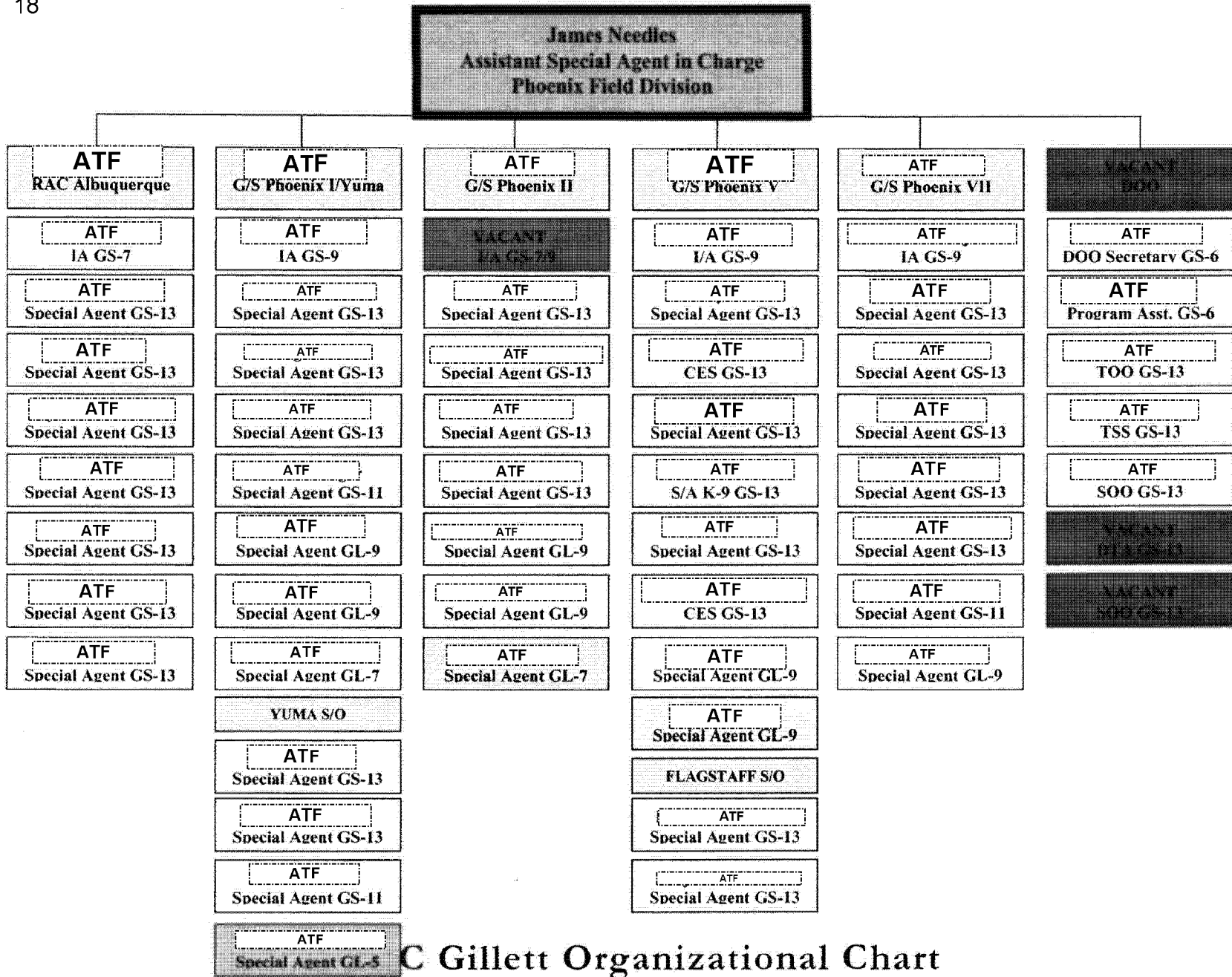
The chart below denotes the first GRIT Performance Report, date May 20, 2010.

GRIT Performance for Reporting Period May 1 - 20, 2010		
	Reporting Period	Since Inception
Number of Investigative Leads at the Start of GRIT (May 1, 2010)	N/A	25
Number of New Investigative Leads	18	18
Total Leads		43
Number of Leads Investigated	4	
Number of New Actual Criminal Cases Opened	10	
Number of Existing Investigations Supported by GRIT	10	
Number of Defendants Recommended for Prosecution	0	
Number of Referrals to U.S. LE Agencies	0	
Number of Liaison Activities with the Gov. of Mexico	3	
Number of Firearms/Other Evidence Seized/Recovered by ATF or Other LE Agencies Acting on ATF Information	5	Firearms
	0	rounds of ammunition
	0	blasting caps
	0	\$ in currency
	0	Cocaine
	0	Methamphetamine
	0	Marijuana
Number of FFL Inspections Initiated	354	354
Number of FFL Inspections Completed	18	18
FFL Adverse Actions Recommended:	2	2
Number of Warning Letters/Warning Conferences	3	3
Number of Revocations (Recommended by Division and Concurred by HQ)	0	0
Number of Licenses Surrendered in Lieu of Revocation	0	0
Number of Criminal Enforcement Referrals Made by IOIs to ATF LE	9	9

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From: ATF
Sent: Friday, January 22, 2010 3:50 PM
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Subject: FW: OCDETF Initiation Form and Narrative
Attachments: OCDETF_Invest_Initiation-The Fast and The Furious.doc; 785115-10-0004 - OCDETF_Narrative - The Fast and The Furious.doc

Categories: IG, Fast and Furious

FYI – Here are the OCDETF forms for Tuesday’s meeting. I have reviewed them and believe them to be factually correct and in accordance with the OCDETF format. Be advised [ATF] has requested them by COB today so she can spend Monday making copies etc for the committee.

Thanks

From: ATF
Sent: Friday, January 22, 2010 1:33 PM
To: ATF
Subject: OCDETF Initiation Form and Narrative

I have attached both.

Thank you,

ATF

Special Agent [ATF]
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
Phoenix - Group VII

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From: DHS
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2010 3:47 PM
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Subject: FW: OCDETF Proposal
Attachments: The Fast and The Furious.doc; The Fast and The Furious narrative.doc
Categories: IG, Fast and Furious

Senor,

Can you have ATF list DHS as a case agent on the OCDETF proposal since he will be writing the affidavit for the wire on "prieto"?

DHS

Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Office of Investigations

Asst. Special Agent in Charge

Phoenix, Arizona

DHS

From: Strachan, Carol (USAAZ) [mailto:Carol.Strachan@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2010 7:24 AM

To: Al Childress, IRS; DHS ASAC Jim Needles - ATF; DEA DEA; DHS ATF
ATF GS Sq#7; David [redacted] zle, USMS; First Assistant U.S. Atty; Glenn, Section Chief; Lon weigand; Matt Allen; Me; Michael Albers, Asset Forfeiture IRS; Mike Wilson, asset forfeiture IRS; R. Brant Benham, Cmdr; Sterling Carter, USMS; Steve Bailey, Deputy; Tom Mertz, Marshal; USA Burke; Vercauteren, Keith (USAAZ); Vince Piano, PPD

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Sent: Monday, January 25, 2010 4:37 PM
To: Strachan, Carol (USAAZ)
Subject: FW: OCDETF Proposal
Attachments: The Fast and The Furious.doc; The Fast and The Furious narrative.doc

Categories: IG, Fast and Furious

Hello Carol –

Just a friendly reminder that ATF ASAC Needles is no longer the point of contact for OCDETF matters. I have assumed those responsibilities. Obviously, I have this proposal. However, are there any others that will be considered at the meeting tomorrow?

Thanks! And, I'll see you at the meeting.

George T. Gillett
 Assistant Special Agent in Charge
 ATF - Phoenix Field Division



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