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To: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)
CC: Weich, Ron (SMO); Colborn, Paul P (SMO)
Sent: 6/7/2011 3:57:23 PM
Subject: Draft Response to Castor email on Congressional communications - Matt, could we discuss this - we obviously need to address this asap. Thanks.

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From: Castor, Stephen [mailto:Stephen.Castor@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2011 12:27 PM
To: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)
Subject: Congressional communications

Hi Matt

Has DOJ or ATF management ordered or otherwise taken steps to prevent agency personnel from returning my calls or speaking with me? I have reason to believe this has occurred.

As I'm sure you know, it is not lawful for any person paid with appropriated funds to attempt to prevent direct communications between Congressional staff and any government employee.

To the extent folks have been instructed not to return my telephone calls, will you please see that that guidance is reversed?

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