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June 15, 2011 ATF Weapons Operations House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Full Committee Hearing

House Oversight and Government Reform Committee (Chairman Issa, R-Calif.) will hold a hearing titled "Operation Fast and Furious: Reckless Decisions, Tragic Outcome," focusing on a sting operation run by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms that passed weapons into the hands of suspected gun smugglers so they could be traced to the higher echelons of Mexican drug cartels. Later many of the guns were linked to crimes, including the shooting of a Border Patrol agent.

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