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BATCH #

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STARTING BATES

ENDING BATES

**From:** ATF  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 30, 2010 12:58 PM  
**To:** ATF (DEA-US); Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Subject:** Strike Force stats for first quarter; Dec-March 2010

ATF

Per your request I have listed the below stats for ATF Phoenix Group VII as part of the Phoenix Strike Force for the first quarter of 2010 (Dec-March):

1. One paragraph narrative on significant investigation: On or about October 1, 2009, individuals in the Phoenix, Arizona area began to purchase firearms, firearm magazines and/or ammunition to be transported to Mexico. Case agents have identified 25 individuals that have purchased in excess of 1,200 firearms in the Phoenix area with over \$750,000.00 in over-the-counter cash transactions. Twenty-two of these individuals have purchased firearms that were recovered in Mexico in the possession of drug traffickers affiliated with the Sinaloa Cartel. Over 50 firearms purchased by two of these individuals were recovered in stash locations or during crossings along the border in Arizona and Texas and were destined for delivery to the drug traffickers. There was an extremely short time span, ranging from [ATF] between the purchases of these firearms and the recoveries in/near Mexico. The case is an approved OCDETF investigation; Operation-The Fast and the Furious. Investigative measures are being taken to identify the persons involved in the international firearms procurement, transportation, financial and distribution network in this case. The investigation will determine their roles within the Drug Trafficking Organization(s) as well as the organizations affiliation with the Sinaloa Cartel.
2. Federal Arrests: 4
3. Firearm and Narcotics Seizures: Firearms = 85, Narcotics = 16 pounds methamphetamine
4. Assets Seized: \$140,000.00 U.S. currency
5. OCDETF cases opened: 2 - Operation White Gun & Operation Fast and Furious
6. [ATF]
7. Significant Indictments: [ATF]

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Group Supervisor  
Phoenix Group VII

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**From:** ATF  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 3:08 PM  
**To:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Subject:** RE: F/F Summary Chart

George



F&F Summary.xlsx

Attached is the updated firearms recovery chart that cites the following.

- Indicted targets that purchased firearms
- Date targets were entered into N-Force (identified)
- Number of firearms purchased prior to date of entry
- Number of firearms purchased after date of entry
- Number of firearms purchased after date of entry and recovered in the U.S.

Please advise if you have any questions or require additional information.

Additionally, IRS Ramos is preparing a similar chart for the Operation Wide Receiver investigation. This chart is expected to be completed today.

**ATF**

Senior IRS

Acting Intel Group Supervisor

- Direct  
- Mobile  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 7:07 AM  
**To:** ATF  
**Subject:** FW: F/F chart

Pls see the SAC's comments.

George T. Gillett  
ASAC - Phoenix Field Division  
Cell: [REDACTED]

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----- Original Message -----

From: Newell, William D.  
To: Needles, James R.; Gillett, George T. Jr.  
Sent: Wed Mar 16 08:57:11 2011  
Subject: F/F chart

Did **ATF** finish the F/F chart showing a breakdown of how many of the **ATF** we seized? Also, the Wide Receiver chart? Need them asap. Thanks

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F&F Summary.xlsx

<b>Indicted targets (Purchasers)</b>	<b><i>Date identified (entered) in investigation</i></b>	<b><i>Firearms purchased before target was identified (entered) in investigation</i></b>	<b><i>Firearms purchased after target was identified (entered) in investigation</i></b>	<b><i>TOTALS</i></b>	<b><i>Firearms recovered in U.S. after target was identified (entered) in investigation</i></b>
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**ATF**  
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**From:** ATF  
**Sent:** Friday, March 19, 2010 10:47 PM  
**To:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Subject:** The week in review

George,

The following is a approximate update of this weeks activities in review. If I have omitted something it is due to the busy schedule not intentional;

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[REDACTED]

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Group Supervisor  
Phoenix Group VII

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**From:** ATF  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 08, 2010 8:05 PM  
**To:** Gillett, George T. Jr.; Needles, James R.  
**Subject:** FW: El Paso - Phoenix connections

Just FYI...no action needed.

**From:** ATF  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 08, 2010 4:54 PM  
**To:** ATF  
**Subject:** El Paso - Phoenix connections

To all;

My name is ATF and I am the ATF Group Supervisor for Phoenix Group VII, which is the Southwest Border Firearms Trafficking Group.

On a current OCDETF case we are investigating here in Phoenix we have strong connections to El Paso, TX. Without going into too much detail we have over 60 firearms purchased by our suspects here in Phoenix recovered in El Paso, the most recent being last night/today. We have targets of our investigation here calling several ATF

ATF

My goal is not to hinder any agencies investigation but rather to enhance all of our cases. I am suggesting that we arrange a conference call between Phoenix (DEA & ATF) and El Paso (DEA & ATF) next Monday to share information.

Thanks to all in advance,

ATF  
Group Supervisor  
Phoenix Group VII  
[REDACTED]

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From: [ATF]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2010 7:03 PM  
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.  
Subject: update

[ATF]

[ATF] people are loving  
them so far!

[REDACTED]

[ATF]  
Group Supervisor  
Phoenix Group VII

[REDACTED]



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**From:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 16, 2010 1:44 PM  
**To:** ATF  
**Subject:** RE: update

Excellent. Good work and my compliments to the personnel that are working.

**From:** ATF  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 16, 2010 10:43 AM  
**To:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Subject:** update

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They must be putting a special order together?

ATF

Group Supervisor  
Phoenix Group VII

**From:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 15, 2010 7:47 PM  
**To:** Newell, William D.  
**Cc:** Needles, James R.  
**Subject:** Fw: U.S. Border Patrol Agent killed in the line of duty - Two firearms recovered by ATF

Bill -

FYI -

George T. Gillett  
ASAC - Phoenix Field Division  
Cell: [REDACTED]

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**From:** ATF  
**To:** ATF  
**Cc:** Gillett, George T. Jr.; Needles, James R.  
**Sent:** Wed Dec 15 19:45:03 2010  
**Subject:** U.S. Border Patrol Agent killed in the line of duty - Two firearms recovered by ATF

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The firearms are identified as follows:

Romarm/CUGIR, 762 rifle, Model GP WASR 10/63, serial number [REDACTED]  
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I was advised by the NTC that the firearms were entered into ATF Suspect Gun database by SA [ATF] and associated to the Fast and Furious investigation. The NTC further advised that on

[REDACTED] ATF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ATF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ATF [REDACTED]

Should you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact me.

**ATF**

Senior IRS

Acting Intel Group Supervisor

- Direct

- Mobile

- Fax

**From:** Gillett, George T. Jr.

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 15, 2010 11:24 AM

**To:** All Phoenix Exchange

**Subject:** U.S. Border Patrol Agent killed in the line of duty

A U.S. Border Patrol agent, Brian A. Terry, 40, was shot and killed north of the Arizona-Mexico border while trying to catch bandits who target illegal immigrants. Terry, working as part of a BORTAC unit, was waiting with three other agents in a remote area north of Nogales, Ariz., late Tuesday night when a gunfight with the bandits began. No other agents were injured, but one of the suspects was wounded in the shootout. Terry was shot in the back and was pronounced dead at approximately 4:00 AM today.

The FBI is investigating the shooting. Four suspects are in custody and [REDACTED]

ATF Tucson personnel are assisting with the follow-up investigation and will be assisting with a search of the area. A firearm in the custody of the FBI is currently being traced.

**George T. Gillett**

Assistant Special Agent in Charge

ATF - Phoenix Field Division

Office: [REDACTED]

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**From:** ATF  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 15, 2010 6:46 PM  
**To:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Subject:** Re: Nogales Shooting

Boss Thus far these are the only two that have been identified that I know. Very difficult to reach these guys roaming the hills. I will find out. From talking with ATF sounds like they are out in the middle of nowhere. He had to climb a ridge for air service. Talked to she will call with trace results. From Fast and Furious

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**From:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**To:** ATF  
**Cc:** Newell, William D.  
**Sent:** Wed Dec 15 18:31:58 2010  
**Subject:** Re: Nogales Shooting

Thank you, ATF Are these two in addition to the gun already recovered this morning?

George T. Gillett  
ASAC - Phoenix Field Division  
Cell: [REDACTED]

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**From:** ATF  
**To:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Sent:** Wed Dec 15 18:26:40 2010  
**Subject:** Re: Nogales Shooting

George. I am still here at the CISEN Intel meeting at TPD. I just talked ATF out in Nogales in the hills. They have two AKs WASHRs from CAI. I have called ATF to trace the guns. She has initiated an urgent. I am the poc for the traces

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**To:** ATF  
**Cc:** ATF; Newell, William D.  
**Sent:** Wed Dec 15 12:02:14 2010  
**Subject:** RE: Nogales Shooting

Thanks [ATF] I appreciate the update.

**From:** [ATF]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 15, 2010 9:54 AM  
**To:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Cc:** Nallin, Michael T.  
**Subject:** Nogales Shooting

Just talked to an FBI agent, the BP did recovered an AK47, and they will provide us the info. We will conduct an urgent trace immediately after we get the info- if they haven't already through other channels.

[ATF]  
Cell [REDACTED]

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**From:** Gillett, George T. Jr.  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 16, 2010 11:37 AM  
**To:** ATF  
**Cc:** Newell, William D.  
**Subject:** Firearms recovered

**ATF**

Would you please identify the number of weapons recovered yesterday and clarify whether there are 2 or 3 firearms in evidence at this point. The SAC is forwarding a briefing paper so Acting Director Melson can discuss this with the Director of the Border Patrol and we would like to include that info.

Thanks!

**Phoenix Gun Runner Impact Teams (GRIT)  
Performance Report  
May 24, 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)	ATF	ATF
Number of New Investigative Leads		
<b>Total Leads</b>		
Number of Leads Investigated		
Number of New Actual Criminal Cases Opened	ATF	ATF
Number of Existing Investigations Supported by GRIT		
Number of Defendants Recommended for Prosecution	0	0
Number of Referrals to U.S. LE Agencies	0	0
Number of Liaison Activities with the Gov. of Mexico	ATF	ATF
Number of Firearms/Other Evidence Seized/Recovered by ATF or Other LE Agencies Acting on ATF Information	ATF	ATF
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
Number of FFL Inspections Initiated		
Number of FFL Inspections Completed	ATF	ATF
FFL Adverse Actions Recommended:		
Number of Warning Letters/Warning Conferences		
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	ATF	ATF

Criminal Enforcement

Phoenix VII

785115-10-0004 OPERATION FAST & FURIOUS

This OCDETF case: [redacted] ATF

**ATF**

ATF [redacted]

There are

many facets to this investigation but ATF is attempting [redacted] ATF

**ATF**

Tucson I

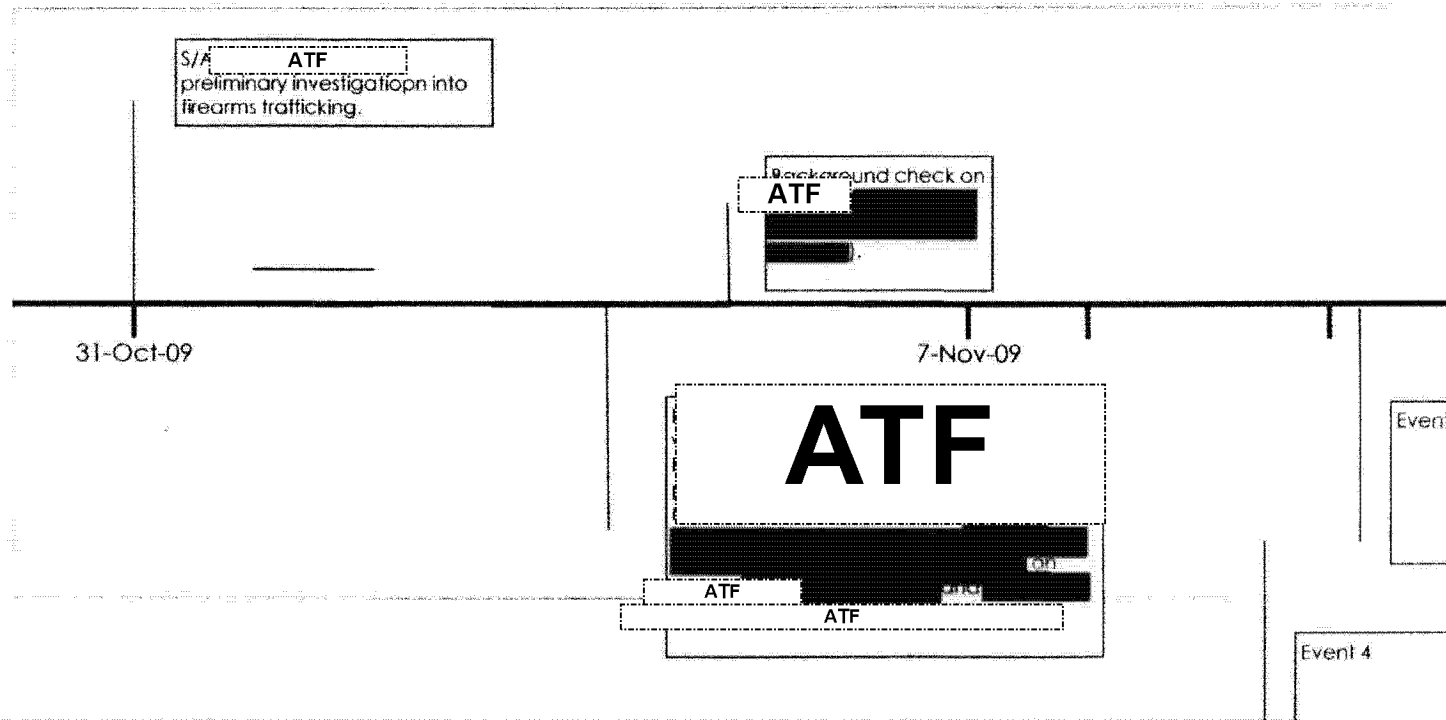
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# Timeline



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