

June 22, 2011

The Honorable Eric Holder Jr.
Attorney General of the United States
United States Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Attorney General Holder:

I write to request that copies of all documents delivered to the Chairmen and Ranking Members of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the House Committee on the Judiciary in connection with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' Project Gunrunner and Operation Fast and Furious be delivered to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, to me as its Chairman and Senator Grassley as our Ranking Republican Member. I also request that any documents made available for inspection by the bipartisan staff of those two House Committees in this regard likewise be made available for inspection by the bipartisan staff of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary under the same terms and conditions as made available to the House Committees. Finally, I request that any witnesses made available for interviews by the staffs of the House Committees in this regard be made available for interviews by bipartisan staff of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

Since I have prepared this letter in an effort finally to allow the Senate to vote on the President's nominations of Jim Cole to be Deputy Attorney General, Lisa Monaco to be Assistant Attorney General for National Security and Virginia Seitz to be Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel, my request is not intended to become operative until after the Senate Majority Leader has proceeded to those nominations, the debates are concluded and the Senate has voted on each of them.

Sincerely,

PATRICK LEAHY
Chairman

cc: Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Ranking Republican Member