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Molly,

Apparently, tomorrow the House OGR minority is holding a "Review" of Fast and Furious at 10:00 a.m. in Russell 428A, the Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurial Committee Room. They've no formalized list of witnesses yet - but they expect one former Department official. Is anyone from OLA working on this "hearing"?

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I think this is the minority day of hearings Cummings requested at the previous hearing. I will find out more.

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Rep Cummings To Hold Hearings On ATF Gun-Tracking Operation. Main Justice (6/29, Turner) reports, "The ranking Democratic member of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform will hold a hearing on the flow of illegal guns between the US and Mexico on Thursday in response to recent controversy over a botched gun-trafficking program." Rep. Elijah E. Cummings (D-MD) "called for the forum after several weeks of roiling revelations about the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' Operation "Fast and Furious," which allegedly allowed thousands of US firearms to be trafficked into Mexico in violation of federal law. The operation is currently under a congressional investigation led by Chairman Rep. Darrell Issa (R-Calif.) and Sen. Charles Grassley (R-Iowa), the Senate Judiciary Committee's ranking member, who held several hearings on the program earlier this month and have said they plan to hold high-level Justice Department officials accountable."