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DEA

From: Gaston, Molly (ATF)
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In all of the recent interviews ([ATF] McMahon, Martin), HOCR has asked lots of questions about how F&F started, and have asked leading questions that suggest they believe it started based on the [DEA]. None of our witnesses has confirmed that—none of them know exactly how it started ([ATF] came into Phoenix after it started and the other two didn't know the details).

In the [ATF] interview, Steve and Jason asked targeted questions about DEA/FBI involvement. They asked specifically about whether [DEA] was working with [DEA]. [ATF] confirmed. They then asked how, and Greg wouldn't let him answer. They asked if the brothers were deported, and [ATF] said he thought they were by DEA, and that FBI brought them back in on immigration parole (SP?). They asked if [DEA] was funneling money to [DEA] and [ATF] said that that is his understanding now. They asked if it was possible if DEA/FBI had information that would have been helpful, and [ATF] said yes, knowing what is known now—but said he didn't know when what information was knowable. They asked if [DEA] was a paid informant, and Greg would not allow [ATF] to answer.