

From: Gillett, George T. Jr.

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 12:43 PM

To: [REDACTED] **ATF**

CC: Newell, William D.; [REDACTED] **ATF**

Subject: Conference Call

Attachments: cartel strategy2.doc

Folks –

There will be a conference call tomorrow at 10:00 AM.

The Department of Justice has produced a strategy in support of addressing the SWB/Cartel led violence and surrounding issues. As this directly impacts and affects ATF's mission, the purpose of the call will be to discuss this strategy (see attachment) in preparation for the SWB conference in San Diego next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

Please read the attached document before the conference call details to you.

ATF

will schedule the call and forward the

Thank you,

George T. Gillett

Assistant Special Agent in Charge

ATF - Phoenix Field Division

Office: (602) 776-5400

From: Gillett, George T. Jr.

Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 10:45 AM

To: [REDACTED] **ATF**

CC: Newell, William D. [REDACTED] **ATF**

Subject: [REDACTED] **ATF**

Hello [REDACTED] **ATF**

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Unrelated

She is the case agent on a southbound firearms trafficking investigation that is being closely monitored by DAD McMahon (FO) and DAD Martin (OSII). We are anticipating significant investigative movement in the next 5-10 days and need [REDACTED] **ATF** to be in Phoenix to coordinate the investigation.

Unrelated

Thank you, and please contact me if you have any questions.

From: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 10:17 AM
To: V [ATF]
Subject: RE: Latest Trafficking Case

Unrelated

From: [ATF]
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 8:15 AM
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Subject: RE: Latest Trafficking Case

I just spoke with [ATF] and she stated she sent him the list last week, maybe are talking apples and oranges but according to SA [ATF] he sent [ATF] that he requested last week...

Thanks,

[ATF]

From: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 6:45 AM
To: [ATF]
Cc: [ATF]
Subject: Fw: Latest Trafficking Case
Importance: High

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Please coordinate with Intel and see [ATF] can assist with this request.

Thanks.

George T. Gillett
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
ATF, Phoenix Field Division

[ATF]

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From: [ATF]
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Sent: Mon Dec 14 08:03:51 2009
Subject: Latest Trafficking Case

George – I know my folks made contact last week while I was away from the office. DAD McMahon has tasked us with doing a link analysis on [ATF]'s case, in order for him to brief AD Chait, who will in turn brief a DOJ Attorney on new SWB operational plans and use this case as an example. Sorry, if this word did not come down the field ops chain to you all.

My folks are under a time crunch, need to print out link analysis by tomorrow (Tuesday). They still need the Suspect Gun List that NTC provided [ATF] at the end of last week, in order to complete their chart. Can you please remind her to

send it to ⁴ **ATF** Much appreciated.

Call me if you have questions or concerns. **ATF** cell.

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Chief Criminal Intel Div

ATF

From: **ATF**

Sent: Sunday, December 13, 2009 11:53 PM

To: **ATF**

Subject:

I HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE SUSPECT GUN LIST FROM PHOENIX WITH THE PURCHASERS NAMES IN ORDER TO COMPLETE YOUR REQUEST.

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Team Leader

Field Intelligence Support Team - Southwest Border
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
Intelligence Operations Specialist

Office: **ATF**

Cell:

Fax: **ATF**

Email: **ATF**

From: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Sent: Friday, January 08, 2010 4:05 PM
To: Newell, William D.
CC: **ATF**
Subject: Briefing Paper
Attachments: briefing paper II (3).docx

Bill –

Status BP on the ongoing trafficking investigation.

George T. Gillett
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
ATF - Phoenix Field Division

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**Phoenix Field Division
Phoenix Group VII (SWB Group)
Briefing Paper on: 785115-10-0004**

Background

1. This investigation has currently identified more than ^{ATF} 20 individual connected straw purchasers. More suspects are being identified as the scope of the investigation expands.

ATF

(September 2009 – present) this group has purchased in excess of 650 firearms (mainly AK-47 variants) for which they have paid cash totaling more than \$350,000.00.

2. To date there have been five (5) notable seizure events connected with this group, and approximately 53 firearms originally purchased by this group have been recovered. Three of these seizures have been in the Country of Mexico, one recovery in Douglas, AZ, and one recovery in Nogales, AZ. The U.S. recoveries were both believed to be destined for Mexico.

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8. On January 5, 2010, ASAC Gillett, GS [REDACTED] and case agent SA N [REDACTED] met with AUSA Emory Hurley, who is the lead, federal prosecutor on this matter. Investigative and prosecution strategies were discussed and a determination was made that there was

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gathered. This investigation was briefed to United States Attorney Dennis Burke, who concurs with the assessment of his line prosecutors and [REDACTED] this investigation.

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Center (EPIC) and the weapon(s) will be interdicted prior to their crossing of the Mexican border.

10. A joint strategy/de-confliction meeting is planned for Friday, January 15, 2010, with representatives from ICE, DEA, and ATF. This investigation, as well as other ongoing investigations, will be briefed to all present.

Investigative Techniques Used to Date

11. To date in this investigation we have utilized numerous proactive, advanced investigative techniques:

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Strategy

12. This investigation is currently being conducted in conjunction with the Phoenix DEA OCDETF strike force. ATF Phoenix VII is the lead investigating enforcement group. A formal OCDETF proposal is completed and will be presented on January 26, 2009, in furtherance of this investigation.

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From: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Sent: Monday, January 04, 2010 4:09 PM
T **ATF**
Subject: FW: briefing paper II
Attachments: briefing paper II.docx

From: **ATF**
Sent: Monday, January 04, 2010 10:29 AM
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Subject: briefing paper II

**Phoenix Field Division
Phoenix Group VII (SWB Group)
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Additional Resources

10. This investigation is a Southwest Border “Gunner” investigation initiated by Phoenix Group VII. Group VII did not exist in FY’09 and was newly formed FY’10 under the Southwest Border Strategy to focus on investigations involving the trafficking of firearms to Mexico

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11. ATF Group VII is totally reliant on other groups and TFO to provide additional bodies. If those agents or TFO have other investigative priorities ATF If one or more

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12. It is hereby respectfully requested that additional bodies be brought in for the purpose of ~~aiding/assisting in this investigation, mainly in~~ the capacity of surveillance ATF will necessitate intensive, possibly round the clock, surveillance to prevent firearms from traveling south into the Country of Mexico ATF

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From: ATF
 Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 7:37 AM
 To: ATF
 Subject: FW: 1/8/10 Tijuana Seizure RFI

FYI- In re: 1-08-2010 Tijuana Seizure

From: ATF
 Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 7:16 AM
 To: ATF
 Subject: FW: 1/8/10 Tijuana Seizure RFI

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From: ATF
 Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 7:08 PM
 To: ATF
 Cc:
 Subject: FW: 1/8/10 Tijuana Seizure RFI

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I have annotated my corrections. Please let me know if you need more info. It appeared to me like 3 or 4 of the guns could

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Firearm Information

Manufacturer: ATF

Type: ATF

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Caliber:
 Model:
 Serial Number:

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Country:

T20100014087

Manufacturer:

Caliber:

Model:

Serial Number:

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Type:

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T20100014084

Manufacturer:

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Thanks!!!

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Intelligence Research Specialist

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

SWB Field Intelligence Support Team

DESK: ATF

CELL: ATF

FAX: ATF

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From: **ATF**
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 12:07 PM
To: **ATF**
Subject: RE:

Sounds like fun. Fighting w/ ICE already huh? That didn't take too long.

ATF
Special Agent
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
Los Angeles Field Division, Glendale Group 1
Des: **ATF**
Fax:

From: **ATF**
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 8:57 AM
To: **ATF**
Subject: RE:

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matter of time. Get ready for Mexican firearms trafficking [REDACTED] when you get here or shortly thereafter.

Good times!

From: **ATF**
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 9:43 AM
To: **ATF**
Subject:

Hi, **ATF**

I hope all is well on your end. How is the transition to life in Phoenix for you and your family going? I wanted to let you know that my current SAC has ruled and I will NOT be authorized to take my current GOV with me when I report to Phoenix. Just wanted to give you a heads up on that.

How are things in the group shaping up? Is our office space in the Division currently or have you guys already migrated to DEA space?

ATF
Special Agent
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
Los Angeles Field Division, Glendale Group 1

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From: ATF
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2010 9:27 AM
To: ATF
Subject: RE: Ref Traces
Attachments: mexican seizures.xlsx

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-Attached is a spreadsheet I made which has all the firearms related to 7851115-10-0004 straw purchasers. Hope that helps.

From: ATF
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2010 4:38 PM
To: ATF
Subject: FW: Ref Traces

ATF

Just a little confusion over serial numbers, traces submitted, etc...can double check some of our data? Thanks!

From: ATF
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2010 1:02 PM
To: ATF
Subject: Ref Traces

ATF

Below are firearm serial numbers' that I cannot find any traces on them in E-Trace. I was not sure if they were traced yet. Just let me know.

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Thanks,

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From: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2010 5:53 PM
To: [REDACTED] **ATF**
Subject: RE: Bodies to El Paso

Thank you, [REDACTED] **ATF**

From: [REDACTED] **ATF**
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2010 12:10 PM
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Subject: RE: Bodies to El Paso

I think we are all good. Another thing I forgot to mention is that Sa [REDACTED] **ATF**
[REDACTED] **ATF**

From: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2010 11:41 AM
To: [REDACTED] **ATF**
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: BODIES TO El Paso

Thank you, [REDACTED] **ATF** please let me know if you need additional support.

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From: [REDACTED] **ATF**
To: Gillett, George T. Jr.
Cc: [REDACTED] **ATF**
Sent: Mon Mar 22 14:39:21 2010
Subject: Bodies to El Paso
George,

We believe we are correct in that [REDACTED] **ATF** [REDACTED] d ordered up guns to

[REDACTED] **ATF**

[REDACTED] **ATF**

[REDACTED] **ATF**

[REDACTED] **ATF**

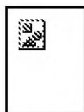
Group Supervisor

[REDACTED] **ATF**

From: **ATF**
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2010 8:33 AM
To: **ATF**
CC: **ATF**
Subject: Suspect Gun Inquiry 0711710

ATF

So those suspect guns that were supposedly seized on 3/11 were actually seized on 2/25/10. I've attached everything that's in the NFORCE seizure event. I will talk with **ATF** figure out why they were supposedly seized on the 11th and to change the date on the trace. **ATF** a look at the F/A's as you will see in the section below. So mystery solved and another one opened.



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TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA, MEXICO FIREARM RECOVERY

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NFORCE: 162080-10-0001

Title: DECOMISO - SEIZURE BULLETIN - 02/25/2010 - TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA

IRS: **ATF**

Date: February 25, 2010

Event: Elements with the Policia Estatal Preventiva (PEP), arrested four subjects with ties to Raydel Lopez Uriarte "El Muletas" and Teodoro Garcia Simental "El Teo" Organization

Location: Along Laurel Street, inside of Colonia El Florido second section, in Tijuana, Baja California

Case Number: Not Specified

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Criminal Group/Org.: Teodoro Garcia Simental "El Teo" Organization

Firearms/Explosives:

- 4 AK-47 7.62x39 caliber rifles
- 1 AR-15 .223 caliber rifle
- 2 5.7 caliber handgun
- 1 9mm handgun
- 1 .38 caliber handgun
- 1 .40 caliber handgun

Magazines:

- 22 magazines, various caliber

Ammunition:

- nearly 1,000 rounds, various caliber

Tactical Equipment:

- 13 tactical vests

Uniforms:

- 9 Police style uniforms with PGR and SEIDO logos

Communication Equipment:

- 11 VHF/UHF radios, with Mexican Police frequencies programmed

Currency: N/A

Other Objects: N/A

Drugs: N/A

Vehicles: N/A

Synopsis: On February 25, 2010, Elements with the Policia Estatal Preventiva (PEP), arrested four subjects with ties to Raydel Lopez Uriarte "El Muletas" and Teodoro Garcia Simental "El Teo" Organization along Laurel Street, inside of Colonia El Florido second section, in Tijuana, Baja California. Authorities seized 4 AK-47 rifles, 1 AR-15 rifle, 2 5.7 caliber handgun, 1 9mm handgun, 1 .38 caliber handgun, 1 .40 caliber handgun, 22 magazines, nearly 1,000 rounds, tactical gear, uniforms, and 11 radios with Mexican Police frequencies programmed.

SUMMARY OF EVENT:

Arrests and seizure of firearms by the Baja California State Police of a cell belonging to the "El Teo" Organization on February 25, 2010, in Tijuana, Mexico.

NARRATIVE:

On the above date, elements of the Baja California State Police arrested 5 members of a cell associated with the "El Teo" organization in Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico.

This group was armed with the below described weapons and was allegedly on its way to murder the the Public Safety Secretary Lt Col. Julian Leyzaola, when they were intercepted by the State Police (PEP). They were armed with five long guns and five handguns, vests and a large assortment of ammunition.

From the examination of the guns by SSA Wall, these appeared to be the same type of weapons that are coming out of the Phoenix, Arizona area and have been seen in other cases tied to groups loyal to "El Teo".

The following firearms were inspected:

Four of the guns are Romania, Romarm GP WASR 10/63 UP AK- 47 type rifles, 7.62X39mm, all had been converted to fire full auto

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One is an Alexander Arms LLC, US Army Radford Arsenal, BEOWULF .50 caliber rifle, made on a Rock River Arms LAR-15 receiver, Cleveland, Ill, serial number obliterated

Two are FN HERSTAL 5 7 semi-auto pistols, caliber 5.7mmX28mm, imported by

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One Ruger P94, 9mm pistol, serial

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One EAA Witness, caliber .38 super, semi-auto pistol, serial number

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One Smith and Wesson, Model 39-2, 9mm semi-auto pistol, serial number

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The subjects also had five ballistic vests and tactical gear such as holsters and magazine carriers Along with a large assortment of ammunition for all the firearms.

The subjects were arrested at the corner of???

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Intelligence Research Specialist
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
SWB Field Intelligence Support Team

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FAX: 202-648-9682

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Email: **ATF**

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From: [REDACTED] ATF
Sent: Thursday, April 15, 2010 11:13 PM
To: [REDACTED] ATF
Subject: RE: Surveillance needs

[REDACTED] ATF

I will have to check with the fixed wing crew in the morning...they're gone for the night.

[REDACTED] ATF will check with them to see if they can help you out in some way, shape or form; I'm sure we'll be able to get you the help you'll need.

Call me on my cell [REDACTED] ATF you need to get a hold of me...thx!

From: [REDACTED] ATF
Sent: Thu 4/15/2010 3:36 PM
To: [REDACTED] ATF
Sub: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ATF

[REDACTED] ATF

1. [REDACTED] ATF
2. [REDACTED]

Thanks,

[REDACTED] ATF

Group Supervisor
Phoenix Group VII

[REDACTED] ATF

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From: Hurley, Emory (USAAZ) [Emory.Hurley@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 04, 2010 6:19 PM

To: ATF

Subject: RE: Meeting with ATF

ATF

I am not going to be able to make May 11. I should be clear May 13 and 14. Sorry about this, can we move it further back in the week?

From: ATF (TF)

Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 3:11 PM

To: ATF Hurley, Emory (USAAZ)

Subject: Meeting with ATF

To all,

Per some previous e-mails from ATF as requested to meet with us regarding this case. We have arranged a meeting for:

Tuesday, May 11, 2010 @ 3:00 pm, location - SGC

I hope this works for everyone. Thanks!

ATF

Group Supervisor

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From: ATF
Sent:
To: ATF
Subject: Re: Meeting

ATF

I am back intown and my week is a bit like yours... do you have any openings next week?

ATF

Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

From: ATF
Date: Mon, 3 May 2010 13:54:46 -0400
To:
Sub: ATF

ATF

To date I still have not received an acceptable date from the attorney that would work for his schedule. In an effort to not have this meeting in August may I suggest we just set a date and inform him of the meeting, it may be our best hope. My week is actually a little bit crazy but Wednesday, May 5, 2010 anytime would work. We at the ATF appreciate your continued support in our mission and look forward to meeting with you.

Regards

ATF

Group Supervisor
Phoenix Group VII

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From:

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Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 4:50 PM

To: ATF

Subject: RE: Town Hall Meeting with Deputy Director on Thursday at 10 AM

In the spirit of ATF please define business professional dress.

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Special Agent - Bureau of ATF
Phoenix Group VII

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From: ATF

Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 10:42 AM

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Subject: RE: Town Hall Meeting with Deputy Director on Thursday at 10 AM

Please see attached message and plan on attending!

From:

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Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 10:31 AM

To: Phoe-Group I; Phoe-Group II; Phoe-Group III (IO); Phoe-Group IV, Intel; Phoe-Group V; Phoe-Group VI (IO); Phoe-Group VII (IO); GRIT Phoenix IOI; Intel; GRIT Phoenix IOI

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Cc: Needles, James R.; Gillett, George T. Jr.; Cook, Nancy F.

Subject: Town Hall Meeting with Deputy Director on Thursday at 10 AM

All supervisors, special agents, industry operations investigators, support staff, task force officers and GRIT personnel currently assigned to the Phoenix Metro Area are expected in the third floor (new) office space (201 E. Washington Street) for a Town Hall Meeting with Deputy Director Melson and Assistant Director Chait, on Thursday June 10th at 10:00 AM. Dress is business professional.

NOTE: There will be a meeting on Wednesday for Tucson Metro Area personnel. No satellite offices are expected to attend.

Thank you.

ATF

Acting Division Operations Officer

U.S. Department of Justice - ATF
201 E. Washington Street - Suite 940
Phoenix, Arizona 85003-2400

ATF

From:

ATF

Sent: Monday, June 7, 2010 1:55 PM

To: Phoe-CE Supervisors; Phoe-IO Supervisors

CC: Cook, Nancy F.; Phoe-Group IV, Intell

Subject: Request Submissions for SWB Briefing Paper

Attachments: SWB Briefing Paper - June 1, 2010.docx

Supervisors,

Please reply with any submissions you might have by C.O.B. Wednesday June 9th for the SWB Briefing Paper. Please include the case number and title. Please only submit cases that have updated information included. I have attached the last briefing paper for your review.

Thank you.

ATF

Acting Division Operations Officer

U.S. Department of Justice - ATF

201 E. Washington Street - Suite 940

Washington, DC 20535-0128

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LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE

**Southwest Border Initiative
(Project Gunrunner)****Biweekly Update****June 1, 2010**

The following is a biweekly update on significant events related to the Southwest Border Initiative. The information is collected from the different ATF offices involved in this initiative and intended for ATF use only.

FIELD OPERATIONS**DALLAS FIELD DIVISION****Investigations:****El Paso Field Office**A large, bold, black "ATF" logo is centered within a dashed rectangular box that occupies the lower half of the page.

Phoenix II**ATF****Phoenix Group VII (OCDETF Strike Force)**

785115-10-0004 Operation Fast and Furious: This OCDETF case is a large scale firearms trafficking case with the firearms being recovered either in the Republic of Mexico or on/near the U.S./Mexico border (El Paso, TX,

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From: Newell, William D.

Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2010 8:38 PM

To: [REDACTED] ATF

Subject: Re: [REDACTED] ATF bdate with photos from last Friday

I love it - "guns, what guns? Oh, those guns..".

Bill Newell

Special Agent in Charge

ATF Phoenix Field Division (AZ and NM)

[REDACTED] ATF

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From: [REDACTED] ATF

To: Newell, William D.

Sent: Thu Jun 24 20:27:48 2010

Subject: Patino update with photos from last Friday

[REDACTED] ATF

[REDACTED] ing South on I-10 towards Tucson. They had 10 firearms purchased by [REDACTED] the truck with them that they were "unaware of."

[REDACTED] ATF

[REDACTED] ATF

Group Supervisor

Phoenix Group VII

[REDACTED] ATF

From: Newell, William D.
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 10:19:45 PM
To: **ATF**
Subject: Re: SIR

Great job, please convey my thanks to all involved. Also, I am asking HQ for money to extend those detailees that want to stay. Money is only one issue though, the other is their SACs may not approve and I won't push that with them if they don't.

Bill Newell
Special Agent in Charge
ATF Phoenix Field Division (AZ and NM)

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From: **ATF**
To: Significant Activity Report
Cc: Needles, James R.; Newell, William D.
Sent: Thu Jul 08 22:15:23 2010
Subject: SIR

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES
SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION REPORT

DATE: July 08, 2010
FROM: Phoenix Field Division
FIELD OFFICE: Phoenix VII Field Office

CASE INFORMATION

CASE NUMBER:
CASE TITLE:
SPECIAL AGENT:
TELEPHONE NUMBER:

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SYNOPSIS OF INCIDENT/ACTIVITY:

Recovery of ten (10) WASR 7.62 caliber rifles.

NARRATIVE OF INCIDENT/ACTIVITY:

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From: **ATF**
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 11:36 AM
To: Phoe-CE Supervisors; Phoe-IO Supervisors
CC: Phoe-Group IV, Intell; Cook, Nancy F.
Subject: Request for SWB Briefing Paper Submissions
Attachments: SWB Briefing Paper - June 28, 2010.docx

Supervisors,

Please reply by noon Thursday July 8th with any submissions you might have for the SWB Briefing Paper. I will use the investigation narratives (related to GRIT cases) for this week's GRIT report, as well. Please remember to include any SWB liaison functions. I have attached the latest paper for your review.

Thank you.

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From: [REDACTED] ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 8:20 PM
To: Cal [REDACTED]
CC: M [REDACTED] ATF
Subject: RE:

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I am not sure if you are referring to firearms from the US in general or firearms related to our case. We were not aware of any firearms related to our case being used in any homicides. If this has occurred, would you please forward or send the reports because this is information that we do not have.

Thank you,

ATF

From: [REDACTED] ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 5:14 PM
To: [REDACTED] ATF
Subject: Re:

When r u guys taking that case down? Some of those guns have been used in homicides here.

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From: [REDACTED] ATF
To: Cal [REDACTED]
Cc: Ma [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed Jul 28 20:11:12 2010
Subject: RE:

ATF

I spoke with Hope. She does not want any information released [REDACTED] ATF Thank you for the offer [REDACTED]

Thanks,

ATF

From: [REDACTED] ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 3:29 PM
To: [REDACTED] ATF
Subject: RE:

I will keep trying, the only way they might bring that gun here is if I tell them a little about the case

From: [REDACTED] ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 5:21 PM
To: [REDACTED] ATF

Subject: RE:

Ha ha...I don't know about that. I got a lot of time left before that ever happens. I am still anticipating celebrating the completion of the required 3 yr probation period on August 19th. ☺ Thank you for checking though. I appreciate it.

From: ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 3:08 PM
To: ATF
Subject: RE:

By the time the red tape clears to move that gun, u will be the director. The area where it's at is in the heart of Sinaloa Cartel country, nobody from the USG is going there. A picture is all we can do

From: ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 5:03 PM
To: ATF
Cc: ATF
Subject: RE:

Okay. This one would be a good f/a recovery to be able to present at trial. Any possibility that they will retain it until we are able to examine it or move it to a safer location for examination?

Thanks,

ATF

From: ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 2:51 PM
To: ATF
Cc: ATF
Subject:

ATF

The 50. Cal that was recovered is in an area of Mexico that's unsafe for USG travel. In other words it's too dangerous for us to go there and look at it. The military is sending us pictures.

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From: ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 1:32 PM
To: ATF
Sub: ATF

Here's the email chain.

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*Special Agent
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
Phoenix Field Division - Group VII*

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From: ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 10:27 AM
To: ATF
Subject: ATF

Ok good stuff

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From: ATF
To: ATF
Sent: Wed Jul 28 13:24:43 2010
Subject: RE: ATF (un)

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of guns from the suspects in this case.

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*Special Agent
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
Phoenix Field Division - Group VII*

Cell: ATF

From: ATF
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 10:19 AM
To: ATF
Sub: ATF

How many 50 cals did this guy buy? Is he still buying guns? And r u guys taking off any guns before they get here.

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From: ATF
 To: G ATF
 Sent: Wed Jul 28 12:10:51 2010
 Subject: RE: ATF

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good estimate.

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Special Agent
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 Phoenix Field Division - Group VII

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From: ATF
 Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 10:04 AM
 To: ATF
 Subject: ATF

When are u guys going to take these guys down?

From: ATF
 Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 11:56 AM
 To: ATF
 Cc: ATF
 Subject: ATF

ATF

Good day. I am the acting supervisor in Phoenix Group VII while G ATF is on A/L. I spoke w/ SA ATF who is the co-case agent on the investigation involving the purchaser of the .50 caliber rifle in question. The purchaser

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What types of information can we provide for you? Please let us know so that we can get you what you need.

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Special Agent
 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
 Phoenix Field Division - Group VII

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From: ATF A.
 To: ATF
 Cc: ATF
 Sent: Wed Jul 28 12:34:45 2010
 Subject: FW: Barrett (Under suspect gun)

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Can you follow up with Supervisory Special Agent ATF the Mexico Country Office regarding the below. Your support in this matter will be highly appreciated.
 Thanks!

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From: ATF

Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 9:32 AM

To: ^{ATF}Quinn, Louis A.

Subject: FW: ^{ATF}

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From: A ^{ATF}

Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 11:05 AM

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Subject: ^{ATF}

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h you please send out a referral to :

Requestor: ATF Office

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PHOENIX FD GROUP VII

201 E WASHINGTON ST STE 940

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

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Agent First Name:

Agent Badge No.:

ATF Case No.:

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785115-1U-0004

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Trace number

Suspect gun

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Thank you.

From: Larson, Brian (USAAZ) [Brian.Larson@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2010 3:33 PM
To: ATF
Subject: Re: PGR document

Thanks.

From: ATF J. (ATF)
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2010 03:18 PM
To: Larson, Brian (USAAZ)
Subject: PGR document

Brian,

Off of that PGR document I gave you a copy of today. We had 5 firearms on that document off of our Fast & Furious OCDETF case (Emory is AUSA.)

Just thought I would let you know,

ATF
Group Supervisor
Phoenix Group VII

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From: Newell, William D.
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 6:03 PM
To: [REDACTED] **ATF**
Subject: FW:
Attachments: EL NAVAJAS.ppt

This relates to the big shootout two weeks ago in Sonora. Two rival DTOs went at it, Sinaloa and Juarez I believe. Maybe Jose Wall has more details. I told Carlos we were within 45-60 days of taking this down. If the

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From: [REDACTED] **ATF**
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 2:50 PM
To: Newell, William D.
Subject: FW:

Bill at least one gun recovered in this shootout comes back [REDACTED] **ATF** s case. What's the status. I anticipate questions from the GOM and Ambo. I can [REDACTED] **ATF**

From: Aguirre, Ignacio [REDACTED] **ATF**
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 12:10 PM
To: C [REDACTED] **ATF**
Cc: F [REDACTED]
Subject:

Pictures on the shooting. The weapons are the ones I requested for trace on the previous e-mail.

Thanks

*Ignacio Aguirre
Mexico City, Attaché
ICE Representative*

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From:

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Sent: Wednesday, September 01, 2010 9:16 PM

To: ATF

Subject: RE: DCN Requests

I'll plan on being there tomorrow, although Friday I need to go down to Tucson and qual. Then I'll be back full time next week. I have a few cases to wrap up in Tucson, but nothing to big at all.

From:

ATF

Sent: Wednesday, September 01, 2010 5:53 PM

To: ATF

Subject: RE: DCN Requests

We look forward to you, I already have cases for you. If you want to grab them to start looking at them etc. I know you are helping in Fast and Furious and that is the priority but if you get any down time guns keep flying off the shelves and somehow ending up in Mexico...go figure.

Any anticipated dates for your arrival? I need to get you your DEA building pass/photo.

Thanks

From:

ATF

Sent: Wednesday, September 01, 2010 5:44 PM

To: ATF

Subject: DCN Requests

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I just submitted 2 DCN requests – the first was for August (the 1st but hadn't it looks like). The 2nd is only for the next 11 days. Then I won't submit any more DCN requests, case, but I sure was going to try and milk it for what I could.

Unrelated

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Thanks a million for supporting me coming to Group 7. I'm really excited!

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