From: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ) To: Sherwood, Robert (USAAZ) < Contractor>; Burke, Dennis (USAAZ) CC: Morrissey, Mike (USAAZ); Hurley, Emory (USAAZ) 3/4/2011 7:58:04 PM Sent: Subject: Response to Press Inquiries into Southwest Border Investigations Arizmendez indictment.pdf; Chavarin.pdf; Gaede indictment.pdf; Manriquez indictment.pdf; Attachments: Molindaindictment.pdf Robbie: Here are the materials we just spoke of: Quote of Assistant Attorney General Ronald Weich in his February 4, 2011 letter: "At the outset, the allegation described in your January 27 letter-- that ATF "sanctioned" or otherwise knowingly allowed the sale of assault weapons to a straw purchaser who then transported them into Mexico—is false." Regarding the question DP Answer: DP DP Regarding the LA Times and CBS News stories, DP DP

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