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Thought Issa was flat yesterday on Fox. No subpoenas today, but did get a letter. Gave the below as response, DOJ official.

“These recycled allegations continue to be baseless, no matter how many times they are repeated.

“From the start, the Attorney General took the concerns about certain tactics used in the Fast and Furious operation seriously, which is why the first steps he took were to ask the Inspector General to investigate the matter and to ensure agents and prosecutors knew such conduct violated Department of Justice policy and would not be tolerated.

“The Department will continue to cooperate with both the Inspector General and congressional investigations. In the meantime, what the American people deserve is less partisan showboating and more responsible solutions to stopping gun violence on the Southwest Border.”

And, clearly the committee didn't carefully review the docs before writing the latest letter -

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