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Sent: Monday, April 01, 2013 8:39 PM

To: Barre Catherine M; Lerner Lois G; Weber Richard Cc: Sinno Suzanne; Flax Nikole C; Vozne Jennifer L

Subject: Re: Hearing

Cathy,

I can pretty much work around anything but would like to avoid 2 -3pm if possible.

From: Barre Catherine M [mailto:Catherine.M.Barre@irs.gov]

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From: Barre Catherine M

Sent: Monday, April 01, 2013 9:21 PM **To:** Lerner Lois G; Weber Richard

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I spoke to the Senator Whitehouse staff tonight and gave him the bullet points on the blackletter law I thought irs could address at a hearing (application process; 990 filing and timing of review; referrals generally; 7206). He indicated that the committee would find such testimony helpful.

We agreed that we would endeavor to set a time for a conference call on Tuesday to accomplish 2 things:

- 1) to have the substantive experts give a better overview of what IRS could discuss (and for you to correct anything I messed up on that tonight) and
- 2) as a courtesy to our IRS witness, particularly given the short timing, to have a candid discussion about the types of questions he expected the Chairman to raise with the IRS witness and for the IRS to let him know what we thought we could and couldn't answer (or what we thought we could answer but that would be sensitive from a tax administration perspective to share in an open hearing).

He was reasonable and appreciative. Although he understands the IRS won't answer hypotheticals or discuss any particular taxpayer, the fact pattern they are mulling is an entity holding itself out as a c4 that checks a box on an irs form indicating that it has no political activity. The same entity then files with the FEC detailing expenditures related to a campaign. I expect him to ask tomorrow on the call whether

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. I think that is a "fair game" question for the hearing as well unless you dispose of it otherwise

tomorrow.

My schedule tomorrow is difficult and I will join the call if I am able but I don't want to hold back the group given the timing—Suzie, please don't schedule around me.

Lois and Rich, what time works for you tomorrow to talk to the staff so we (Suzie) can send him some good windows of time? Nikole/Jennifer, would you like to be on the call – if so, please let us know good times?

Thanks.

Cathy