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**From:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City)  
**To:** 'Laura.Sweeney2@usdoj.gov'  
**Sent:** 3/8/2011 6:55:25 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Need Guidance on ATF case

Not trying to be difficult, but do you have any TP I can send him?

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**From:** Sweeney, Laura (SMO) <Laura.Sweeney2@usdoj.gov>  
**To:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City); Raman, Mythili (CRM) <Mythili.Raman2@usdoj.gov>; Schmalder, Tracy (SMO) <Tracy.Schmalder@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce (CRM) <Bruce.Swartz@usdoj.gov>; Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Weinstein, Jason (CRM) <Jason.Weinstein@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tue Mar 08 16:33:25 2011  
**Subject:** RE: Need Guidance on ATF case

Give me two seconds and I'll send you some general points we're using.

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**From:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City) [mailto:GarciaAP@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 5:29 PM  
**To:** Sweeney, Laura (SMO); Raman, Mythili (CRM); Schmalder, Tracy (SMO)  
**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce (CRM); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Weinstein, Jason (CRM)  
**Subject:** Re: Need Guidance on ATF case

Looks good. Thank you. Can I send it?

Tony

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**From:** Sweeney, Laura (SMO) <Laura.Sweeney2@usdoj.gov>  
**To:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City); Raman, Mythili (CRM) <Mythili.Raman2@usdoj.gov>; Schmalder, Tracy (SMO) <Tracy.Schmalder@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce (CRM) <Bruce.Swartz@usdoj.gov>; Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Weinstein, Jason (CRM) <Jason.Weinstein@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tue Mar 08 16:12:31 2011  
**Subject:** RE: Need Guidance on ATF case

What if we nuanced it just a little:

Ambassador,

# DP

Tony

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**From:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City) [mailto:GarciaAP@state.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 4:58 PM

**To:** Sweeney, Laura (SMO); Raman, Mythili (CRM); Schmalder, Tracy (SMO)

**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce (CRM); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Weinstein, Jason (CRM)

**Subject:** Re: Need Guidance on ATF case

**Importance:** High

Below is a draft e-mail for the Ambassador regarding this issue. I'd like to send it to the Ambassador today. Can you please review it before I send it to the Ambassador?

Ambassador,

DP

Tony

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**From:** Sweeney, Laura (SMO) <Laura.Sweeney2@usdoj.gov>

**To:** Raman, Mythili (CRM) <Mythili.Raman2@usdoj.gov>; Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City); Schmalder, Tracy (SMO) <Tracy.Schmalder@usdoj.gov>

**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce (CRM) <Bruce.Swartz@usdoj.gov>; Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Weinstein, Jason (CRM) <Jason.Weinstein@usdoj.gov>

**Sent:** Tue Mar 08 11:56:40 2011

**Subject:** Re: Need Guidance on ATF case

Finding in my email - can definitely pull together general TPs for him to use based on that guidance,

DP

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**From:** Raman, Mythili (CRM)

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 12:53 PM

**To:** Sweeney, Laura (SMO); Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City) <GarciaAP@state.gov>; Schmalder, Tracy (SMO)

**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce (CRM); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City) <SnyderCA@state.gov>; Weinstein, Jason (CRM)

**Subject:** RE: Need Guidance on ATF case

Laura – Lanny wants to respond to the Ambassador. What type of guidance did we give State yesterday and do we anticipate that we will work with State to get out a statement today?

**From:** Sweeney, Laura (SMO) [mailto:Laura.Sweeney2@usdoj.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 12:26 PM

**To:** Raman, Mythili; Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City); Schmalder, Tracy (SMO)

**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce; Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Weinstein, Jason

**Subject:** RE: Need Guidance on ATF case

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As soon as AG briefing is done, I can work on it.

**From:** Raman, Mythili (CRM)

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 12:23 PM

**To:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City)

**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce (CRM); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Weinstein, Jason (CRM); Sweeney, Laura (SMO)

**Subject:** RE: Need Guidance on ATF case

Adding Jason and Laura.

Laura – Was there a decision made on whether a statement was going to be done?

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**From:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City) [mailto:GarciaAP@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 12:02 PM  
**To:** Raman, Mythili  
**Cc:** Swartz, Bruce; Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City)  
**Subject:** FW: Need Guidance on ATF case  
**Importance:** High

Mythili,

Chris and I met with the Ambassador regarding the ATF issue this morning. The Ambassador sent an e-mail (which is included below) to Lanny and Bruce. As you can see from the Ambassador's e-mail, the Mexican Senate is holding hearings Wednesday. The Ambassador expressed a need to get ahead of the curve on this issue. Since Bruce is out of the US I thought we needed to make sure someone else in the front office saw the e-mail and possibly someone from the Press Office who is prepping remarks for Lanny and the AG.

Please let me know when you have a second to discuss this issue.

Tony

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**From:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 9:41 AM  
**To:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City)  
**Subject:** FW: Need Guidance on ATF case

Fyi

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**From:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 9:41 AM  
**To:** 'Breuer, Lanny A.'  
**Cc:** Feeley, John D (Mexico City); 'Swartz, Bruce'; 'Restrepo, Daniel A.'  
**Subject:** Need Guidance on ATF case

Lanny –

I need help on getting a statement and guidance on the ATF case. It is front page news every day, and now it is creeping into the policy and political discussions.

DP

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The Mexican Senate is holding hearings Wednesday. The head of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee says I should be PNGed because of course I should have known that ATF was allowing arms to flow across the border. The concern about me is secondary –

DP

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As you can see below, I have gone back and forth with Ken, and he can't get something cleared with OPA. I understand that Holder has a hearing tomorrow and you have the event on the CJ RICO case at 3:00, so you have your own interests to get out a more accurate story.

DP

Thanks,  
Carlos

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**From:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City)  
**To:** Melson, Kenneth E.  
**Cc:** Feeley, John D (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** Mon Mar 07 21:05:41 2011  
**Subject:** Re: Per Call Monday PM 7 March 2011

Can we say the following?

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**From:** Melson, Kenneth E. <Ken.Melson@usdoj.gov>  
**To:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City)  
**Cc:** Feeley, John D (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** Mon Mar 07 19:24:28 2011  
**Subject:** RE: Per Call Monday PM 7 March 2011

Dennis' comments are at OPA in DOJ for clearance. These are the ones we sent to them today to prepare something for you. I should probably check in the morning.

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