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**From:** Smith, Brad (ODAG)  
**To:** Goldberg, Stuart (ODAG)  
**Sent:** 3/8/2011 7:23:29 PM  
**Subject:** RE: New Fast and Furious Development

Thanks, Stuart. I am sorry I missed you. I was actually meeting with Matt Axelrod. He called me late this morning and told me that he would be joining ODAG next week and would be picking up ATF as part of his portfolio. I was just bringing him up to speed on some of the current issues. Matt will be a great addition to the office, and I will work with ATF to make sure we transfer everything smoothly.

The only thing I wanted to confirm with you were some points Ken raised about his meeting with the DAG. It's nothing urgent, and Ken's understanding is that he needs to coordinate anything Gunrunner-related with ODAG.

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**From:** Goldberg, Stuart (ODAG)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2011 1:02 PM  
**To:** Smith, Brad (ODAG)  
**Subject:** RE: New Fast and Furious Development

Brad - I have few minutes right now if there are other issues that you need to bring me up to date on.

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**From:** Smith, Brad (ODAG)  
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**Cc:** Monaco, Lisa (ODAG)  
**Subject:** New Fast and Furious Development

Stuart,

Billy Hoover just dropped by my office to brief me on a new Fast and Furious development that ATF HQ learned late this morning. Essentially, in interviews with some of the major straw purchasers arrested in connection with Fast and Furious, [REDACTED] ATF

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I understand that Ken Melson is meeting (or has met) with Lanny today to discuss the issue, and I have a call into to Jason Weinstein to make sure everyone is on the same page.

One issue I wanted to flag: You may recall from discussions last week that John Solomon from the Center for Public Integrity suggested that [REDACTED] the agency [REDACTED] ATF [REDACTED] some firearms as they crossed the Mexican border. ATF does not know if Solomon's allegation is connected in any way [REDACTED] ATF [REDACTED] but I wanted to flag the issue.

Thanks,

Brad