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Dear USAs:

Thank you for your time this evening, I wanted to send this just to summarize our telephone conversation and inform those of you who were unable to participate.

First, thank you for the work you do to fight gun trafficking. It is very important.

As I said on the call, to avoid any potential confusion, I want to reiterate the Department's policy: We should not design or conduct undercover operations which include guns crossing the border. If we have knowledge that guns are about to cross the border, we must take immediate action to stop the firearms from crossing the border, even if that prematurely terminates or otherwise jeopardizes an investigation.

We know you have difficult jobs to do and we fully support and appreciate your efforts to stop the flow of firearms through the apprehension and prosecution of all responsible parties.

As I said on our call, please make sure the SACs in your districts understand the policy.

Jim