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To: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ); Gwinn, Laura (CRM); Sweeney, Laura (SMO); Jaffe, David (CRM)
CC: Clemens, Shelley (USAAZ); Sherwood, Robert (USAAZ) <Contractor>; McCormick, Glenn (USAAZ)
Sent: 3/9/2011 5:26:35 PM
Subject: RE: Wide Receiver

Pat –

Seems like the misplaced feeding frenzy is in full motion. We had a press conference on the consulate murders case (Mexico) and the first two questions were about Fast and Furious. We will be steering any and all press efforts (CBS and whoever else) to Laura Sweeney. Laura let us know some details yesterday re: Wide Receiver that were helpful and quite contrary to this notion of “intentionally letting guns go to Mexico.”

Hang in there –

Jim

From: Cunningham, Patrick (USAAZ) [mailto:Patrick.Cunningham@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 4:14 PM
To: Trusty, James; Gwinn, Laura
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Subject: Wide Receiver

Jim and Laura: Good to talk to Laura about this today. This request below is what we had as the request and you probably have seen it already. Tracy was handling. We did not provide Defendant DOBs as they requested orally to our press officer as they are not in the public record. No interviews of ATF have been granted to my knowledge.

If you put together any information on the case, please forward to us and we will do likewise. Shelley Clemens is our contact on the gun cases from Tucson. Thanks! PJC

From: Attkisson, Sharyl [mailto:SAC@cbsnews.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 10:15 AM
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Subject: New Info/Iview Request

Tracy:

A number of sources have described instances prior to Fast and Furious in which ATF allegedly knowingly allowed weapons to get into the hands of suspected cartel suppliers similar to the allegations in Fast and Furious. One such example provided is the Operation known as “Wide Receiver.” Others are the cases against defendants Medrano, Ramos, et.al. Final sentencing in that case was Aug. 10, 2010. The US Attorneys were Dennis Burke, Diane Humetewa and Joelyn Marlowe.

We’d like an on camera to ask about these allegations, but I know you have said pending the IG investigation you aren’t doing any. If that’s still the case, can you provide us with any sort of comment via email at least? **We need it by approximately noon today** so we can do some further reporting on whatever your position is.

Will you also pass along the following interview requests to the appropriate people at ATF (they have deferred to DOJ on some requests), including the subjects themselves: We’d like to interview Mr. Newell and ATF with the Phoenix office (in addition to the standing requests we have). We believe these

men have knowledge and information that could shed light on the allegations.

Thanks so much.

Sharyl