
From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)
To: Reich, Steven (ODAG); Weich, Ron (SMO)
Sent: 8/25/2011 7:14:09 PM
Subject: FW: Four issues you raised with the DAG yesterday
Attachments: Good Faith First Step.docx

Here's what I just sent back to Ken.

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From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)
Sent: Thursday, August 25, 2011 7:13 PM
To: Melson, Kenneth E. (ATF)
Cc: Hoover, William J. (ATF)
Subject: RE: Four issues you raised with the DAG yesterday

Ken,

It was a great event yesterday. Thanks for inviting me. I've attached a copy of the "term sheet" you requested. Please remember though -- this document was drafted by Senator Grassley's staff, reflected Senator Grassley's position at a particular point in time during negotiations, and was never agreed to or accepted by the Department. To the contrary, as I mentioned below, the ground rules concerning interviews were set with HOGRC staff prior to the drafting of this document by Senator Grassley's staff; the resolution reached with Senator Grassley did not alter those preexisting ground rules in any way (other than to allow for the presence of Senate Judiciary Committee staff during the interviews). In other words, this document does not bear on the actual issue you've raised.

That said, the preexisting ground rules negotiated with HOGRC do not permit a witness to receive a copy of his transcript -- they just permit the witness to review it. So, to the extent that McMahon is asking to receive a copy of the transcript, I don't think HOGRC is obligated under the ground rules to provide one. If instead, McMahon is asking to go and review a copy, they are obligated under the ground rules to permit such review. I'll talk to Steve and Ron about how best to straighten this out with Committee staff.

Matt

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From: Melson, Kenneth E. (ATF)
Sent: Thursday, August 25, 2011 6:16 PM
To: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG)
Cc: Hoover, William J. (ATF)
Subject: RE: Four issues you raised with the DAG yesterday

Matt: Thank you again for responding to the four issues I raised personally with the DAG on August 22, 2011 and for attending our awards ceremony. As I hope you saw, ATF does a lot of great work.

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As always, we appreciate your help and guidance. Thanks. Ken.

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From: Axelrod, Matthew (ODAG) [mailto:Matthew.Axelrod@usdoj.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:59 PM

To: Melson, Kenneth E.

Subject: Four issues you raised with the DAG yesterday

Unrelated

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Matt