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Fw: Letter

Good explanation of the present situation.

From: Terwilliger, Michelle L. [mailto:Michelle.Terwilliger@ic.fbi.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 08:41 PM
To: Figueroa, Jesse (USAAZ); Granoff, Liza (USAAZ); Evans, John (USAAZ) 3
Subject: FW: Letter

From: Terwilliger, Michelle L. Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 5:35 PM To: Cannon, Jeffrey L. Subject: FW: Letter

Jeff,

I just talked with John Evans, Liza, and Jesse about this paragraph. It looks like Jesse and Liza will be replaced. This has been released to Wall Street Journal and other media outlets.

What is frustrating is that we have made numerous and ongoing attempts to identify the individuals who arranged for the weapons to be over here for the group. We first knew the individual who had a weapons connection in AZ only as El Pariente. We have since identified El Pariente as Rosario Burboa-Alvarez, a Mexican National. I had Border Patrol put a hit in their system for him in case he is arrested so I can at least talk to him. I also had BP put a hit on his brother Manuel as he may have information about the weapons also.

We obtained Court Orders for subscriber information and tolls for 6 telephone numbers that El Pariente was in contact with in Arizona. I am currently analyzing these numbers. I have provided these records to ATF to compare against their phone numbers. I am still waiting to hear back from them.

I have also looked at four of the subscribers who could be identified: criminal histories, relatives, residences. I can't tell you how many times and how long I have looked at these subscribers in Choicepoint, trying to link even 3rd degree relatives somehow to the BPA Terry subjects or the ATF subjects based on a residence or one last name. I would love to know every person the guns passed through before they ended up at the scene.

I just requested a mail cover yesterday for one of the subscribers since the telephone number was identified as a landline. And I will see if anybody receiving mail at this address may be linked to another identified subscriber, one of the known BPA Terry subjects, or connected to one of the ATF subjects. This may be Burboa-Alvarez' girlfriend as he talked to her around the date of the BPA Terry murder, and hers was the only phone number he called on Christmas last year.

We are planning to talk to all of the subscribers after we hopefully arrest Ivan, Jesus, and Laco in Mexico. We do not want to talk to them before as we do not want them to get the chance to tip off Burboa-Alvarez, who will probably then inform the three who may flee. We want them to think that they have not been arrested because we have nothing linking them to the murder.

I have identified a 520 number which may have dropped off food supplies for the group, to include ammunition. Unfortunately the subscriber was a fictitious name. But hopefully, through telephone numbers this number contacted, we will eventually be able to identify and charge this individual also.

I was present in the free talk of the straw purchaser, **ATF** earlier this year. I was present when the free talk with

Martinez-Gonzalez (person who **ATF** said he purchased/gave the weapons to) was cancelled. My presence there was arranged by Jesse or Liza. Writing this email, I just received a call from AUSA Kristen Brook informing me that they have rescheduled the free talk for Martinez-Gonzalez next week.

As for the following paragraph in the letter:

Additionally, given your office's entanglement in Operation Fast and Furious, we remain concerned that the current prosecution team on the Terry murder might be hesitant to develop additional evidence on other potential defendants who may have ties to Operation Fast and Furious. Witnesses in the congressional investigation have related that the suspects in the Terry criminal case told law enforcement officers they obtained the weapons found at the murder scene in backpacks that were stashed in a hiding place near the scene. A thorough prosecution would identify the accomplices who placed the weapons-filled backpacks near the scene and bring appropriate charges against them.

We know that the weapons were not stashed in backpacks near the scene. What is more disturbing is this paragraph makes it appear that the FBI and the US Attorney's Office are not fully investigating the weapons in this case. As you can see above, we are trying to figure out how these weapons ended up at the scene.

Also, I informed John DeSouza of potential security concerns since Manuel is currently in FCI.

Thanks, Michelle

From: Granoff, Liza (USAAZ) [mailto:Liza.Granoff@usdoj.gov] Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 3:50 PM To: Terwilliger, Michelle L. Subject: Letter		
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From: Evans, John (USAAZ) 3 Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 3:32 PM To: Granoff, Liza (USAAZ); Figueroa, Jesse (USAAZ) Cc: Clemens, Shelley (USAAZ) Subject: FW: New Letter from Chairman Issa & Senator Grassley re: USAO-Arizona		
This is now been released to the Wall Street Journal and other outlets. Please read this.	DP	
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From: Scheel, Ann (USAAZ)
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 3:27 PM
To: Evans, John (USAAZ) 3
Subject: FW: New Letter from Chairman Issa & Senator Grassley re: USAO-Arizona

Ann Bírmíngham Scheel Acting U.S. Attorney/Fírst Asst. U.S. Attorney Díst. of Arízona Desk: (602) 514-7518 Cell: **Privacy** From: Pings, Anne (USAEO)
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 8:15 AM
To: Scheel, Ann (USAAZ)
Cc: Jarrett, Marshall (USAEO); Wong, Norman (USAEO)
Subject: FW: New Letter from Chairman Issa & Senator Grassley re: USAO-Arizona

Hi Ann -

For your information, attached is some new correspondence from Issa and Grassley which is addressed to you. However, the ODAG / OLA team will respond as noted below. They will be in touch with you if they haven't been already.

Thanks -Anne

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From: Weich, Ron (SMO) [mailto:Ron.Weich@usdoj.gov]
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To: Reich, Steven (ODAG) (JMD); Colborn, Paul P (SMO) (JMD); Schmaler, Tracy (SMO) (JMD); Crabb, John D. (USADC); Ramirez, Monica (ODAG) (JMD); Pings, Anne (USAEO); Richardson, Margaret (OAG) (JMD)
Cc: Burton, Faith (SMO) (JMD); Admin. Assistant (JMD)
Subject: New Letter from Chairman Issa & Senator Grassley re: USAO-Arizona

FYI. Can someone (Anne Pings?) let Ann Scheel know that we will coordinate the response to this letter and will be in close touch with her about it.

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From: Admin. Assistant (JMD) Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 10:55 AM To: Burton, Faith (SMO); Gaston, Molly (SMO) Cc: Weich, Ron (SMO) Subject: FW: Letter from Chairman Issa & Senator Grassley

See the enclosed letter from Issa and Grassley. Thanks, Admin. Assistant

Admin. Assistant

From: Pinto, Ashok [mailto:Ashok.Pinto@mail.house.gov] Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 10:52 AM To: Admin. Assistant (JMD) Subject: Letter from Chairman Issa & Senator Grassley

Dear Admin. Assistant

Attached is a letter with attachments from Chairman Issa and Senator Grassley to Ms. Ann Birmingham Scheel of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona. Please confirm receipt and let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ashok

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