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Subject: FW: Bi-Weekly SW Border Briefing Papers

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Thoughts? Thanks. FB

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Will you be offering detailed briefings on the other cross border events as you did in the ATF matter?

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Jason, Mr. Newell seems to make reference to the ROIs to demonstrate how hard the agents were working during a particular time period, rather than with regard to the actual contents. Since we haven't yet finished our review, we can't answer your other questions about the ROIs at this point.

We've checked with Mr. Pelletier, who has advised that the Department did not provide him with ROIs or other documents. He noted that there was a Fox News article on 9/21 that states that he had access to case materials, but in fact, he had been speaking about a memorandum that he read on the New York Times website.

Finally, you asked about references that Mr. Newell made in his interview to events in 2007, when firearms crossed the border into Mexico. We have provided you with documents on such events with the following bates numbers: HOCR ATF 1905-1911; HOCR ATF 2239-2259; HOCR ATF 2269; HOCR ATF A 1515-1518; HOCR ATF A 2460-2464; and HOCR ATF A 2468-2469.

Hope that's helpful, but please let us know. Thanks. Faith & Molly

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Thanks Molly. Footnote 11 also references "55 reports of investigation" prepared by the three agents working the case during the first six weeks. There are several places where specific dates and times of

events are described (e.g. p. 7), which appear to be based on these ROIs. I presume these 55 ROIs are among those being withheld from the Committees, which Faith and I were discussing yesterday. Is that accurate?

Did the Department provide Mr. Pelletier copies of these ROIs, the bi-weekly briefing papers, or any other documents apparently used in the preparation of this submission?

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Subject: RE: Bi-Weekly SW Border Briefing Papers

Jason,

We've produced lots of ATF's Southwest Border Initiative Biweekly Updates. For instance, Batch 4, which was produced on 6/14 and begins with bates "HOCR ATF – 001268," is composed entirely of these updates, which are multi-subject documents describing cases throughout the Southwest Border. These updates appear continually throughout our productions.

Thanks,
Molly

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Subject: Bi-Weekly SW Border Briefing Papers

Mr. Newell mentions in footnote 5 of his supplemental statement to the Committee a "Bi-Weekly SW Border Briefing Paper." Have those been produced to us? Can you please provide the bates numbers if so?

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