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Subject: FW: AG letter re Fast & Furious --

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From: Weich, Ron (OLA)
Sent: Saturday, October 08, 2011 6:10 PM
To: 'Schiff, Adam B.'; Lowenstein, Jeff
Subject: RE: AG letter re Fast & Furious --

Thanks again Congressman. I don't think Serrano quoted you in the article he wrote for today's paper, but it is useful for him to regard you as a source on this matter in the future.

From: Adam B. Schiff
Sent: Friday, October 07, 2011 5:41 PM
To: Weich, Ron (OLA); Lowenstein, Jeff
Subject: Re: AG letter re Fast & Furious --

Hey Ron,

I read the letter and memos and spoke to the reporter. I don't know whether he will quote me (its fine if he does), but either way it gave me a chance to share my thoughts and hopefully put the allegations in context. I made essentially two points -- that this was a meritless attack on the AG that was a harmful distraction to the work we need the AG to do, and that it was also a poor use of time for the congress which could be acting on things that would really help -- like legislation on long gun sales/higher penalties on straw purchasers. We are going to get together for lunch soon. (Jeff, please ask maureen to set up.). Hope this is helpful. Adam

Sent using BlackBerry

From: Weich, Ron
Sent: Friday, October 07, 2011 03:52 PM
To: Schiff, Adam B.; Lowenstein, Jeff
Subject: AG letter re Fast & Furious --

Congressman Schiff – Thanks very much for your willingness to speak to reporters about this matter. As we discussed, I have attached the letter the Attorney General has sent to the three Chairmen and three Ranking members today. I will send Jeff the attachment (in two segments because it is voluminous).

The LA Times reporter is Rick Serrano. His contact information is:

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You or Jeff can call me at 202-514-2125 if there are questions. -- Ron