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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

FROM: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 
SUBJECT: SECOND AMENDMENT ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE

For too long, the Second Amendment, which establishes the fundamental individual right of Americans to keep and bear arms, has been treated as a second-class right. No more. It is the policy of this Department of Justice to use its full might to protect the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens.

President Trump has made protecting the Second Amendment rights a priority for this administration. As he explained, "[t]he Second Amendment is an indispensable safeguard of security and liberty," because it "is foundational to maintaining all other rights held by Americans." Executive Order 14206 § 1 (Protecting Second Amendment Rights). To that end, President Trump has directed me to propose a plan of action designed "to protect the Second Amendment rights of all Americans." *Id.* § 2(a).

As one element of a comprehensive plan of action that I am proposing to the President, I am hereby creating a Second Amendment Enforcement Task Force. This task force will continue the Department's ongoing work to implement Executive Order 14206 and protect the fundamental right secured by the Second Amendment. The Task Force is principally charged with developing and executing strategies to use litigation and policy to advance, protect, and promote compliance with the Second Amendment.

I will serve as the Chair of the Task Force and the Associate Attorney General will serve as the Vice Chair. The Task Force will be further composed of representatives from my personal staff, the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, the Office of the Associate Attorney General, the Office of the Solicitor General, the Civil Division, the Civil Rights Division, the Criminal Division, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and any other components or representatives that I may from time to time designate to assist in the Task Force's labors.