

Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 12:41 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: ethics review

Thx Sarah

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 05, 2017 12:06 PM
To: Herridge, Catherine
Cc: Japaridze, NuNu
Subject: Re: ethics review

Yep

On Jun 5, 2017, at 11:58 AM, Herridge, Catherine <Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thank you Sarah - confirming the review is now complete and no blocks to SC Mueller proceeding.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 5, 2017, at 11:52 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Yep we put out this a while back:

What is the answer on the ethics waiver:

GOVERNMENT ETHICS REGULATION 5 CFR § 2635.502

Government ethics regulations permit the Department of Justice to authorize an employee to participate in a matter where their former employer represents a party. While we cannot confirm or deny the applicability of the regulation to the matters to which Special Counsel Mueller was appointed, we can confirm that the Department ethics experts have reviewed the matters and determined that Mr. Mueller's participation in the matters assigned to him is appropriate.

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY ISSUE

DC and Virginia do not impute to a former firm lawyer all of the clients of the firm. Under the Rules of Professional Responsibility, Mr. Mueller is permitted to participate in matters involving his former firm's clients so long as he has no confidential information about the client and did not participate in the representation. While we cannot confirm or deny that Mr. Mueller's former firm represents an individual or individuals who are within the scope of the Special Counsel appointment, the Department's ethics experts have considered the relevant issues and determined that Mr. Mueller's appointment as Special Counsel is consistent with the Rules of Professional Responsibility.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Herridge, Catherine [<mailto:Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 11:39 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Japaridze, NuNu <NuNu.Japaridze@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: ethics review

Hi Sarah

Wanted to check if the ethics review is ongoing or has concluded. Many thx.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/justice-department-will-review-possible-ethics-conflicts-involving-muellers-former-law-firm/2017/05/18/fff63f00-3bfa-11e7-a058-ddbb23c75d82_story.html?utm_term=.efc1cc404ffd

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 8:57 AM
To: Cody.Derespina@foxnews.com
Subject: RE: Fox News question

Decline to comment

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores [mailto: (b) (6)]
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 8:51 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Fox News question

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From: **Derespina, Cody** <Cody.Derespina@foxnews.com>
Date: Mon, Jun 5, 2017 at 7:52 AM
Subject: Fox News question
To: (b) (6) Sarah Flores " (b) (6) Sarah Flores

Hi Sarah,

Does DOJ have any response to this morning's tweets from the president pushing DOJ to present a version of the travel ban that's not "watered down" to the Supreme Court? And requesting an expedited hearing?

Thanks,

Cody Derespina
Fox News

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Sarah Isgur Flores

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@whignewtons

Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 6:45 PM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: Re: Fox News inquiry

Thanks much.

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
(b) (6)
@JakeBGibson

On Jun 2, 2017, at 6:40 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hi Lesa,

Sorry I missed your call but was on the metro. We'll decline to comment but as guidance would highlight this paragraph:

In an interview separately Friday with the AP, Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein acknowledged that Mueller could expand his inquiry to include Attorney General Jeff Sessions' and Rosenstein's own roles in the decision to fire Comey, who was investigating the Trump campaign.

That is where the AP ties its headline and lede, to that acknowledgement by Rosenstein.

Best,
Peter

On Jun 2, 2017, at 6:00 PM, Jansen, Lesa <Lesa.Jansen@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi Mr. Carr, I've left of voicemail for you- I wanted to see what you could give us on the AP report that says the special counsel's office has expanded its investigation to include the separate criminal probe involving Paul Manafort as well as possibly expanding the investigation to include Attorney general Sessions and Deputy AG Rosenstein's roles in the decision to fire former FBI Director Comey? Thank you—
Lesa

Lesa Jansen
White House Producer

FOX News

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WASHINGTON (AP) – The special counsel investigating possible ties between President Donald Trump's campaign and Russia's government has taken over a separate criminal probe involving former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort, and may expand his inquiry to investigate the roles of the attorney general and deputy attorney general in the firing of FBI Director James Comey, The Associated Press has learned.

The Justice Department's criminal investigation into Manafort, who was forced to resign as Trump campaign chairman in August amid questions over his business dealings years ago in Ukraine, predated the 2016 election and the counterintelligence probe that in July began investigating possible collusion between Moscow and associates of Trump.

The move to consolidate the matters, involving allegations of kleptocracy of Ukrainian government funds, indicates that Special Counsel Robert Mueller is assuming a broad mandate in his new role running the sensational investigation. The expansiveness of Mueller's investigation was described to the AP. No one familiar with the matter has been willing to discuss the scope of his investigation on the record because it is just getting underway and because revealing details could complicate its progress.

In an interview separately Friday with the AP, Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein acknowledged that Mueller could expand his inquiry to include Attorney General Jeff Sessions' and Rosenstein's own roles in the decision to fire Comey, who was investigating the Trump campaign. Rosenstein, who appointed Mueller as special counsel to take over the investigation, wrote the memorandum intended to justify Trump's decision to fire Comey. Sessions met with Trump and Rosenstein to discuss Trump's decision to fire him despite Sessions' pledge not to become involved in the Russia case.

Rosenstein told the AP that if he were to become a subject of Mueller's investigation, he would recuse himself from any oversight of Mueller. Under Justice Department rules, Mueller is required to seek permission from Rosenstein to investigate additional matters other than ones already specified in the paperwork formally appointing Mueller.

"I've talked with Director Mueller about this," Rosenstein said. "He's going to make the appropriate decisions, and if anything that I did winds up being relevant to his investigation then, as Director Mueller and I discussed, if there's a need from me to recuse I will."

Peter Carr, a spokesman for Mueller, declined to comment on the scope of the investigation.

Mueller, who spent 12 years as FBI director and served under Republican and Democratic presidents, was appointed as special counsel following the May 9 firing of Comey, who is expected to testify for the first time next week before the

Senate.

Mueller's assignment, detailed in a one-page order signed by Rosenstein, covers the federal investigation into possible links or coordination between Russia and associates of the Trump campaign but also "any matters that arose or may arise directly" from the probe. It would also extend to any allegations of perjury, witness intimidation or obstruction of justice uncovered during the course of the investigation.

As Mueller's investigation begins, members of Congress are intensely interested in its direction and scope.

The Justice Department began looking at Manafort's work in Ukraine around the beginning of 2014, as Ukraine's president, Viktor Yanukovich, was toppled amid protests of alleged corruption and Russian influence. Business records obtained by the AP show Manafort's political consulting firm began working as early as 2004 for clients that variously included a political boss in Yanukovich's party, a Ukrainian oligarch and Oleg Deripaska, a Russian businessman and longtime ally of Russian president Vladimir Putin.

A special counsel, by design, is constrained by the terms of his appointment to avoid boundless and perpetually open-ended investigations. In this case, though, Mueller's mandate appears fairly broad, said Samuel Buell, a former federal prosecutor and criminal law professor at Duke University.

"That investigation that's named in the appointment is already one that has, as far as we can tell, a number of tentacles and offshoots that involves conduct over a fairly lengthy period of time involving a lot of people," Buell said.

He said he did not expect Mueller to seek Rosenstein's approval each time he wants to subpoena another new witness or pursue a new Russia-related investigative thread. The more difficult question would involve any allegations separate and apart from Russia, he said.

"This gives him the authority to pull on all kinds of string and see where they lead him," Buell said. "As long as you're following a string that's connected to the string of Russian influence on the election – however that may have occurred, whoever that may have involved – would seem to fall within that appointment."

Manafort's work in Ukraine continued at least through the beginning of 2014, when Yanukovich's government was ousted amid protests of widespread corruption and his rejection of a European trade deal in favor of one with Moscow. As the AP reported last year, that work included covertly directing a lobbying campaign on behalf of Ukraine's pro-Russian Party of Regions in Washington. Following the AP's reporting on emails in which Manafort deputy Rick Gates was overseeing the work, two lobbying firms involved in the project registered as foreign agents. Manafort has not done so, and a spokesman for him has declined to say if he will.

Associated Press writers Chad Day and Stephen Braun contributed to this report.

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Lesa Jansen
White House Producer
FOX News

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 6:10 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: Re: Anything?

Read the whole story before reporting. The headline is sensational.

On Jun 2, 2017, at 6:05 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

AP-US-APNewsAlert,15

WASHINGTON (AP) -- Special counsel's Trump campaign investigation includes Manafort case, may expand to include Attorney General Sessions.

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington

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@JakeBGibson

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 9:23 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA); Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Subject: Re: Filing?

Understood.

Yes... I didn't get anything and just figured maybe it was a bit late.

Thanks.

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
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@JakeBGibson

> On Jun 2, 2017, at 9:19 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Nicole--but there were email issues

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> Sarah Isgur Flores

> Director of Public Affairs

> (b) (6)

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]

> Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 9:19 AM

> To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>

> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Navas, Nicole (OPA) <nnavas@jmd.usdoj.gov>

> Subject: Re: Filing?

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> Who sent it last night?

> I was looking for it and just figured it would come out this am.

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> Thanks much,

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> Jake Gibson

> Field Producer

> Fox News Washington

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> @JakeBGibson

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>> On Jun 2, 2017, at 9:15 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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>> Nicole can resend to you. It went out last night.

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>> Sarah Isgur Flores

>> Director of Public Affairs

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>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]

>> Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 9:04 AM

>> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>

>> Subject: Filing?

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>> Do you have the filing and/or a release you can pass along?

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>> Thanks!

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>> Jake Gibson

>> Field Producer

>> Fox News Washington

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Bream, Shannon

From: Bream, Shannon
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 8:50 AM
To: Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: SCOTUS docs?

Many thanks!

Shannon D. Bream
Chief Legal Correspondent
Fox News Channel

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 2, 2017, at 8:41 AM, Navas, Nicole (OPA) <Nicole.Navas@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Good morning,

I sent you in a separate email the cert. petition and stay application in the Fourth Circuit as well as application to stay the Hawaii injunction pending appeal in the Ninth Circuit (State of Hawaii, et al v. Donald Trump, et al.). They are large files so may take some time to go through. The below statement can be attributed to Justice Department spokeswoman Sarah Isgur Flores. Thank you

“We have asked the Supreme Court to hear this important case and are confident that President Trump’s executive order is well within his lawful authority to keep the Nation safe and protect our communities from terrorism. The President is not required to admit people from countries that sponsor or shelter terrorism, until he determines that they can be properly vetted and do not pose a security risk to the United States.”

Nicole Navas Oxman
Spokesperson/Public Affairs Specialist
U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)

From: Bream, Shannon [<mailto:shannon.bream@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 8:13 AM
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Cc: Navas, Nicole (OPA) <nnavas@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: SCOTUS docs?

Thank you!

Shannon D. Bream

Chief Legal Correspondent
Fox News Channel

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 2, 2017, at 8:12 AM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b) (6) wrote:

My work email seems to be down this am. Adding Nicole who can hopefully resend to you.

From: Bream, Shannon <shannon.bream@FOXNEWS.COM>
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 6:40:45 AM
To: Sarah Isgur Flores
Subject: SCOTUS docs?

Hi, Sarah

I've reached out to SCOTUS for the documents the administration has filed regarding the "travel ban." As you may know, they rarely answer any requests outside traditional 9-5p hours. I'd love to get a look at the documents for our reporting purposes. Please let me know when we can get our hands on them.

Thank you!
Shannon

Shannon D. Bream
Chief Legal Correspondent
Fox News Channel

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Gomez, Serafin

From: Gomez, Serafin
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 8:46 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Subject: Re: Travel ban

Very much!

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jun 2, 2017, at 8:25 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:
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> Fin--
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> Nicole will resend to you now

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Duplicative Material



Navas, Nicole (OPA)

From: Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 8:08 AM
To: serafin.gomez@foxnews.com
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Travel ban

Good morning,

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Nicole Navas Oxman
Spokesperson/Public Affairs Specialist
U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)

-----Original Message-----

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 8:03 AM
To: serafin.gomez@foxnews.com; Navas, Nicole (OPA) <nnavas@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Travel ban

Fin--

Nicole will resend to you now

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 8:04 PM
To: Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM
Subject: statement

The Department of Justice appointed special counsel to assume responsibility for this matter.

We will allow him to do his job. It is unfortunate that anonymous sources whose credibility will never face public scrutiny are continuously trying to hinder that process by peddling false stories to the mainstream media. The facts haven't changed; the then-Senator did not have any private or side conversations with any Russian officials at the Mayflower Hotel.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 7:57 PM
To: John.roberts@FOXNEWS.COM
Subject: statement

On the record from me:

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Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 2:11 PM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Subject: RE: Unfilled US Attorneys

No updates on that

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b) (6)

From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 2:09 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Unfilled US Attorneys

Hey - Is there any progress on the unfilled 93 US Attorneys. Any updates you could give me?

Thanks,
Alex Pfeiffer
Reporter
The Daily Caller

Thanks,
Alex Pfeiffer
Reporter
The Daily Caller

Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 10:35 PM
To: Jeanine Pirro
Cc: Jaclyn Media Relations; Peggy Dooley
Subject: Re: Hi! When do u think the op ed will run?

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Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b) (6)

On May 28, 2017, at 10:12 PM, Jeanine Pirro (b) (6) wrote:

From: "Giuliano, Jaclyn" <Jaclyn.giuliano@FOXNEWS.COM>
Date: May 26, 2017 at 4:08:03 PM EDT
To: "Dooley, Peggy" <peggy.dooley@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Jeanine Pirro (b) (6), "Martin, Lynne Jordal" <Lynne.JordalMartin@FOXNEWS.COM>

This is great Jeanine. All fine with PR, thank you

On May 26, 2017, at 3:50 PM, Dooley, Peggy <peggy.dooley@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Yes, we'd like to run this. Thank you.
All the best,
Peggy

From: Jeanine Pirro (b) (6)]
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:42 PM
To: Giuliano, Jaclyn <Jaclyn.giuliano@FOXNEWS.COM>; Dooley, Peggy <peggy.dooley@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Fwd: Worth printing?

From: Jeanine Pirro (b) (6)
Date: May 26, 2017 at 3:30:22 PM EDT

To: Jaclyn Media Relations

<Jaclyn.giuliano@FOXNEWS.COM>, Lynne Jordal Martin

<Lynne.JordalMartin@FOXNEWS.

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Kerry Picket

From: Kerry Picket
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 4:09 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Enforcement of firearm laws

okay. thanks.

On Fri, May 26, 2017 at 3:44 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:
Will check and see. Might be too early in the year though.

On May 26, 2017, at 3:25 PM, Kerry Picket <kerry@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Hi Sarah, I was wondering if there were any numbers available about the enforcement of firearm crimes during this administration as opposed to the previous one.

Thanks,

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Kerry Picket

Reporter

Kerry@DailyCaller.com

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Kerry Picket

Reporter

Kerry@DailyCaller.com

[@KerryPicket](#)

THE DAILY CALLER

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:20 PM
To: Singman, Brooke
Subject: RE: Jana Monroe - quick question

I don't know

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Singman, Brooke [mailto:brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 10:54 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Jana Monroe - quick question

Hi Sarah,

Hope you're well. Is Jana Monroe being considered for FBI Director?

Thank you,

Brooke Singman
Politics Reporter, Fox News Channel

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Brooke.singman@foxnews.com

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:06 PM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: RE: Let me know

Okay.

On a call... be down there in 5... 10 minutes tops.

Thanks much!

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [mailto:Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:05 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: Let me know

I'm available now.

From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:37 AM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA) <pcarr@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Let me know

When you have a moment please...

Thanks,

Jake Gibson
Fox News Washington
Field Producer
Cell (b) (6)
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Jake.Gibson@foxnews.com
@JakeBGibson

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Navas, Nicole (OPA)

From: Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 9:21 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Cc: imason@breitbart.com
Subject: Re: Litigation Questions

Good morning,
The court hasn't entered an order on that subject, and no one has moved for leave so far.

Thank you,

Nicole Navas Oxman
Spokeswoman
U.S. Department of Justice

On May 25, 2017, at 5:38 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

Looping in Nicole on Number 2.

Will check on the first one but I tend to doubt we'd comment

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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From: imason@breitbart.com [<mailto:imason@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 5:37 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Litigation Questions

Hey Ian,

Two litigation related questions:

1. Will the petition for cert for the 4th circuit travel ban case be made on an emergency basis before the expiration of the order?

and

2. In County of Santa Clara v. Trump, does DOJ know if the District Court will be accepting amici for the Motion for Reconsideration?

Thanks so much,
Ian Mason

imason@breitbart.com

From: imason@breitbart.com
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 6:07 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Litigation Questions

Thanks so much. I'm going to print that they likely have to preserve this record, which I was going to write before you responded.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 5:42pm
To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: RE: Litigation Questions

Off the record on the first question, but they're still discussing options so don't have a solid answer. Will keep you posted

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Duplicative Material



Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 2:04 PM
To: Trey.Yingst@oann.com
Subject: FW: STATEMENT FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS ON LEAKS FOLLOWING THE MANCHESTER TERROR ATTACK

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From: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 1:28 PM
To: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO) <Ex_PAOMailbox@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: STATEMENT FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS ON LEAKS FOLLOWING THE MANCHESTER TERROR ATTACK



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STATEMENT FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS ON LEAKS FOLLOWING THE MANCHESTER TERROR ATTACK

WASHINGTON Attorney General Jeff Sessions today issued the following statement on the recent leaks following the Manchester terror attack:

"I share the president's deep concern and talked to Home Secretary Rudd yesterday about this matter. These leaks cannot be tolerated and we will make every effort to put an end to it. We have already initiated appropriate steps to address these rampant leaks that undermine our national security."

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 10:09 AM
To: Ian Mason
Subject: RE: What's a good number to chat?

Check out this clip: <http://mms.tveyes.com/PlaybackPortal.aspx?SavedEditID=687fac79-0b81-419b-b0b4-4722da94d984>

Also, off the record but youre right likely judiciary has the SF-86

Ian D. Prior
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-----Original Message-----

From: Ian Mason [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 9:46 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: What's a good number to chat?

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> On May 25, 2017, at 9:38 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Ian D. Prior

> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 9:54 AM
To: Ian Mason
Subject: RE: What's a good number to chat?

https://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/sf86-non508.pdf
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Roberts, John

From: Roberts, John
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 4:05 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Hi Ian..John Roberts at Fox News here

Thanks Ian...I'm good.

John Roberts
Chief White House Correspondent
Fox News Channel

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> On May 24, 2017, at 8:34 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Hey I talked to Jake Gibson. Still need to talk?

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> Ian D. Prior

> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)

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>> On May 24, 2017, at 6:36 PM, Roberts, John <John.roberts@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> Sarah told me to reach out to you. What do you have on the AG and Russia meetings not disclosed on his SF-86?

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>> Thanks,

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>> John Roberts

>> Chief White House Correspondent

>> Fox News Channel

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Snyder, Christopher

From: Snyder, Christopher
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 8:33 PM
To: O'Malley, Devin (OPA)
Cc: Karlsson, Maria; Inman, Willie
Subject: AG SESSIONS THURSDAY MEMPHIS EVENT

HELLO!

FOX NEWS WOULD LIKE TO RSVP THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL TO COVER ATTORNEY GENERAL'S MEMPHIS EVENT.

INFO BELOW. LET US KNOW IF ANY OTHER INFO IS NEEDED.

THANKS! PLEASE REPLY ALL!

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 8:26 PM
To: Murray, Andrew
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: STATEMENT ON CNN STORY

Awesome possum;)

On May 24, 2017, at 7:16 PM, Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thanks, we probably won't do anything on it other than we read the statement and laugh at CNN...we figured as much.

Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 8:13 PM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fwd: STATEMENT ON CNN STORY

Here's our statement. Ian can fill you in whenever you want. Such a nothing burger. CNN click bait fake news at its finest.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" <Ex_PAOMailbox@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Date: May 24, 2017 at 6:45:52 PM CDT
To: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" <Ex_PAOMailbox@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: STATEMENT ON CNN STORY

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STATEMENT ON CNN STORY

WASHINGTON Deputy Director of Public Affairs Ian Prior issued the following statement in response to this evening's CNN story:

“As a United States Senator, the Attorney General met hundreds if not thousands of foreign dignitaries and their staff. In filling out the SF-86 form, the Attorney General's staff consulted with those familiar with the process, as well as the FBI investigator handling the background check, and was instructed not to list meetings with foreign dignitaries and their staff connected with his Senate activities.”

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Murray, Andrew

From: Murray, Andrew
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 8:12 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: F&f tomrrow

Please email me some background information please!

-----Original Message-----

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 8:09 PM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: F&f tomrrow

Y'all going to cover this CNN piece on sessions sf86? We sent out a statement--it's a nothing burger of a story when you know the background but a great example of the media frenzy around this admin. Let me know if you want background or need ideas for guests.

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 7:21 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: Re: Anything?

Sorry, don't have anything to help here.

On May 24, 2017, at 6:19 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Active investigation?

Sent from my iPhone

On May 24, 2017, at 7:15 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Sorry, don't have anything on this.

On May 24, 2017, at 5:01 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

From: Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:15 PM
To: peter.carr@usdoj.com; Wyn.Hornbuckle@usdoj.gov
Subject: Anything?

Any info or guidance on this?

Daily Caller-

A criminal suspect in an investigation into a major security breach on the House of Representatives computer network has abruptly left the country and gone to Pakistan, where her family has significant assets and VIP-level protection, a relative and others told The Daily Caller News Foundation's Investigative Group.

Hina Alvi, her husband Imran Awan, and his brothers Abid and Jamal were [highly paid shared IT administrators](#) working for multiple House Democrats until their access to congressional IT systems was [terminated Feb. 2](#) as a result of the investigation. Capitol Police confirmed the investigation is ongoing, but no arrests have been reported in the case.

The Awans are “accused of stealing equipment from members’ offices without their knowledge and committing serious, potentially illegal, violations on the House IT network,” [according to Politico](#). Many of the Democrats who employed the Awans are members of the House Committee on Homeland Security, the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. (A list of potentially compromised members is listed below.)

Their positions gave them access to members’ [emails and confidential files](#). In addition, Imran was given the password for an iPad used by then-Democratic National Committee Chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, a Florida Democrat. The five came to the U.S. from Pakistan.

Jake Gibson
Fox News Washington

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 7:15 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Give me a call please

Ok.
Let me know when you're good.

Thanks

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
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@JakeBGibson

> On May 24, 2017, at 7:12 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Will do trying to get right Story

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> Ian D. Prior

> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)

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>> On May 24, 2017, at 7:11 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> Or a number to reach you at.

>> Need to get your side of the CNN story.

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>> Thanks,

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>> Jake Gibson

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 6:37 PM
To: Gibson, Jake; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: CNN Story

Check in w Ian I'm on a plane. Off the record--They're story is sloppy and wrong. Last paragraph tells you what you need--instructed to take it off.

> On May 24, 2017, at 6:08 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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> Any comment on record or on background about story Sessions didn't document meetings with Russians on Security Clearance documents?

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> Jake Gibson
> Field Producer
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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 12:06 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Hi there-

We found it.
Was real tough but it got located.

Thanks tho.

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
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@JakeBGibson

On May 24, 2017, at 12:03 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Don't know anything about it

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
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From: Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 8:27 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Hi there-

"The normally supportive court censured (Obama) administration officials, saying the failure to disclose the extent of the violations earlier amounted to an "institutional lack of candor" and that the improper searches constituted a "very serious Fourth Amendment issue," according to a recently unsealed court document dated April 26, 2017."

<http://circa.com/politics/barack-obamas-team-secretly-disclosed-years-of-illegal-nsa-searches-spying-on-americans>

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:25 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Fwd: Hi there-

Anything on this?

Jake Gibson
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Begin forwarded message:

From: Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM
Date: May 24, 2017 at 8:27:02 AM EDT
To: "Sarah Isgur Flores (OPA)" <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Hi there-

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Fanning, Elizabeth

From: Fanning, Elizabeth
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 11:47 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: The Truth about the AG's Charging and Sentencing Memo

Got it! I'll take a look when I get back to the office.

I'm in NYC. Tucker's staff is split between NYC and DC. Im looking to get back to D.C. Soon for a visit I go fairly often. Would love to meet in person.

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 24, 2017, at 09:59, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Want to make sure you received.
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> Also, are you in DC? Want to grab lunch or coffee next week?
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> Ian D. Prior
> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)
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> From: staff@naausa.org [mailto:staff@naausa.org]
> Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 8:29 PM
> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
> Subject: The Truth about the AG's Charging and Sentencing Memo
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> Members of the Media:
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> The National Association of Assistant United States Attorneys (NAAUSA) will hold a media briefing via conference call on Thursday, May 25, at 4:00 p.m. eastern time, on the recent changes to the Department of Justice charging and sentencing policies announced by Attorney General Jeff Sessions. Members of the press are invited to participate in the call.
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> NAAUSA President Lawrence Leiser and Treasurer Steve Wasserman will conduct the briefing.
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> The call-in numbers ar (b) (6), passcod (b) (6)
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> Please let us know if you will be participating in the call so we can reserve enough lines for all participants. If you cannot participate on Thursday and would like to be kept apprised of developments on charging and sentencing, please respond to this email with your preferred contact information.
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> Larry Leiser
> President
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> <Press Conf Q&A.pdf>

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 10:09 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: The Truth about the AG's Charging and Sentencing Memo

Thank you!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:59 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: FW: The Truth about the AG's Charging and Sentencing Memo

Want to make sure you saw

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Office: 202.616.0911
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Larry Leiser
President

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TELEPHONIC NATIONAL PRESS CONFERENCE
THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M. EASTERN TIME

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On May 10, 2017, Attorney General Sessions issued a memorandum on "Department Charging and Sentencing Policy." Since that memorandum was issued there has been considerable controversy about its meaning and implications. The National Association of Assistant United States Attorneys (NAAUSA) would like to address those issues on behalf of its members, and give the press an opportunity to explore the issues with NAAUSA representatives

We will address the following issues and questions:

1. Was the memorandum really "new instructions" or "new policy" for federal charging decisions?
2. Why is it a "core principle" of our system of justice for over 5,700 Assistant United States Attorneys to "charge and pursue the most serious readily provable offense?"
3. Have Assistant United States Attorneys lost all their discretion regarding charging?
4. Why is it necessary to have supervisory approval to deviate from the policy?
5. What effect will this policy have on state and local prosecutors?
6. Why is it necessary to "disclose to the sentencing court all facts?"
7. Why will this new policy not increase the federal prison population?
8. What are some of the benefits of this new policy to the public?
9. Why is this policy not racist?
10. Is there such a thing as a non-violent drug trafficker?
11. Who prosecutes drug users and drug addicts, and why?
12. If the policy increases prison costs, is it a price worth paying?
13. Did the previous policy reduce crime, especially in the area of drugs?
14. What does it mean to Assistant United States Attorneys to follow the Rule of Law?
15. What do you have to do to get a ten years mandatory minimum for selling one kilogram of heroin?

NAAUSA believes that we, and the press, have a high duty and obligation to get the truth out to the public on this controversial issue. We will answer the above questions and any other relevant questions you may have on this or other related issues.

The National Association of Assistant United States Attorneys is a national professional association representing the interests of Assistant United States Attorneys employed by the Department of Justice. Assistant United States Attorneys are the career-level federal law enforcement officers in the 94 United States Attorney Offices responsible for federal criminal prosecutions and civil cases involving the United States Government.

Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 10:08 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Special counsel updates

Thanks!

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
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On May 23, 2017, at 10:03 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

What is the answer on the ethics waiver:

GOVERNMENT ETHICS REGULATION 5 CFR § 2635.502

Government ethics regulations permit the Department of Justice to authorize an employee to participate in a matter where their former employer represents a party. While we cannot confirm or deny the applicability of the regulation to the matters to which Special Counsel Mueller was appointed, we can confirm that the Department ethics experts have reviewed the matters and determined that Mr. Mueller's participation in the matters assigned to him is appropriate.

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY ISSUE

DC and Virginia do not impute to a former firm lawyer all of the clients of the firm. Under the Rules of Professional Responsibility, Mr. Mueller is permitted to participate in matters involving his former firm's clients so long as he has no confidential information about the client and did not participate in the representation. While we cannot confirm or deny that Mr. Mueller's former firm represents an individual or individuals who are within the scope of the Special Counsel appointment, the Department's ethics experts have considered the relevant issues and determined that Mr. Mueller's appointment as Special Counsel is consistent with the Rules of Professional Responsibility.

Where will the special counsel team be located:

Patrick Henry Building located at 601 D Street, N.W.

Who is the best press contact:

The special counsel team has not announced their press person. We will update you when we have more information and inquiries can continue to come to OPA.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 9:26 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: County of Santa Clara v. Donald J. Trump et al Motion for Leave to File

Thanks very much

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
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@JakeBGibson

> On May 23, 2017, at 9:22 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:
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> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)
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1 (AG Memo).pdf> > <motion leave file reconsideration, attachment 2 (motion reconsideration).pdf>

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15 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

16 COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA,
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No. 3:17-cv-00574-WHO

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Attachment 1

Memorandum from the Attorney General
for All Department Grant-Making
Components (May 22, 2017)

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Attachment 2

Defendants' Notice of Motion and Motion for
Reconsideration or, in the Alternative, Clarification
of the Court's Order of April 25, 2017;
Memorandum of Points and Authorities

imason@breitbart.com

From: imason@breitbart.com
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 10:20 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE:

Fantastic, thanks again.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 10:18pm
To: "imason@breitbart. com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject:

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To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: FYI

I'm sorry is the motion itself attached?

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From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 9:43pm
To: "imason@breitbart. com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: FYI

Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 9:51 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Motion filed

thanks

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 22, 2017, at 9:45 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 3:56 PM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Subject: RE: *****Embargoed until 5:00 p.m. tonight*****ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS ISSUES MEMORANDUM ON IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 13768, "ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES"

No currently scheduled hearing

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 3:48 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: *****Embargoed until 5:00 p.m. tonight*****ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS ISSUES MEMORANDUM ON IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 13768, "ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES"

So when's the appeal hearing schedule for the california decision? Or will there not be one?

On Mon, May 22, 2017 at 3:33 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

NOTE: The memorandum is attached as a PDF.



Department of Justice

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
MONDAY, MAY 22, 2017
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AG
(202) 514-2007
TTY [\(866\) 544-5309](tel:(866)544-5309)

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OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 13768, "ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE INTERIOR OF
THE UNITED STATES"**

WASHINGTON Attorney General Jeff Sessions today issued the attached memo to all Department of Justice grant making components on the implementation of Executive Order 13768, "Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States."

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Subject: RE: Sanctuary cities

Today. Will keep yopu posted

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs Office: 202.616.0911 Cel (b) (6)

-----Original Message-----

From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 10:41 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Sanctuary cities

Hey - Is that sanctuary city memo still going to be released?

Thanks,
Alex Pfeiffer
Reporter
The Daily Caller

Sent from my iPhone

Ian Mason

From: Ian Mason
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 5:30 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Comment on Sessions Memo

I understand. Thanks very much.

> On May 19, 2017, at 5:25 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Best I can do on that on the record:
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> "The Department of Justice has an obligation under the United States Constitution to faithfully execute the laws passed by Congress and it will do so."

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> Ian D. Prior
> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Ian Mason [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
> Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 5:02 PM
> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
> Subject: Comment on Sessions Memo

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> Ian,
>
> I don't know if you saw the Rolling Stone piece yesterday about Congress "reining in" the Sessions Memo by lower drug penalties. It's the worst of a lot of bad coverage that doesn't understand how sentencing policy works.

>
> Could I get a comment confirming that it's always been DOJ's position that if Congress wants to change sentencing that is their prerogative and that the Memo is about enforcing that law as written?

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> Thanks so much,
> Ian Mason
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Koerber, Ashley

From: Koerber, Ashley
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Hey! Question for you

Thanks so much!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 2:11 PM
To: Koerber, Ashley <Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Hey! Question for you

I don't think we'll be doing any media this week but will let you know if that changes

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Koerber, Ashley [mailto:Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 2:05 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Hey! Question for you

In the event that an FBI Director gets named either today or tomorrow before or during Special Report, any chance we can get the first exclusive with AG Sessions?

Ashley Koerber
Booking Producer
Special Report w/ Bret Baier
Fox News Channel DC Bureau
(b) (6) (cell)

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 7:09 PM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: What's the deal?

Sorry we had to put it together quickly and had to limit to hard pass holders.

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs Office: 202.616.0911 Cel (b) (6)

> On May 17, 2017, at 6:18 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

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> Why didn't anyone at the Caller get the embargoed mueller email? Just curious. Seems a lot of outlets got it and not us. We have over 10 million readers.

>
> Sent from my iPhone

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 6:57 PM
To: Murray, Andrew
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)
Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Thursday)?

No media

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Murray, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 6:43 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA) <almcgowan@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Creighton, Kelly M (OPA) <kcreighton@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Thursday)?

H Sarah,

Please let us know if we can schedule Attorney General Sessions to appear on "Fox & Friends" tomorrow (Thursday) for a LIVE 5-7 minute discussion.

Thanks in advance,

Andrew Murray
Producer, Politics
"Fox & Friends"
Fox News Channel
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@andrewmurray1

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 11:21 PM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA) <Ashley.L.McGowan@usdoj.gov>; Creighton, Kelly M (OPA) <Kelly.M.Creighton@usdoj.gov>

Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Wednesday)?

Sorry for delay -we aren't doing any tv tomorrow

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Murray, Andrew [<mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 5:51 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA) <almcgowan@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Creighton, Kelly M (OPA) <kcreighton@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Subject: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Wednesday)?

Hi Sarah,

Please let us know if Attorney General Sessions is available to appear on "Fox & Friends" tomorrow for a LIVE 5 minute interview anytime between 6am - 9am ET on the firing of Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

Thanks in advance,

Andrew Murray
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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]

Sent: Friday, April 28, 2017 6:26 PM

To: Pepperman, Nicole <Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM>

Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA) <Ashley.L.McGowan@usdoj.gov>; Creighton, Kelly M (OPA) <Kelly.M.Creighton@usdoj.gov>; Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>

Subject: Re: Fox and Friends Sunday April 30th

I think we'll have to pass this time (b) (6). Thanks!

On Apr 28, 2017, at 6:21 PM, Pepperman, Nicole <Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi and Good Afternoon,

Thank you for conducting the interview with AG Sessions this Monday on Fox and Friends. I would like to see if there is ability to schedule a follow-up for our weekend audience on Sunday April 30th, between 6a-10a EST.

Thank you in advance and please let me know!

From: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA) [<mailto:Ashley.L.McGowan@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 3:10 PM
To: Pepperman, Nicole
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Murray, Andrew; (b) (6)
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

I'll be the POC tomorrow morning. My cell (b) (6), desk numb (b) (6). If you need anything else please let me know.

Thanks,
Ashley

On Apr 23, 2017, at 2:58 PM, Pepperman, Nicole <Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

I am includin (b) (6) on the chain here. He is the photog coming tomorrow. He would like to know the POC for tomorrow. Can someone please pass on the the cell or any contact information for him?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 1:37 PM
To: Pepperman, Nicole
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Murray, Andrew
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

That works! Thanks.

On Apr 23, 2017, at 12:56 PM, Pepperman, Nicole <Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

OK- would 8:00am hit live work for tomorrow? Does anything else need to change?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 12:51 PM
To: Pepperman, Nicole
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Murray, Andrew
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

He has to be clear by 8:10. So this hit time won't work. Can we do 8am?

On Apr 23, 2017, at 11:05 AM, Pepperman, Nicole
<Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Subject: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Wednesday)?

Duplicative Material

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 8:13 AM
To: Rosenbaum, Rachel
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

He was supposed to be clear 2 minutes ago! Please wrap

On Apr 24, 2017, at 6:09 AM, Rosenbaum, Rachel <Rachel.Rosenbaum@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Good morning!

Below are the updated topics for AG Sessions' segment this morning. Let me know if you have any questions!

TOPIC 1) PRESIDENT TRUMP PUSHES CONGRESS FOR BORDER WALL FUNDING AS GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN LOOMS

<http://abcnews.go.com/Politics/wireStory/budget-deadline-looms-trump-pushes-border-wall-funding-46977790>

TOPIC 2) SANCTUARY CITIES FIRE BACK AT DOJ

TOPIC 3) REACTION TO ABC INTERVIEW YESTERDAY

Thank you,
Rachel

From: Pepperman, Nicole
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 2:24 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Rosenbaum, Rachel
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Leach, Matt; Murray, Andrew
Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

Adding in Matt Leach to help produce.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 1:37 PM
To: Pepperman, Nicole
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Murray, Andrew
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

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Pepperman, Nicole

From: Pepperman, Nicole
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Rosenbaum, Rachel
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Murray, Andrew
Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

Excellent! thank you. Adding Rachel Rosenbaum from our overnight team.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 1:37 PM
To: Pepperman, Nicole
Cc: McGowan, Ashley L. (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Murray, Andrew
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Monday April 24th at 8:20am

Duplicative Material

Fanning, Elizabeth

From: Fanning, Elizabeth
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 4:39 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Tucker?

Hi guys!

Hope all is well. Checking in to see if the AG is avail for Tucker tomorrow or Friday. Wanted to put it on your radar that Tucker is pretaping the show on Friday from 430-530 so if you could do in that window it would work on us....sometimes pretapes are hard.

Tomorrow we can do any time live or pretape.

Let me know what you think.

Thanks!

Liz

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Spinato, Eric

From: Spinato, Eric
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 1:43 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Good afternoon, Sarah

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Eric Spinato
Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 1:42 PM
To: Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Re: Good afternoon, Sarah

Thanks. Declining at this point.

On May 17, 2017, at 1:05 PM, Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

I hope your week has been going well.

I like to put in a request for the Attorney General, to join Maria Bartriamo live, on her #1 rated Fox News Sunday program, at 10a.
It would be the AG's first appearance with Maria, since his confirmation.

Thank you, for your time and consideration.

Cordially,
Eric

Eric Spinato
Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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kwong@breitbart.com

From: kwong@breitbart.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 11:34 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 11:26am
To: "kwong@breitbart.com" <kwong@breitbart.com>
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/former-vice-chairman-joint-chiefs-staff-pleads-guilty-federal-felony-leak-investigation>

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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From: kwong@breitbart.com [mailto:kwong@breitbart.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:55 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

OFF THE RECORD....what is the confusion with the Daily Beast story, so I know to avoid it? Also, is declining to answer more about not wanting to confirm actions, or is it more about not wanting to get involved in political matters?

I'm a (b) (6), if you want to chat about this off the record.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:32am
To: "kwong@breitbart.com" <kwong@breitbart.com>
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Off the record, if/when I get something more on this I will definitely reach out to you on this. Just right now we're going to decline comment.

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From: kwong@breitbart.com [<mailto:kwong@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:04 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Would ideally like a fresh quote showing there is at least concern or some urgency at the Department...

I understand not wanting to renew confusion or a news story, but I think it is important to know if that this is a major concern that the Department is at least taking some steps to look into...

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:52am
To: "kwong@breitbart.com" <kwong@breitbart.com>
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

I mean if you need something different, you can say DOJ declined comment on the DB story. Not sure if that helps in any way

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Cel (b) (6)

From: kwong@breitbart.com [<mailto:kwong@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:48 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Hi Ian,

I totally get it...

Would you be able to give us something to use, so I don't have to cite the Daily Beast's quote?

Kristina

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:29am
To: "kwong@breitbart.com" <kwong@breitbart.com>
Subject: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Hey Kristina,

Off the record but I think the Daily Beast story really tried to spin a bunch of comments into a new story by running it

yesterday. I'd rather not add to the confusion that the DB has created, at least right now.

That said, there is nothing more I could say than what the AG has so I would refer you to the AG's remarks on O'Reilly from March 30th at the 5:20 mark: http://video.foxnews.com/v/5379781707001/?playlist_id_930909812001#sp_show-clips

Thank you!

Ian D. Prior
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Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b) (6)

From: Kristina Wong [<mailto:kwong@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:08 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Thanks! Meant "separate statement." :)

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Kristina Wong
Pentagon reporter, Breitbart News
(b) (6)
@kristina_wong

On May 17, 2017, at 9:01 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Adding Ian

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
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From: kwong@breitbart.com [<mailto:kwong@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 8:36 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Hi Sarah,

Hope you're well. I'm a national security reporter at Breitbart News. I wanted to follow up on a Daily Beast report last night that said the Justice Department is considering action against leaks.

The story lede said the Justice Department is "prepared to aggressively prosecute government officials who leak confirmation."

Can you confirm for us that that is true and provide us with a separate separate? We

would greatly appreciate it!

I will publish shortly after I get your statement.

Thank you,
Kristina

Kristina Wong

From: Kristina Wong
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:35 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

Ok, thanks Ian.

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Kristina Wong
Pentagon reporter, Breitbart News
(b) (6)
@kristina_wong

On May 17, 2017, at 10:32 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Duplicative Material



Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:51 AM
To: kwong@breitbart.com
Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

I really don't I'd rather you just cite to the AG's remarks. Sorry! Wish I could be more helpful

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b) (6)

From: kwong@breitbart.com [mailto:kwong@breitbart.com]
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Subject: RE: FW: Question re: DOJ pursuing leaks -- Breitbart News

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Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 9:37 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Wanna grab lunch next week?

thursday still works?

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 12, 2017, at 11:28 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Love to Thursday look good?

>

> Ian D. Prior

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>> On May 12, 2017, at 11:21 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

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>> Let me know.

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>> Sent from my iPhone

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Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2017 12:00 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Wanna grab lunch next week?

sounds great our office is at farragut..i guess we can schedule more specifically next week

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 12, 2017, at 11:28 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:
>

Duplicative Material



Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 8:09 PM
To: Koerber, Ashley
Subject: Re: Any chance AG Sessions is available tomorrow

Not at this point

On May 16, 2017, at 6:58 PM, Koerber, Ashley <Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

o:office:office" xmlns:w="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:office:word"
xmlns:m="http://schemas.microsoft.com/office/2004/12/omml"
xmlns="http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-html40">
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Ashley Koerber
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imason@breitbart.com

From: imason@breitbart.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 4:19 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Seth Rich Investigation

Thanks for doing so.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 4:12pm
To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: RE: Seth Rich Investigation

There isn't anything planned and doubt we would say anything one way or the other but let me look into it

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Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b) (6)

From: imason@breitbart.com [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 3:35 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Seth Rich Investigation

Hey Ian,

You may have seen Americans for Limited Government press release on the alleged Seth Rich cover-up:
<http://getliberty.org/2017/05/alg-urges-attorney-general-jeff-sessions-to-look-into-seth-rich-murder/>

I'm sure its the first of many like it. Is there any planned statement on the whole blow-up? Anyone willing to speak on or off the record Channing Phillips's future at the USAO-DC?

Thanks so much,
Ian

Emanuel, Mike

From: Emanuel, Mike
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 3:35 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Hello, Sarah

Thanks very much!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 3:32 PM
To: Emanuel, Mike <Mike.Emanuel@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Hello, Sarah

No updates from us

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Emanuel, Mike [mailto:Mike.Emanuel@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 2:00 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Hello, Sarah

Any update on FBI Director interviews? I'm doing a piece for SPECIAL REPORT, and didn't want to be including dated information.

Thanks.

Mike

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Mike Emanuel
Chief Congressional / Senior Political Correspondent
Fox News

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Gibson, Jake

Subject: Accepted: Brown Bag Lunch w/ OPA and DOJ Reporters
Location: DOJ Andretta Room - 1st Floor

Start: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 2:00 PM
End: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 2:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Gibson, Jake
Required Attendees: Prior, Ian (OPA)

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Finn, Matt

From: Finn, Matt
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 4:38 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: NDAA and NAAUSA on Charging and Sentencing Policy

Thanks Ian.

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 15, 2017, at 3:07 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:
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> FYI
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> Ian D. Prior
> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)
>
> From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
> Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 2:28 PM
> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
> Subject: NDAA and NAAUSA on Charging and Sentencing Policy
>
> Sending along in case you haven't received
>
> Ian D. Prior
> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)
>
> <NDAA Press Release on Sessions Charging and Sentencing Memo.pdf> > <naausa.pdf>

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May 15, 2017

The Honorable Jeff Sessions
Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Re: Guidance on Charging and Sentencing Drug Trafficking Crimes

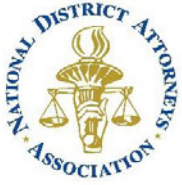
Dear General Sessions:

Thank you for your May 10 memorandum restoring Department of Justice charging and sentencing policies that once again will serve the interests of justice and guide federal prosecutors in their service to the Rule of Law. As you know, the requirement to "charge the most serious readily provable offense" was adopted over 35 years ago by your predecessor Benjamin Civiletti and reaffirmed in subsequent memoranda by Attorney Generals Richard Thornburgh and John Ashcroft.

Assistant United States Attorneys across the nation join me in thanking you for your courage in setting aside the misguided policies of the past administration that required us as servants of the law to be less than forthright with the court and the public in charging and prosecuting drug trafficking crimes. We appreciate your integrity and support in assuring that we as AUSAs employ the statutorily-based charging and sentencing tools that Congress enacted to keep the country safe.

Respectfully yours,

Lawrence J. Leiser
President



NATIONAL DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: May 15, 2017

National District Attorneys Association statement on charging and sentencing memo to federal prosecutors

ARLINGTON, Virginia – On Friday, May 12, Attorney General Jeff Sessions issued a memo to federal prosecutors outlining updated charging and sentencing guidelines for the Department of Justice (DOJ). The National District Attorneys Association (NDAA), representing America's 2500 elected and appointed state and local prosecutors, stands with its federal counterparts in doing all that we can to protect the communities we serve. Federal prosecutors, like the thousands of state and local assistant prosecutors across the country, reserve the toughest sanctions for those who have been given second chances and continue to profit off criminal activity, and those that commit offenses severe enough to warrant corresponding punishment, such as serious drug trafficking offenses and other violent felonies.

We are in the middle of an opioid epidemic that threatens the lives of many across this country, whether preyed upon by the disease of addiction, or those preyed upon by drug traffickers peddling drugs across our borders and into our neighborhoods. State and local prosecutors deal with the vast majority of drug cases, and have developed numerous preventative measures to differentiate between the addict and the dealer and have attempted to balance treatment versus punishment when appropriate. State and local prosecutors also have a long track record of recognizing the need to partner with federal prosecutors. Most drug cartels or conspirators do not concern themselves with county or even national borders. These purveyors of poison only recognize profit and have no concern for the heartache and misery that are a direct consequence of their actions.

The balance struck by state and local prosecutors can also be achieved at the federal level. DOJ's updated charging and sentencing guidelines reserve the harshest punishments for those committing the most serious offenses, instructing federal prosecutors to seek the most serious charge they can prove, a common sense principle for prosecutors. At the same time, the directive allows federal prosecutors to deviate from the federal sentencing structure should circumstances in a case warrant a lesser sentence. That flexibility is of the utmost importance as the circumstances in every case are unique. It is a myth that low level, non-violent drug offenders are languishing in federal prisons. Yet we must be smart about the way we use prison and prosecutors must continue to learn how best to handle certain types of cases, such as human trafficking, where the victims too often have been treated as criminals.

Prosecutors and law enforcement have the mutual goal of ensuring the safety of all Americans. It matters little how much we spend on education or health care or infrastructure if a young person in

one of our inner cities cannot walk to a corner store without being harassed by drug dealers or dodging bullets from warring gangs. Prosecutors must go after criminals directly causing harm to others and communities, while also using discretion to recognize when an individual played a lesser role in a situation, warranting a less severe punishment. The updated guidelines do just that, and NDAA looks forward to working with Attorney General Sessions to ensure that those who truly deserve the most severe punishment in order to seek justice receive it, while still allowing prosecutors the discretion and flexibility to consider other factors warranting a less severe punishment in certain cases.

The National District Attorneys Association (NDAA), www.ndaa.org, is the largest prosecutor organization in the country, representing 2,500 elected and appointed District Attorneys across the United States, as well as 40,000 Assistant District Attorneys.

Contact: Nelson Bunn, Director of Policy and Governmental Affairs, National District Attorneys Association (703) 519-1666

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Koerber, Ashley

From: Koerber, Ashley
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 2:11 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Checking in about this week

Thanks for getting back to me! Let me know if anything changes.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 1:14 PM
To: Koerber, Ashley <Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Checking in about this week

No plans for interviews this week

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Koerber, Ashley [mailto:Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 12:17 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Checking in about this week

Hey Sarah,

I hope you had a lovely weekend! I wanted to see if there is any chance AG Sessions or DAG Rosenstein is available for an interview with Bret this week.

Let me know thank you!

Best,
Ashley

Ashley Koerber
Booking Producer
Special Report w/ Bret Baier
Fox News Channel DC Bureau
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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 1:14 PM
To: Fanning, Elizabeth
Subject: Re: Previously deported hit-and-run suspect criminally charged with federal immigration violation - LA Times

Don't know yet but keep on us

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs Office: 202.616.0911 Cel (b) (6)

> On May 15, 2017, at 1:13 PM, Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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> You were right! Yeah you guys had a long week! When can we get the AG on with Tucker?
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
> Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 1:12 PM
> To: Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>
> Subject: RE: Previously deported hit-and-run suspect criminally charged with federal immigration violation
- LA Times

>
> Ahh, figured it was something you would cover
>
> Terrible story though.
>
> Pretty good overall - was a tough week!

>
> Ian D. Prior
> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Fanning, Elizabeth [mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM]
> Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 1:08 PM
> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
> Subject: RE: Previously deported hit-and-run suspect criminally charged with federal immigration violation
- LA Times

>
> This story is so sad! We did it on the show the other night. hope you had a great weekend!

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
> Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 1:04 PM

> To: Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>
> Subject: FW: Previously deported hit-and-run suspect criminally charged with federal immigration violation - LA Times
>
> Take a look at this
>
> Ian D. Prior
> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b) (6)
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> The victim of the hit-and-run, a 6-year-old boy, suffered a fractured skull.
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> https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__www.latimes.com_local_lanow_la-2Dme-2Dln-2Dsd-2Dhitandrun-2D20170513-2Dstory.html&d=DwIFAg&c=cnx1hdOQtEPkpermZGwQ&r=3_X1rR-xnjo1H0smzt_DkpmCMc6JPDBxQVGcsYAvXvM&m=jDR_4wNx-4N9TFUPAyKm8-avJ1HRjpWZHvorsYUU7Y4&s=1zYjujw7ekQqigao9CJdauUFDemelWq9sKjYmTqfkqg&e=
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Singman, Brooke

From: Singman, Brooke
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:56 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Gibson, Jake; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: FBI interviews this week?

Thanks so much.

Talk soon,
Brooke

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:56 AM
To: Singman, Brooke <brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: FBI interviews this week?

No updates at this point

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Director of Public Affairs

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From: Singman, Brooke [mailto:brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:55 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: FBI interviews this week?

Hi Sarah,

Hope you had a great weekend. Wondering if you could give me a heads up on the interviews we can expect this week at DOJ for FBI Director? Will Ray Kelly be invited for an interview this week?

Thank you so much.

Talk soon,

Brooke Singman
Reporter, Fox News Channel

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Brooke.singman@foxnews.com

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:24 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: favor

Hey!
America's Newsroom:
Cheri.Paquette@foxnews.com

Outnumbered:
Megan.Brown@foxnews.com

The Five:
EP is Porter.Berry@foxnews.com

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:22 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: favor

Do you have contact info for producers of America's Newsroom, Outnumbered, The Five? Just completing my list.

Thx!

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2017 4:51 PM
To: Herridge, Catherine
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA); Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Subject: Re: Special Report tonight -- Query

Correct. 8 yesterday. No updates today.

On May 14, 2017, at 4:47 PM, Herridge, Catherine <Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Confirming 8 interviewed.
Are the interviews ongoing.
Thank you for responding.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2017 4:43 PM
To: Herridge, Catherine
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA); Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Subject: Re: Special Report tonight Query

We don't have any updates today.

On May 14, 2017, at 4:18 PM, Herridge, Catherine <Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

We are doing a special edition of Special Report, and had a question about where things stand. Let me know who is on deck, and could take a call before 530?

Thanks for the help/consideration.

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 6:50 PM
To: Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM

The recommendation to remove Director Comey was a personnel decision based on concerns about the effectiveness of his leadership as set forth in the Attorney General's letter. The recommendation had nothing to do with the substance of any investigation.

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 5:13 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: John Walters

Thanks! I will give him a buzz for Monday perhaps. Appreciate the help!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 5:04 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: John Walters



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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 4:45 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re:

It came through empty
Was a contact in there?
Thanks!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 4:42 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: FW:

Another good person to talk Sessions memo

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Full Name: John Walters
Last Name: Walters
First Name: John

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 1:40 PM
To: Chuck Ross
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Inquiry on FOIA response letter confirming Flynn proceedings

Interesting. Good to know that that's their default message on something like this. I agree with you that that's pretty confusing way to phrase it.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Chuck Ross [mailto:chuck@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 12:51 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Inquiry on FOIA response letter confirming Flynn proceedings

I'm pulling back on this. I was able to talk to the FOIA people. They say that's put in there as a precaution and was based off of public reports and hasn't been told specifically of any investigation.

On Fri, May 12, 2017 at 11:39 AM, Chuck Ross <chuck@dailycaller.com> wrote:

I'm working on the story with the headline so far as something like: "Justice Department Confirms Michael Flynn Is Under Investigation"

I'd welcome you guys' input if you think that's overstating the case. I definitely want to avoid doing that, but this seems to be newsy.

I'll be filing within 30 minutes or so just fyi.

On Fri, May 12, 2017 at 11:25 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Huh. Not really sure whats up w that.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Chuck Ross [mailto:chuck@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 12:16 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Subject: Inquiry on FOIA response letter confirming Flynn proceedings

Hi Sarah and Ian,

I just received a response to a FOIA I'd filed on Michael Flynn and his company, Flynn Intel Group, and it looks like DOJ officially confirms the existence of "law enforcement proceedings."

Unless I missed it, I don't think this had been disclosed. Stuff regarding Flynn has come out only through anonymous leaks. Is there anything I should know or be made aware of before reporting this as an official confirmation?

Here's part of the response to my FOIA, which seeks records of Flynn Intel exchanges with DOJ:

[PLEASE NOTE: IT IS A MATTER OF PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE THAT THE SUBJECT OF YOUR REQUEST IS INVOLVED IN ONGOING LAW ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS. SEARCHES WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BUT YOU SHOULD FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH EXEMPTION (B)(7)(A) AND OTHER EXEMPTIONS.]

Thanks for any help,

Chuck Ross

The Daily Caller

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Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 1:31 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: TODAY???? RE: REQUEST: The Fox News Specialists (5p-6pet)

Copy, thanks much for getting back!
Please keep us in mind.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 1:28 PM
To: Conti, Andrew
Subject: RE: TODAY???? RE: REQUEST: The Fox News Specialists (5p 6pet)

None today

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Conti, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.conti@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 1:20 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: TODAY???? RE: REQUEST: The Fox News Specialists (5p-6pet)

Hi Sarah,
Please consider us if you decide to do any interviews today.
Thanks very much!

From: Conti, Andrew
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 9:30 AM
To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)'
Subject: REQUEST: The Fox News Specialists (5p 6pet)

Hi Sarah,
It's Andrew Conti, formerly of O'Reilly....now a producer on the Fox News Specialists which airs live from 5p-6pet daily on FNC. The show is hosted by Eric Bolling, Eboni Williams and Kat Timpf. I wanted to see if there is any chance the AG might be avail for an interview to discuss all the news regarding prison terms, mandatory sentences and news of the day. I can provide more detail if needed.

Many thanks for your consideration.

Best,
Andrew

Andrew P. Conti
Fox News Channel
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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 10:40 AM
To: Christina. Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM
Subject: Fwd: Emailing: Federal Prison Population Through 2017 (002)
Attachments: Federal Prison Population Through 2017 (002).jpg

Seen some misreporting in prison population. Want to make sure you have for HN

Ian D. Prior

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> Federal Prison Population Through 2017 (002)
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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 3:01 PM
To: Conti, Andrew
Subject: RE: REQUEST: The Fox News Specialists (5p-6pet)

Sorry it took me so long! Nothing for us today.

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Director of Public Affairs

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From: Conti, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.conti@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 9:30 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: REQUEST: The Fox News Specialists (5p-6pet)

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 10:29 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Could be good for tomorrow night

Thanks!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 9:52 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: Re: Could be good for tomorrow night

Also just saw Bob Barr talk about it and nailed it

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On May 12, 2017, at 9:46 AM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thank you!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 9:09 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: Re: Could be good for tomorrow night

Dan Bongino was on Fox and Friends and talked about it. He said he could do it and knows his stuff

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On May 11, 2017, at 9:40 PM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hey this is perfect for our show and we are familiar with it. If you can't put anybody out on it - who would you suggest to speak about it?

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 9:26 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: Could be good for tomorrow night

Hey Karrah,

So not sure how familiar you are with what is referred to as the Holder Memo, but it came out in 2013 and encouraged prosecutors to undercharge drug amounts to relieve the prison system. It was called "Smart on Crime" but perhaps better titled Soft on Crime. Anyway, tomorrow am at 6 we are releasing a new policy basically reversing the Holder policy and takes the handcuffs off prosecutors. The memo (embargoed until 6 am) is attached and a backgrounder (not for attribution to DOJ) is attached.

I can jump on a call at just about any time tomorrow to discuss. I don't think we'd be able to put anyone on tomorrow night to discuss, but still think it could be a good segment. There will be a lot of pushback from the left on this so we want to try and drive some smart coverage

Let me know if you want to talk more tomorrow.

Thx!

Ian D. Prior
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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:23 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: Re: Could be good for tomorrow night

Let me think on that

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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On May 11, 2017, at 9:40 PM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Duplicative Material





Office of the Attorney General

Washington, D. C. 20530

May 10, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL FEDERAL PROSECUTORS

FROM: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 

SUBJECT: Department Charging and Sentencing Policy

This memorandum establishes charging and sentencing policy for the Department of Justice. Our responsibility is to fulfill our role in a way that accords with the law, advances public safety, and promotes respect for our legal system. It is of the utmost importance to enforce the law fairly and consistently. Charging and sentencing recommendations are crucial responsibilities for any federal prosecutor. The directives I am setting forth below are simple but important. They place great confidence in our prosecutors and supervisors to apply them in a thoughtful and disciplined manner, with the goal of achieving just and consistent results in federal cases.

First, it is a core principle that prosecutors should charge and pursue the most serious, readily provable offense. This policy affirms our responsibility to enforce the law, is moral and just, and produces consistency. This policy fully utilizes the tools Congress has given us. By definition, the most serious offenses are those that carry the most substantial guidelines sentence, including mandatory minimum sentences.

There will be circumstances in which good judgment would lead a prosecutor to conclude that a strict application of the above charging policy is not warranted. In that case, prosecutors should carefully consider whether an exception may be justified. Consistent with longstanding Department of Justice policy, any decision to vary from the policy must be approved by a United States Attorney or Assistant Attorney General, or a supervisor designated by the United States Attorney or Assistant Attorney General, and the reasons must be documented in the file.

Second, prosecutors must disclose to the sentencing court all facts that impact the sentencing guidelines or mandatory minimum sentences, and should in all cases seek a reasonable sentence under the factors in 18 U.S.C. § 3553. In most cases, recommending a sentence within the advisory guideline range will be appropriate. Recommendations for sentencing departures or variances require supervisory approval, and the reasoning must be documented in the file.

Any inconsistent previous policy of the Department of Justice relating to these matters is rescinded, effective today.¹

Each United States Attorney and Assistant Attorney General is responsible for ensuring that this policy is followed, and that any deviations from the core principle are justified by unusual facts.

I have directed the Deputy Attorney General to oversee implementation of this policy and to issue any clarification and guidance he deems appropriate for its just and consistent application.

Working with integrity and professionalism, attorneys who implement this policy will meet the high standards required of the Department of Justice for charging and sentencing.

¹ Previous policies include: *Department Policy on Charging Mandatory Minimum Sentences and Recidivist Enhancements in Certain Drug Cases* (August 12, 2013); and *Guidance Regarding § 851 Enhancements in Plea Negotiations* (September 24, 2014).

BACKGROUNDER ON CHARGING MEMO

THIS CHARGING MEMO IS A KEY PART OF PRESIDENT'S TRUMP'S PROMISE TO KEEP AMERICA SAFE

- This is a key part of President Trump's promise to keep America safe. The memo issued by the Attorney General announced that, consistent with previous longstanding practices of the Department of Justice, prosecutors generally will charge the most serious readily provable offenses supported by the facts of the case. This policy was formulated after extensive consultation with Assistant United States Attorneys at both the trial and appellate level, as well as former United States Attorneys and Main Justice Attorneys.
- Application of the principle that prosecutors charge and pursue the most serious readily provable offenses ensures that federal prosecutors uphold their responsibility under the United States Constitution to faithfully execute the laws passed by Congress, their ethical duty of candor to the courts, and their obligation to the American people to ensure that justice is done.
- This policy recognizes that there will be circumstances in which good judgment would lead a prosecutor to conclude that strict application of the charging policy is not warranted. The Attorney General places great trust in his prosecutors. He trusts them to use their informed discretion to judge the merits of each case and to initiate prosecutions accordingly. This policy is a reflection of that trust.
- This reverses the policy of the previous administration that, under the Holder Memo of August 12, 2013, directed prosecutors, in many cases, not to charge drug-trafficking defendants with the actual amount of drugs involved in a crime in order to avoid the possibility of the drug trafficker receiving a mandatory minimum sentence.
- Now, prosecutors are instructed to return to the longstanding process of charging defendants with the actual amount of drugs involved in the crime which, if the amount is significant, could result in a mandatory minimum sentence. Defendants may still be eligible for reduced sentences in return for fully cooperating with prosecutors.

MANDATORY MINIMUMS ARE AN IMPORTANT TOOL FOR PROSECUTORS TO TAKE DANGEROUS CRIMINALS OFF THE STREETS

- From 1961 to 1985, violent crime in America more than tripled and much of it was connected to drug trafficking. In the mid-1980's Congress gave prosecutors the ability to use mandatory minimums, which helped put the most serious criminals in jail and encouraged defendants to cooperate with prosecutors to target drug kingpins. The impact began to take hold starting in 1991 and, over the next two decades, violent crime in America plummeted to half of what it was before federal prosecutors starting using these mandatory minimums.
- Beginning in 2005, however, court decisions, changes to sentencing guidelines, and the 2013 Holder Memo weakened the federal criminal justice system and began handcuffing federal prosecutors. Not surprisingly, the reduction in violent crime was halted, and violent crime has risen sharply during both of the past two years.

THE HOLDER MEMO MADE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR PROSECUTORS TO TAKE DANGEROUS CRIMINALS OFF THE STREETS

- The Holder Memo directed federal prosecutors to generally decline to charge defendants with the actual amount of drugs in their possession to avoid triggering a mandatory minimum sentence. It also directed prosecutors not to pursue enhanced penalties for repeat offenders unless certain factors were present. This limited the tools available to prosecutors to do their jobs and took away important leverage used to persuade dangerous criminals to cooperate in dismantling large drug-trafficking networks.

OPPONENTS OF MANDATORY MINIMUMS INCORRECTLY CLAIM FEDERAL PRISONS ARE FILLED WITH SO-CALLED “NON-VIOLENT” DRUG OFFENDERS

- The idea that the use of mandatory minimums has filled our prisons with non-violent drug offenders is false.
 - First, drug trafficking is an inherently violent criminal enterprise. Drug traffickers use violence and threats of violence to protect their contraband and their illicit gains, to expand their territory, and to collect debts.
 - Second, drug trafficking is destructive beyond the accompanying violence. It ruins lives through addiction, it tears families apart, and leaves a trail of death and destruction in its wake.
 - Third, mandatory minimums encourage defendants to cooperate with prosecutors to target drug kingpins. In fact, nearly a third do cooperate and provide substantial assistance to the government, resulting in favorable sentencing below mandatory minimums.
- Similarly, it is a myth that prisons are full of people serving time for simple drug possession.
 - Less than 3 percent of federal offenders sentenced to imprisonment in 2016 were convicted of simple possession, and that statistic does not take into account what the initial charges were or whether the defendant plea-bargained down to mere possession (or was charged with a lesser offense in accordance with the prior administration’s charging policies).
 - The fact is, the majority of drug offenders in federal prison were convicted of major drug trafficking crimes involving heroin, methamphetamine, cocaine, crack, and oxycodone. Many carried a weapon while committing their crime, engaged in violence during the crime, or had done either or both in the past.
- Finally, consider the amount of drugs necessary to trigger a ten-year mandatory minimum – a kilogram of heroin, 5 kilograms of cocaine, and 1,000 kilograms of marijuana *with intent to distribute*. These are not “low level offenders” – they are dangerous drug traffickers distributing large amounts of illegal drugs. Just one kilogram of heroin can be cut into approximately 10,000 doses, and has a street value of more than \$100,000 (and an even greater value if laced with other drugs, such as acetyl-fentanyl, and cut further).

AN EXAMPLE OF HOW PROSECUTORS CAN NOW CHARGE A DRUG OFFENDER NOW VS. UNDER THE HOLDER MEMO

- A defendant is transporting a kilogram of heroin from a supplier in Mexico to a dealer in a small town in the United States. That kilogram provides approximately 10,000 doses of a drug that will keep addicts hooked, create new addicts, and wreak havoc on people's lives, often resulting in overdose deaths. The defendant does not have a weapon on him at arrest and is not a kingpin in a drug cartel.
- Under the Holder Memo, prosecutors would likely be unable to charge the defendant with the actual amount of heroin involved and the defendant would not be subject to a mandatory ten-year minimum sentence. Thus, prosecutors would lose the strong leverage to convince the defendant to cooperate and identify higher-ranking members of the drug cartel for which he is working.
- By reinstating the longstanding practices of the Department of Justice, federal prosecutors will now be able to charge the actual amount of heroin involved in the crime, and the defendant would be subject to a mandatory 10-year minimum. By cooperating, however, that defendant could be eligible for relief from the 10-year minimum.

CRIME RATES

- In 1961, there were 158.1 violent crimes per 100,000 people. That number rose to 558.1 per 100,000 people in 1985, and 758.2 per 100,000 people in 1991. After prosecutors started using mandatory minimums, there was a massive reduction in violent crime. In 2014, the violent crime rate was 361.6 per 100,000 people.
- From 2000-2013, the violent crime rate in the U.S. decreased by 27 percent. Within a year of Attorney General Holder's revision of Department of Justice prosecution and charging policies at the end of 2013, however, that trend of decreasing violent crime slowed to a halt. In 2015, the overall violent crime rate had its largest single-year increase since 1991.
- Crime rates, especially for violent crime, are rising across the country. According to FBI data, there were more than 15,000 murders in the United States in 2015. That's a single-year increase of nearly 11 percent across the country, which is the largest increase since 1971.

SENTENCING AND PROSECUTIONS

- Federal drug prosecutions are also down, and at the end of 2016 there were 23 percent fewer than in 2011. The average sentence length for a convicted federal drug offender decreased 19 percent from 2009-2016.
- Federal drug offenders are not simple drug possessors, they are drug traffickers.
 - According to the U.S. Sentencing Commission's September 2016 Report, 94 percent of all simple possession offenders (2319 in 2013) were convicted for marijuana possession offenses and 92 percent of those were arrested at or near the southwest border. The median weight of marijuana in those border cases was 48.5 lbs. Despite relatively large amounts of marijuana, these offenders were sentenced for possession (not trafficking) and received a median sentence of only 6 months.

Murray, Andrew

From: Murray, Andrew
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 8:59 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: favor

Sure!
Dan Bongino

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Andrew Murray
Producer, Politics
"Fox & Friends"
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@andrewmurray1

On May 12, 2017, at 8:34 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Can you get me Dan Bongino's email or send him mine? He is great Id love to loop in him in more broadly

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 9:26 PM
To: Fanning, Elizabeth
Subject: RE: Could be good for tomorrow night

There will be a lot of pushback from the left on this too so could be right up Tucker's alley

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From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 9:14 PM
To: 'Fanning, Elizabeth' <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Could be good for tomorrow night

Good. Hectic but good.

Thx!

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From: Fanning, Elizabeth [<mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 9:10 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Could be good for tomorrow night

Thanks! I will definitely keep my eye out for this tomorrow and as always appreciate the heads up!

It is very interesting. I know you must be slammed! How you holding up?

Sent from my iPhone

May 11, 2017, at 20:51, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hey Tucker,

So not sure how familiar you are with what is referred to as the Holder Memo, but it came out in 2013 and encouraged prosecutors to undercharge drug amounts to relieve the prison system. It was called "Smart on Crime" but perhaps better titled Soft on Crime. Anyway, tomorrow am at 6 we are releasing a new policy basically reversing the Holder policy and takes the handcuffs off prosecutors. The memo (embargoed until 6 am) is attached and a backgrounder (not for attribution to DOJ) is attached.

I can jump on a call at just about any time tomorrow to discuss. I don't think we'd be able to put anyone on tomorrow night to discuss, but still think it could be a good segment.

Let me know if you want to talk more tomorrow.

Thx!

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 8:52 PM
To: Murray, Andrew
Subject: RE: For Fox and Friends

Unfortunately not tomorrow.

Will check on the weekend

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From: Murray, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 8:51 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: For Fox and Friends

Thanks! Is the Attorney General available tomorrow or this weekend to discuss it?

Andrew

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:ian.prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 8:45 PM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: For Fox and Friends
Importance: High

Hey Andrew, We have this with reporters (including Jake Gibson) for a 6 am Embargo tomorrow am. It is a memo from the Attorney General changing Department of Justice policy on charging and sentencing criminals. This is a big deal, as it replaces Eric Holder's policies.

I am attaching the Memo and a backgrounder that can help explain everything. The backgrounder is deep background, so not attributable to DOJ or for public eyes, but can help understand the importance of this. The memo just has a 6 am embargo.

Sorry for the late notice, but wanted to make sure you saw.

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:38 PM
To: Koerber, Ashley
Subject: RE: Bret Baier - Sunday @ 8pm?

I don't think he'll be doing any tv

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Koerber, Ashley [<mailto:Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:08 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Bret Baier - Sunday @ 8pm?

Hey! Sorry to keep bugging you.
We would also be happy to have Deputy AG Rosenstein on the show on Sunday evening.

Let me know if you can make it happen! We would be extremely grateful ☺

Best,
Ashley

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 9:12 PM
To: Koerber, Ashley <Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Bret Baier - Sunday @ 8pm?

Not sure our weekend plans yet

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Koerber, Ashley [<mailto:Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 1:17 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Bret Baier - Sunday @ 8pm?

Hey Sarah,

I'm sure you're getting bombarded with media requests, but I wanted to run something by you...

I'm told that Bret will LIKELY anchor an 8pm special this coming Sunday. Is there any chance Sen. Sessions could join

us for an exclusive?

I know the Sunday morning shows take precedent, but we could heavily promote this interview.

Let me know your thoughts! We can also discuss pretape options.

Thanks!

-Ashley

Ashley Koerber
Booking Producer
Special Report w/ Bret Baier
Fox News Channel DC Bureau
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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 4:22 PM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Subject: RE: 4:30 backgrounder

Ok stand by

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From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 4:21 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: 4:30 backgrounder

Am down here with a reporter from wsj

Sent from my iPhone

On May 11, 2017, at 3:04 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Know this is late notice but we are going to be coming out with a big anti-crime policy and are going to hold a backgrounder at 4:30.

Can you be here?

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 4:17 PM
To: Ian Mason
Subject: RE: 4:30 briefing

yes

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From: Ian Mason [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 4:16 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: 4:30 briefing

Same room? Andretti?

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 3:15 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Subject: RE: 4:30 briefing

No. Just me on the record: The Deputy Attorney General did not threaten to resign.

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From: imason@breitbart.com [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 3:12 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: 4:30 briefing

Sure. I'd love to come. By the way, is there any official statement on the DAG denying he threatened to resign?

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 3:04pm
To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: 4:30 briefing

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Can you be here?

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Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 3:07 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: 4:30 backgrounder

Yeah I can make that.

On Thu, May 11, 2017 at 3:04 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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Can you be here?

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 3:18 PM
To: DeVito, Andrea
Subject: RE: Sunday

I doubt we do anything

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: DeVito, Andrea [mailto:Andrea.DeVito@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 3:00 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Sunday

Hi Sarah any update?
Thanks,
Andrea

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:24 PM
To: DeVito, Andrea
Subject: RE: Sunday

We don't have plans yet for this weekend.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: DeVito, Andrea [mailto:Andrea.DeVito@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 9:27 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Sunday

Good Morning Sarah checking back in Chris would love to have him on the show on Sunday he has done the other Sunday shows but not FNS since becoming AG.
Thanks,
Andrea

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 6:34 PM
To: DeVito, Andrea

Subject: Re: Sunday

Got it. Will let you know.

On May 9, 2017, at 6:32 PM, DeVito, Andrea <Andrea.DeVito@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi Sarah--I would like to put in a request for an exclusive interview with AG Sessions for this [coming Sunday](#), live [at 9am](#) to discuss the firing of James Comey. Let me know what you think.

Thanks,

Andrea

Andrea DeVito

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DeVito, Andrea

From: DeVito, Andrea
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 11:10 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Sunday

Thanks Sarah.

Andrea DeVito

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On May 10, 2017, at 10:23 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Duplicative Material



DeVito, Andrea

From: DeVito, Andrea
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 6:35 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Sunday

Thanks Sarah.

Andrea DeVito

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On May 9, 2017, at 6:33 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Duplicative Material

Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:45 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Hey Sarah! Are you able to do TV? Martha asking for you to counter all of the leaks etc

No problem. We are doing a segment on all the media mis-information. If you or Ian or somebody from DOJ can join us tonight that would rock! We also tape between 1:30-3pm tomorrow too if you can swing a pre tape...

Thanks for getting back to me!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:37 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Hey Sarah! Are you able to do TV? Martha asking for you to counter all of the leaks etc

Ugh! Wish I could. Sorry--can't tonight.

On May 11, 2017, at 10:48 AM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Are any representative from DOJ?

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:41 AM
To: Sarah Flores
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Hey Sarah! Are you able to do TV? Martha asking for you to counter all of the leaks etc

We know a lot of erroneous information has been out there so we thought you could come on and set the record straight?

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:38 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Background briefing today?

Copy that.

Smart on crime?

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington

(b)(6)
@JakeBGibson

> On May 11, 2017, at 2:37 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> Yes. Thinking 4:30

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> Ian D. Prior

> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b)(6)

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>> On May 11, 2017, at 2:36 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> Field Producer

>> Fox News Washington

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>> @JakeBGibson

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:07 PM
To: Fanning, Elizabeth
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Tucker tonight?

I don't foresee the dag doing tv. But you know we're big fans of yalls.

> On May 11, 2017, at 12:38 PM, Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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> Thanks for letting me know! Can we arrange to be the first interview when he is doing tv?

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]

> Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 12:33 PM

> To: Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>

> Subject: RE: Tucker tonight?

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> Nothing tonight--sorry

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> Sarah Isgur Flores

> Director of Public Affairs

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Fanning, Elizabeth [mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM]

> Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 12:30 PM

> To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>

> Subject: RE: Tucker tonight?

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> Hey guys,

> I know you're slammed but following up to see if we can set something up with the AG or Deputy today with Tucker. We can do any time live or pretape.

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> Thanks!

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Fanning, Elizabeth

> Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 5:49 PM

> To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>; Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov

> Subject: Tucker tonight?

>

> Hey!

> Is the AG or Deputy AG available tonight to talk about Comey? We could do live in the 8pm or pretape anytime from now till then.

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> Thanks!!

> Liz

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:18 AM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: Re: Comey letter?

Don't have

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs Office: 202.616.0911 Cel (b)(6)

> On May 10, 2017, at 10:52 PM, Gibson, Jake <Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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> Jake Gibson
> Field Producer
> Fox News Washington

(b)(6)
> @JakeBGibson
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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 11:26 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Comey letter?

Cool.

Trump to visit FBI on Friday??
Or soon??

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
(b)(6)
@JakeBGibson

> On May 10, 2017, at 11:04 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:
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> No idea!

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> ***

> Sarah Isgur Flores
> Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]

> Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:57 PM

> To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>

> Subject: Re: Comey letter?

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> Fair enough.

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> Any guidance at all?

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> Jake Gibson

> Field Producer

> Fox News Washington

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> @JakeBGibson

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>> On May 10, 2017, at 10:54 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:
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>> Don't have it
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>> Sarah Isgur Flores
>> Director of Public Affairs
> (b)(6)
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>> Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:52 PM
>> To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
>> Subject: Comey letter?

Duplicative Material

Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 11:11 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Comey letter?

All good.
Got it

To all: I have long believed that a President can fire an FBI Director for any reason, or for no reason at all. I'm not going to spend time on the decision or the way it was executed. I hope you won't either. It is done, and I will be fine, although I will miss you and the mission deeply.

I have said to you before that, in times of turbulence, the American people should see the FBI as a rock of competence, honesty, and independence. What makes leaving the FBI hard is the nature and quality of its people, who together make it that rock for America.

It is very hard to leave a group of people who are committed only to doing the right thing. My hope is that you will continue to live our values and the mission of protecting the American people and upholding the Constitution. If you do that, you too will be sad when you leave, and the American people will be safer.

Working with you has been one of the great joys of my life. Thank you for that gift.

James Comey

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
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@JakeBGibson

On May 10, 2017, at 11:04 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Duplicative Material

Doocy, Peter

From: Doocy, Peter
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:58 PM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Cc: Gomez, Serafin
Subject: Re: Hi, Peter//WV question re: tomorrow

Thanks, Peter.

My understanding is the network may be taking part of his event live, so we will be there either way.

Hope to meet you tomorrow,

Peter

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 10, 2017, at 10:53 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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> As of right now, he has no plans for any interviews. I'll let you know if that changes.

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>> On May 10, 2017, at 10:51 PM, Doocy, Peter <Peter.doocy@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> Peter,

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>> We are in West Virginia to cover the Attorney General's opioid event tomorrow morning.

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>> Can we possibly set up a quick pull aside with AG Sessions to get a comment about the news of the day either right before or right after that event?

>>

>> Whatever we are able to get would be used throughout the rest of the day and night on FNC.

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>> If you are worried about a crush of press, we can set up outside or off site.

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>> Thank you for considering,

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>> Peter Doocy

>> Correspondent

>> FOX News Channel

> (b)(6) (cell)

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>> Sent from my iPhone

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:20 PM
To: Chuck Ross
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Process going forward

Sorry I missed this. You can always cc ian principle deputy here who can get you stuff much faster than I usually can.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Chuck Ross [mailto:chuck@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:26 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Process going forward

Thanks, can you provide any other details on background? Names of those being interviewed, timeline, etc?

On Wed, May 10, 2017 at 9:24 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

On background today they are interviewing interim candidates

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Chuck Ross [mailto:chuck@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 9:43 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Process going forward

Hi Sarah,
Good morning!

I was hoping for guidance on the process going forward regarding picking Comey's replacement. Are AG and DAG involved in that process? And what are the next immediate steps? An interim director?

Thanks,
Chuck Ross
The Daily Caller

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:16 PM
To: Paquette, Cherie
Subject: RE: Fox News Request -Thursday

Im sorry this took me so long. I'm traveling with the AG in the am and wont be back in time. Sorry!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Paquette, Cherie [mailto:Cherie.Paquette@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 12:11 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fox News Request -Thursday

Hi Sarah
Hi Sarah

Can you join us tomorrow morning for a 9:10am ET hit time on America's Newsroom? To discuss the DOJ and Comey. Please let me know if you are available.

Bill Hemmer and Shannon Bream host.

Best,
Cherie

(b)(6)

DOJ Communications Director Sarah Isgur Flores just came into the press room at DOJ and declared to multiple reporters, "everything" in this story is "false."

"There was no ask for money or additional resources" for the Russia investigation, she said. Flores also punctuated that info came from a conversation she personally had with Deputy AG Rosenstein.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/10/us/politics/comey-russia-investigation-fbi.html?smid=tw-share&r=3>

Days Before He Was Fired, Comey Asked for Money for Russia Investigation

By **MATTHEW ROSENBERG** and **MATT APUZZO**

Senator Richard Burr, Republican of North Carolina and chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, at the Capitol in March. CreditStephen Crowley/The New York Times

WASHINGTON — Days before he was fired, James B. Comey, the former [F.B.I.](#) director, asked the Justice Department for a significant increase in money and personnel for the bureau's investigation into Russia's interference in the presidential election, according to three officials with knowledge of his request.

Mr. Comey asked for the resources during a meeting last week with Rod J. Rosenstein, the deputy attorney general who wrote the Justice Department's memo that was used to justify the firing of the F.B.I. director this week.

Mr. Comey then briefed members of Congress on the meeting in recent days.

Cherie Paquette

Fox News Channel, Washington D.C. Bureau

Booker, *America's Newsroom* 9AM - 11AM ET

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 9:05 PM
To: Herridge, Catherine; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Cc: Navas, Nicole (OPA)
Subject: RE: renewing interview request

We're VERY big fans of you here. Including the powers that be. But he isn't doing any interviews right now. You are on the list for down the road though for sure.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Herridge, Catherine [mailto:Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 4:46 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Navas, Nicole (OPA) <nnavas@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: renewing interview request

I recognize you are flooded with requests, but wanted to renew my interest, as the longest serving TV beat reporter on DOJ/FBI and Intelligence. I did a very fair, direct and newsy interview with Secretary Kelly in the midst of the travel ban and wall reporting.

Including the link

<http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2017/02/02/dhs-secretary-border-wall-should-be-finished-in-two-years.html>

Thanks for giving it consideration and for the help today.
Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 6:44 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>; sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov
Cc: nicole.navas@usdoj.gov; Herridge, Catherine <Catherine.Herridge@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Fox News Query

Hi Ian and Sarah,

Thank you for sending the embargoed copy of the Attorney General's Arizona announcement. It goes along to helping us digest the material before the event.

I worked on a regular basis with then Senator Sessions on terrorism related issues. I am respectfully requesting a sit down interview with the Attorney General to explore the Trump administration's strategy for combatting terrorism, and its approach to interrogations.

Taking the liberty of including my recent profile with Secretary Kelly on border issues. This report with the AG would

take a similar approach, and also air on Special Report with Bret Baier.

<http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2017/02/02/dhs-secretary-border-wall-should-be-finished-in-two-years.html>

Thank you for the consideration. Happy to do a quick call to further discuss.

Catherine V. Herridge
Chief Intelligence Correspondent
Fox News Channel

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 12:27 PM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Subject: RE: Holding that release until Monday

No clue where that is going but will keep you posted

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 12:23 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Holding that release until Monday

I'm guessing you guys are busy with other stuff...

But would still love to write on this release

On Mon, May 8, 2017 at 4:22 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Don't know yet for sure

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: [202.616.0911](tel:202.616.0911)
Cel (b)(6)

From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 4:19 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Holding that release until Monday

Hey - Is this coming out today?

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 4:49 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

No worries man. Have a good weekend.

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 4:46 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Will keep you posted

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

Office: [202.616.0911](tel:202.616.0911)

Cel (b)(6)

Ian Mason

From: Ian Mason
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 8:08 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: holding that release until Monday

Lovely. Thanks Ian. I'll link you the piece when it's up.

On May 5, 2017, at 8:01 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Attributable to me:

"It's beyond disturbing that illegal aliens accused of violent crimes could be charged for lesser crimes based solely on the desire to protect criminal aliens from deportation. That kind of policy rightly raises the question of whether politicians are placing a higher value on sheltering criminal aliens accused of crimes than they are on protecting the victims of those crimes."

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

On May 5, 2017, at 5:38 PM, "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com> wrote:

Monday is also fine. The weekend slipped my mind a moment.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 5:17pm
To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

What's your deadline? I can definitely get something but might not by end of day

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: imason@breitbart.com [<mailto:imason@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 4:54 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

Gotcha. Thanks for everything.

If I could get a comment, at your leisure, on the undercharging business, that would also be

great. Specifically, do you have anything to say about illegals being charged with something other than a "violent felony" affects their deportation priority?

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>

Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 4:47pm

To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>

Subject: holding that release until Monday

Duplicative Material

Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 5:39 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

Cool

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: imason@breitbart.com [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 5:23 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

Duplicative Material

imason@breitbart.com

From: imason@breitbart.com
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 5:21 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

Tomorrow is completely fine.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 5:17pm
To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

Duplicative Material

Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 4:57 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

Let me work something up

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: imason@breitbart.com [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 4:54 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: holding that release until Monday

Duplicative Material

Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:30 AM
To: Scanlon, Katherine; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: request for comment

We have received the letter and are reviewing it.

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Scanlon, Katherine [mailto:kscanlon@theblaze.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:03 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: request for comment

Thanks! Hi Ian, My deadline is at noon. I can be reached (b)(6).

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 11:19:53 PM
To: Scanlon, Katherine
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: request for comment

Adding ian

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
(b)(6)

From: Scanlon, Katherine [mailto:kscanlon@theblaze.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 5:34 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: request for comment

Hi Sarah,

My name is Kate Scanlon and I'm a reporter for TheBlaze. I'm working on a story about Sen. Grassley's criminal referral of Planned Parenthood — among other organizations — to the Department of Justice and the FBI.

Grassley recently asked Attorney General Sessions if any steps have been taken in response to his referral

(link below) and my understanding is that he has yet to receive a response, although he requested one by May 8.

I was wondering if you might be able to comment on the status of that referral?

Thanks,
Kate

[https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/2017-04-24%20CEG%20to%20DOJ%20FBI%20\(follow-up%20on%20fetal%20tissue%20investigation%20referrals\)%20with%20original%20referral.pdf](https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/2017-04-24%20CEG%20to%20DOJ%20FBI%20(follow-up%20on%20fetal%20tissue%20investigation%20referrals)%20with%20original%20referral.pdf)

Murray, Andrew

From: Murray, Andrew
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 9:58 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Hadden, Gavin; Earhardt, Ainsley; Doocy, Steve; Kilmeade, Brian
Subject: Attorney General Sessions available for "Fox and Friends" Tomorrow?

Hi Sarah,

I wanted to follow up on my invitation last night for an interview with Attorney General Sessions. Please let us know if we can schedule him for a live interview with "Fox and Friends" tomorrow (Thursday) on his recommendation to let Director Comey go and change the leadership at the FBI.

Thanks in advance,

Andrew Murray
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"Fox & Friends"
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Koerber, Ashley

From: Koerber, Ashley
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 12:58 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Can AG Sessions join Bret Baier at 6pm?

No problem! Let me know if AG Sessions is available to come on the show any day this week.

Ashley Koerber
Booking Producer
Special Report w/ Bret Baier
Fox News Channel - DC Bureau
(b)(6) (cell)

Sent from my iPhone

On May 9, 2017, at 23:21, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

So sorry I missed this!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
(b)(6)

From: Koerber, Ashley [<mailto:Ashley.koerber@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 5:53 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Can AG Sessions join Bret Baier at 6pm?
Importance: High

To react to Comey??

Ashley Koerber
Booking Producer
Special Report w/ Bret Baier
Fox News Channel DC Bureau
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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 11:22 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Subject: RE: Comey

Sticing with memo/letter tonight

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: imason@breitbart.com [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 5:55 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Comey

Sarah,

Will there be anything from your office on the Comey dismissal tonight?

Thanks so much,
Ian

Robbins, Christina

From: Robbins, Christina
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 10:45 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Req for AG Sessions on Happening Now

Okay

If that changes - just know we're  interested!

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 9, 2017, at 9:04 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

>

> Nothing for us--thanks

>

>> On May 9, 2017, at 8:46 PM, Robbins, Christina <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> Hey Ian and Sarah!

>> Can the Attorney General come on "Happening Now" tomorrow or later this week to talk about the firing of Comey? We can do anytime 11a or 1p hour.

>> Hosts are Jon Scott and Jenna Lee.

>> Thank you!

>>

>> Christina Robbins

>> Happening Now

>> Ce (b)(6)

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>> Sent from my iPhone

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 10:12 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: Benghazi suspect

Nah will leave it at the letter/memo tonight

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 10:01 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Benghazi suspect

Thanks.

It took me awhile but I did finally find that in pacer yesterday.

Any deets on the steps leading up to this Comey thing.

Jake Gibson
Field Producer
Fox News Washington
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@JakeBGibson

On May 9, 2017, at 9:59 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

The suppression hearing in Ahmed Abu Khattala's starts this Wednesday, May 10 at 9am before Judge Cooper.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 3:18 PM
To: Boente, Dana J. (NSD) <djboente@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: FW: Benghazi suspect

Fox News asking if we expect anything new in the Beghazi prosecution this week. Ring any bells?

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]

Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 1:57 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Benghazi suspect

Catherine thinks there is going to be some kind of court action on this case this week.
I can't find it in pacer though.
Any help you can provide would be much obliged.
Thanks.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/public-safety/accused-benghazi-ringleader-abu-khattala-challenges-us-evidence-in-new-court-files/2017/05/02/30d627f4-2ee3-11e7-8674-437ddb6e813e_story.html?utm_term=.16ef615c1f22

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 5:55 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Hi Ian and Sarah! Does the AG want to join Martha tonight on Comey?
Importance: High

By phone if that's the only option or tomorrow? Thank you!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Checking in

Together for the interview.

It's more of a combination DHS is working to stop illegal border crossings and DOJ is focused on prosecuting criminal aliens that are coming here.

But here is the DOJ piece announced last week: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/speech/file/956856/download>

Will also get you the remarks he will give this afternoon in EL Paso. Happy to chat with you to explain anything on there

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:15 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Checking in

And this is the AG and Kelly together for the interview right? It's just a DOJ project so you all are heading? I just want to make sure my promos are correct :)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:11 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Checking in

I think so but you can also email Sarah who is with the AG or call her.

Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov
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From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [<mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:09 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Checking in

I think so... he changed the interview time to 4:30pm ET. I hired a producer on the ground who is getting there at noon and I have him and Silas working together for broll and to set up the interview shot. So we should be good! Is Silas the POC for the guests too?

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:05 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: Checking in

Everything work out with Silas?

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:52 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Checking in

Thanks!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:42 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Checking in

He is going to give this statement at the El Paso US Attorneys Office at 1:30 MT/3:30 ET. This is AG's second trip to the border in two weeks first joint border trip by Kelly and AG together

Statement of Attorney General Jeff Sessions in El Paso Texas

It is a high honor to be here with a man of such integrity, fortitude, and leadership; Secretary Kelly, thank you, Sir for the invitation to join you here in El Paso.

To the brave men and women who secure this border, you have both my sincere thanks and admiration. It is *your* service that not only protects our country, but establishes our sovereignty.

As I learned first-hand last week in Nogales, it is here, on this sliver of land where we establish a beachhead against the cartels, the transnational street gangs like Mara Salvatrucha 13, and the human traffickers. This is ground zero this is the front lines, and this is where we take our stand.

Through the strong leadership of President Trump and Secretary Kelly, we have already made incredible progress and have seen the lowest border crossings in at least 17 years. For those that still seek to violate our laws and enter the country illegally, let me be very clear: Don't come, when you are caught, you will be detained, adjudicated, and deported.

For those that have committed crimes, are gang affiliated, or previously attempted entry, you will be prosecuted, imprisoned, and then deported. It is that simple. We have a lawful system of immigration you should do what over 1 million other immigrants do each year, wait your turn, and come lawfully.

In partnership with the Department of Homeland Security and pursuant to the President's Executive Orders, we at the Department of Justice have recently taken decisive action in this arena:

- With the end of the lawlessness of catch and release, we have surged immigration judges to the border to adjudicate detained illegal aliens;
- I have charged each of the 94 U.S. Attorney's Offices to make criminal immigration enforcement a priority and provided specific guidance how these offenses are to be adjudicated;
- As of Tuesday, each U.S. Attorney's Office now has a border security coordinator who will be personally responsible for overseeing these criminal enforcement efforts and will be reporting back on their progress;
- In addition, we have now streamlined the immigration judge hiring process and to deal with the large backlog of immigration cases from the prior Administration, we will be bringing an additional 50 immigration judges online this year and 75 more next year we will attack this backlog and see these cases adjudicated.

We will maintain our borders, we will enforce Congress' duly enacted laws, and we will protect our communities from the scourge of cartels and gangs. These are not merely aspirational words, but these are bedrock principals of sovereignty.

I once again want to thank the brave men and women of federal, state, and local law enforcement who sacrifice so much for the benefit of all. I want to be very clear: we have your back and you have our thanks.
Secretary Kelly, Thank you, Sir.

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From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:29 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Checking in

Thank you! Anything you have that you could send would be great!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Checking in

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To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Checking in

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:14 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Checking in

Sure!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:11 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Checking in

Duplicative Material

Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 4:10 PM
To: Malia.Zimmerman@FOXNEWS.COM
Subject: FW: media inquiry - Fox News

Hi Malia

The Department of Justice does not generally comment on the existence or non-existence of investigations.

Thanks

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From: Press
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 4:06 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: FW: media inquiry - Fox News

Please let me know if you prefer I send this to one of our spokespeople.

Thank you - Kristen

From: Zimmerman, Malia McLaughlin [<mailto:Malia.Zimmerman@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 3:45 PM
To: Press <Press@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Housley, Adam <Adam.Housley@FOXNEWS.COM>; Zimmerman, Malia McLaughlin <Malia.Zimmerman@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: media inquiry - Fox News

We are writing from Fox News to ask if your agency has opened any sort of investigation into the improper unmasking and leaking of classified information to the press about people associated with Trump, the Trump team and his family.

Or if your agency is investigating the improper unmasking and leaking of classified information to the press related to members of congress and other presidential political candidates.

If you could get back to us by Wednesday morning that would be appreciated.

Thank you.

Adam Housley and Malia Zimmerman
Fox News

Malia Zimmerman
Investigative Reporter,

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Mikkilineni, Rupa

From: Mikkilineni, Rupa
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 11:04 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Spinato, Eric
Subject: Re: Good morning, Sarah

Thank you so much. Apologies, We will be streamlined in future.

Isabella Rupa d.C-Mikkilineni
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Please excuse typos-Sent from my iphone

On May 9, 2017, at 11:00 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

This week wont work. Also helpful to keep booking requests to single POC. Thanks!

S

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Spinato, Eric [<mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 8:38 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Good morning, Sarah

Is it possible to schedule the Attorney General on with Maria, this week.
It would be his first appearance as Attorney General.

I like to have him on either her FBN morning show or live, on *Sunday Morning Futures*, on FNC, at 10a.

I look forward to hear from you.

Thank you
Eric

Eric Spinato

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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Spinato, Eric

From: Spinato, Eric
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 11:01 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Mikkilineni, Rupa
Subject: RE: Good morning, Sarah

Yes. Agree

Eric Spinato

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 11:00 AM
To: Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Mikkilineni, Rupa <Rupa.Mikkilineni@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Good morning, Sarah

Duplicative Material

Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 12:42 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: A couple quick questions

You have a minute?

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Ian Mason

From: Ian Mason
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 10:56 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PRESS GUIDANCE FOR MAY 8, 2017

Right on. Thanks

On May 8, 2017, at 10:53 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

No I don't think its off. Just didn't put it on cuz were not sure

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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From: Ian Mason [<mailto:imason@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 10:52 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fwd: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PRESS GUIDANCE FOR MAY 8, 2017

Ian,

So is the sanctuary memo off for today?

-Ian

Begin forwarded message:

From: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" <USDOJ-Office.of.Public.Affairs@usdoj.gov>
Date: May 8, 2017 at 10:35:36 AM EDT
To: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" <USDOJ-Office.of.Public.Affairs@usdoj.gov>
Subject: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PRESS GUIDANCE FOR MAY 8, 2017

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PRESS GUIDANCE

Monday, May 8, 2017

ATTORNEY GENERAL

There are no scheduled public events.

PRESS RELEASES

There are no scheduled press releases.

EVENTS/HEARINGS

There are no scheduled public events.

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 9:34 PM
To: Dean, Matthew
Subject: Re: Farewell

Thanks, Mat (b)(6)

> On May 5, 2017, at 9:23 PM, Dean, Matthew <Matthew.Dean@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

>

> Today was my official last day at Fox and covering the DOJ beat so I wanted to send a quick note of thanks and my personal contact info.

>

> It's been great working with all of you - this isn't an easy beat to cover and you make it just a little bit easier with your accessibility.

>

> It's been great getting to know you all and please keep in touch!

>

> Matt

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> Cel (b)(6)

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 1:04 PM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Subject: Re: Hey

Yes Sish hopefully

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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On May 5, 2017, at 1:01 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Would that release be today?

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 12:23 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:
ahah I'll take your advice.

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 12:21 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

But honestly I might hold off if I were you. We may be releasing something later that really has that stuff in it

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

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From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 12:13 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Hey

Okay. Thanks.

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 7:00 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Sure as long as you don't say DOJ says it.

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

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Cel (b)(6)

> On May 4, 2017, at 11:59 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

>

> So basically tomorrow I want to do a piece on this idea of using a "carrot" to entice localities to comply with detainers.

>

> Can I include a line that the DOJ is looking at how the San Fran decision could impact this effort?

>

> Thanks,

> Alex Pfeiffer

> Reporter

> The Daily Caller

Emanuel, Mike

From: Emanuel, Mike
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 11:30 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Hello

My pleasure! Thanks for the speedy reply. ☺
All is well over here... busy, busy.
Take care.

ME
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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Emanuel, Mike <Mike.Emanuel@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Hello

What a great note to get! I was just watching one of your segments yesterday and was thinking to myself it had been way too long. Hope the rotunda is treating you well☺

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Emanuel, Mike [mailto:Mike.Emanuel@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 11:19 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Hello

Sarah,

I hope you're having a blast over there at DOJ! I wasn't sure how you did your email. Otherwise, I would have sent a note sooner.

I wish you continued great health, success and happiness! Please keep in touch.

Mike
++++

Mike Emanuel
Chief Congressional / Senior Political Correspondent
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Ian Mason

From: Ian Mason
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 9:30 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: You see this?

Absolutely. Whenever works bes (b)(6)

On May 5, 2017, at 7:38 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Don't think so but I have an idea for a larger story if you have time to chat?

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Office: 202.616.0911
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On May 4, 2017, at 10:20 PM, Ian Mason <imason@breitbart.com> wrote:

I hadn't. Thanks for bringing it to my attention. Is there anything else I should know about the case?

On May 4, 2017, at 9:59 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

http://www.bostonherald.com/news/local_coverage/2017/04/ice_seek_s_uber_rape_suspect

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 4:48 PM
To: Alex Pfeiffer
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Sanctuary Cities

Someone will be right there

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On May 4, 2017, at 4:46 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Hey im down here at the front desk with other reporters

Sent from my iPhone

On May 4, 2017, at 4:18 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

950 Penn,

But come in on Con ave side - right across natural history museum

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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On May 4, 2017, at 4:17 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

What's the exact street address?

On Wed, May 3, 2017 at 4:10 PM, Alex Pfeiffer
<pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

I can go. Looking forward.

On Wed, May 3, 2017 at 4:07 PM, Alex Pfeiffer
<pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Oh um tomorrow might not work. Let me get back to you in a

minute about that.

On Wed, May 3, 2017 at 4:05 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA)

<lan.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hey sorry I meant to say tomorrow!

Ian D. Prior

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On May 3, 2017, at 4:05 PM, Alex Pfeiffer

<pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Yeah I can.

On Wed, May 3, 2017 at 3:56 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA)

<lan.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

We are going to do a deep background briefing on sanctuary cities and 1373 with one of our counsels in the Deputy Attorney General's office – 4:45 pm, Andretta Conference Room, 1st Floor corner of 10th and Cons.

Let me know if you can make it.

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

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Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 4:21 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Sanctuary Cities

Okay

On Thu, May 4, 2017 at 4:18 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Duplicative Material



Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 4:01 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Sanctuary Cities

Hey sorry I meant to say tomorrow!

I'll leave your name at front

Ian D. Prior
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On May 3, 2017, at 3:57 PM, "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com> wrote:

No I haven't.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 3:55pm
To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>, "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Sanctuary Cities

Nope do you have a hard pass for the building?

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From: imason@breitbart.com [<mailto:imason@breitbart.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 3:55 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Sanctuary Cities

Definitely. Anything you need from me?

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 3:50pm
To: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: Sanctuary Cities

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 10:28 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry

Thanks.

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 10:18 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 10:05 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry

Hi - What were the total amount of inmates in the BOP as on March 15, 2017? The press release put out just references the total amount of foreign-born inmates.

Thanks,

Alex Pfeiffer

Reporter

The Daily Caller

Singman, Brooke

From: Singman, Brooke
Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 12:41 PM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: RE: Grand Jury pertaining to Mining in Guinea

Thank you, Peter. Much appreciated.
Brooke

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [mailto:Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 01, 2017 12:21 PM
To: Singman, Brooke <brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: FW: Grand Jury pertaining to Mining in Guinea

Hi Brooke,

Thanks for reaching out to us. As a matter of policy, the department generally neither confirms nor denies whether a matter is under investigation. While I don't have any information on the names or entities named below, we are prosecuting a number of individuals related to bribery in Guinea, including the following:

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/former-guinean-minister-mines-charged-receiving-and-laundering-85-million-bribes-chinese>
<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdny/pr/french-citizen-sentenced-manhattan-federal-court-24-months-prison-obstructing-criminal>

Best,
Peter Carr
Spokesman for the Criminal Division
U.S. Department of Justice

From: Singman, Brooke [mailto:brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, May 01, 2017 11:50 AM
To: Press@usdoj.gov
Subject: Grand Jury pertaining to Mining in Guinea

Hello,

Looking for confirmation of any Grand Jury investigations into mining/ mining licenses in Guinea, involving Mr. George Soros, President Alpha Conde, BSG Resources, and Mamadie Toure, the fourth wife of Guinea's former president.

BSG Resources is suing George Soros for \$10 Billion after a smear campaign against them after he allegedly used his political capital to strip them of their Guinean mining licenses, by accusing them of bribery and corruption.

This Grand Jury would have come together in 2011 or 2012 after a meeting between President Obama and Guinean President Alpha Conde.

My deadline is 1:15p EST.

Thank you,

Brooke Singman
Reporter, Fox News Channel

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From: Spinato, Eric
Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 11:27 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Hello, Sarah

Okay

Eric Spinato

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 01, 2017 11:27 AM
To: Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Hello, Sarah

Appreciate that. At this point, no but I'll let you know if that changes.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Spinato, Eric [mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 11:25 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Hello, Sarah

Okay.

So this will be my one email for the week, including Sunday.

Thank you,
Eric

Eric Spinato

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 01, 2017 11:23 AM
To: Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Hello, Sarah

I think we need to cut down these booking emails to once a week.

Sarah Isgur Flores
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From: Spinato, Eric [<mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 11:01 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Hello, Sarah

I hope you had a great weekend.

Is the Attorney General able to join Maria Bartiromo this week, between Wed. Friday, on her FBN program?
If not, can we have him live, on her FNC Sunday program, at 10a?

Thank you
Eric

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To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Hey Kerry

Thanks.

Kerry Picket
Reporter
The Daily Caller
www.dailycaller.com

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Just did

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From: Kerry Picket [<mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 28, 2017 9:31 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Hey Kerry

Could you inform Peter Carr? He just told me he's not aware of the arrangements.

Thanks,

Kerry Picket
Reporter
The Daily Caller
www.dailycaller.com

On Apr 27, 2017, at 10:50 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hey Kerry I don't think we'll have a ton of time but I'm hoping for 5-7 minutes.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 10:43 AM
To: Kerry Pickett <kerry@dailycaller.com>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Cc: Sarah Isgur Flores <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Hey Kerry

I won't, Sarah Flores will be though. Looping her in

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From: Kerry Pickett [<mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 10:40 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Hey Kerry

Will you be there or will someone else be there so I can make contact for this? Also, how much time will I have with AG Sessions?

Kerry Pickett
Reporter
The Daily Caller
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On Apr 25, 2017, at 1:11 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Yep. Will get you more info. Just trying to dig out here

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From: Kerry Pickett [<mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 1:10 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Hey Kerry

Hi Ian, just writing to confirm that this interview is still on for Friday in Long Island.

Thanks,

Kerry

On Mon, Apr 24, 2017 at 7:44 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA)

<Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

For sure

Ian D. Prior

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On Apr 24, 2017, at 7:41 PM, Kerry Pickett <kerry@dailycaller.com>
wrote:

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Kerry Picket

From: Kerry Picket
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 7:57 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Hey Kerry

Great hearing from you. Look forward to seeing more tomorrow.

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Actually I'll be in Long Island. Let me know the arrangements

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Will do

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On Apr 24, 2017, at 6:12 PM, Kerry Picket <kerry@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Shit. I can't make it. I'm in Atlanta covering the president that day.
Dammit--otherwise I'd be there. Please let me know another
opportunity. I'll be around the Mayor's thing tomorrow, however.

On Mon, Apr 24, 2017 at 6:07 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA)
<ian.prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Do you have a travel budget? AG heading to Long Island on Friday for a pretty big announcement. Could be good to cover and we could get you a few minutes with him after.

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On Apr 24, 2017, at 6:05 PM, Kerry Pickett <kerry@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Thanks, Please keep sending stuff.

On Mon, Apr 24, 2017 at 5:59 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

That's great!

Also, the article Sat was so good.

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From: Kerry Pickett [mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 5:58 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Hey Kerry

Someone else got it. BTW, <http://dailycaller.com/2017/04/24/schumer-makes-light-of-rising-nyc-subway-violence/>

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Want to make sure that you saw this below.

Thx!

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<http://www.brooklynda.org/2017/04/24/acting-brooklyn-district-attorney-eric-gonzalez-announces-new-policy-regarding-handling-of-cases-against-non-citizen-defendants/>

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Spinato, Eric

From: Spinato, Eric
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To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Good morning Sarah

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Eric Spinato

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
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Subject: Re: Good morning Sarah

Sorry--tight schedule this am. Will let you know about openings.

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I see AG Sessions is literally across the street from us, as he is speaking to Matt Lauer

Can he come over, to join Maria Bartiromo, for up to six minutes?

If he can't, can we find a day next week, where he can make his first visit with Maria, o her FBN morning show.

I greatly appreciate your time.

Thank you
Eric

Eric Spinato

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its attachments are without defect.

Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 4:59 PM
To: Bush, Shira
Subject: RE: Fox News RSVP

Got it, thx. No problem.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bush, Shira [mailto:Shira.Bush@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 4:57 PM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Fox News RSVP

Only 3 of us are actually going to be physically at the presser. The other names are crew guys who will just help us set up the shot etc... I wasn't sure who did or did not need creds.

> On Apr 27, 2017, at 4:55 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov> wrote:

>

> We're running out of space for the location, so if there is any way to cut back on those who actually come, that'd be very helpful.

>

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Bush, Shira [mailto:Shira.Bush@FOXNEWS.COM]

> Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:16 PM

> To: peter.carr@usdoj.gov

> Subject: Re: Fox News RSVP

>

> Adding Richard D'elia pls

>

> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Apr 27, 2017, at 12:32 PM, Bush, Shira <Shira.Bush@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> AG SESSIONS FRIDAY EVENT

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>> Shira Bush

>> Bryan Llenas

>> Mark Cubrilo

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[REDACTED]

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>> Please confirm receipt of this!

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:59 PM
To: Bush, Shira
Subject: RE: Fox News RSVP

Done, thx.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bush, Shira [mailto:Shira.Bush@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:16 PM
To: peter.carr@usdoj.gov
Subject: Re: Fox News RSVP

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:51 PM
To: Bush, Shira
Subject: RE: Fox News RSVP

Thanks, I have them all on the RSVP list. Please remember to bring photo IDs and valid media credentials. Also note the camera pre-set time is 9:15. We will have a mult-box for audio but given the number of RSVPs, you might want to consider bringing one with you just in case we need it.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bush, Shira [mailto:Shira.Bush@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 12:32 PM
To: peter.carr@usdoj.gov
Subject: Fox News RSVP

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:52 PM
To: Zusi, Meghan
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

Sorry I won't be able to make this work

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Zusi, Meghan [<mailto:meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 12:53 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

Any chance he might be able to phone in tomorrow or even during Saturday's special show from 10am-12noon?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 12:52 PM
To: Zusi, Meghan
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

Sorry we won't have time this trip

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Zusi, Meghan [<mailto:meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 12:49 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

Sarah,

I see AG Sessions will be in Long Island tomorrow. Any chance we can do a pretape with him and Neil? We can send a camera to his location for a quick interview to make it easier.

Please let me know if we can set this up

From: Zusi, Meghan
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:55 AM
To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)'
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

How about today or tomorrow on Neils FBN show?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:38 AM
To: Zusi, Meghan
Subject: Re: Fox News Your World with Neil Cavuto

Won't be able to do next week. Sorry!

On Apr 20, 2017, at 7:26 AM, Zusi, Meghan <meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Sarah,

Hope all is well. Wanted to circle back with you and see what date next week we can get AG Sessions on with Neil would love to make something work again he is live 12:00-2:00 pm est and again at 4:00 pm est.

What day would be best for him?

From: Zusi, Meghan
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 3:29 PM
To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)'
Subject: RE: Fox News Your World with Neil Cavuto

Sarah,

Just wanted to circle back with you on this. I see AG sessions is on with Bill O'Reilly tomorrow night. Any chance we can work something out for Friday in the 4:00 hour or even next week?

Please let me know.

Many thanks.

From: Zusi, Meghan
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 1:46 PM
To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)'
Subject: RE: Fox News Your World with Neil Cavuto

Sarah,

Hope all is well. Wanted to check back in with you and see when we can get AG Sessions on with Neil. Please let me know when would be best for him.

Many thanks

From: Zusi, Meghan
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 9:46 AM
To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)'
Subject: RE: Fox News Your World with Neil Cavuto

Would be great! Thanks Sarah.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 9:44 AM
To: Zusi, Meghan
Subject: RE: Fox News Your World with Neil Cavuto

Hi unfortunately, I don't he'll have any availability in the near term. But happy to circle back with you when that changes. I can assure you we are keeping Neil in mind.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Zusi, Meghan** <meghan.zusi@foxnews.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 9, 2017 at 9:36 AM
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto
T (b)(6) Sarah Flores

Sarah,

Hope all is well with you. Wanted to circle back when you and see when we can get AG Sessions on the program. Really do hope to make it work soon.

Thanks

From: Zusi, Meghan
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 10:34 PM
To (b)(6) Sarah Flores
Subject: Re: Fox News Your World with Neil Cavuto

Sarah,

Wanted to follow up with you and AG Seasions. Think we can make something work this week?

Let me know.

Many thanks

Meghan Zusi
"Your World with Neil Cavuto"
Fox News Channel New York
Offic (b)(6)
Cel (b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 28, 2017, at 9:36 PM, Zusi, Meghan <meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Sarah,

Hope this mail finds you well. Wanted to touch base with you and see when we can get AG Sessions on with Neil.

He is live from 12:00-2:00 pm and again in the 4:00 pm hour. Please let me know what works best for him.

Many thanks

Meghan Zusi
“Your World with Neil Cavuto”
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Sarah Isgur Flores

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:03 AM
To: Zusi, Meghan
Subject: Re: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

We're on travel

On Apr 20, 2017, at 8:55 AM, Zusi, Meghan <meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2017 9:38 PM
To: Zusi, Meghan
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

Sorry cant fit it in this time

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Zusi, Meghan [mailto:meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2017 9:15 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

Neil's 12:00-2:00 is FBN so it's a different network can we make that work?

Meghan Zusi
"Your World with Neil Cavuto"
Fox News Channel New York
Office (b)(6)
Cell (b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2017, at 9:14 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Sorry--we've committed to doing Hannity tomorrow.

On Apr 10, 2017, at 8:26 PM, Zusi, Meghan <meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Sarah,

I understand that AG Sessions will be in AZ tomorrow. We would love to have him join Neil for an interview. We have a camera at the location we can use. We can do it before the tour in the 12:00-2:00 pm est hour and replay it on FNC at 4:00 pm. Or if live in the 4:00 pm est hour works better for him that would be great as well.

Please let me know what is best for him. Looking forward to working with you to set this up.

Many thanks

Meghan Zusi
“Your World with Neil Cavuto”
Fox News Channel New York
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Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 4, 2017, at 9:06 PM, Zusi, Meghan <meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Understood how is next?

Meghan Zusi
“Your World with Neil Cavuto”
Fox News Channel New York
Offic (b)(6)
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Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 4, 2017, at 8:42 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
<Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Not this week

On Apr 4, 2017, at 8:34 PM, Zusi, Meghan
<meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Sarah,

Hope all is well. Wanted to circle back with you
and see when we can get AG Sessions with
Neil. Again he is live from 12:00-2:00 pm and
again at 4:00 pm est.

We would really like to talk to him about the
recent order he gave to the Justice
Department to review reform agreements the
Obama administration made with police
departments across the country.

Please let me know what would be best for him.
I know timing is hard with his schedule but we
would really love to make it work.

Many thanks

Meghan Zusi
“Your World with Neil Cavuto”
Fox News Channel New York
Office (b)(6)
Cel (b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 29, 2017, at 3:46 PM, Flores, Sarah
Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
wrote:

Hes traveling on Friday. Shows
during the day are difficult because
of his schedule as AG.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
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From: Zusi, Meghan
[<mailto:meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017
3:29 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
<Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Fox News -- Your World
with Neil Cavuto

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 11:00 PM
To: Zusi, Meghan
Subject: Re: Fox News -- Your World with Neil Cavuto

Unlikely. We aren't doing a lot of tv.

On Apr 4, 2017, at 9:06 PM, Zusi, Meghan <meghan.zusi@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:48 PM
To: Kerry Picket; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: hey

Cool Ill get you more

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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From: Kerry Picket [mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:35 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: hey

sure

On Thu, Apr 27, 2017 at 1:21 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Take a look at this story from WaPo: https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/public-safety/once-the-face-of-the-drug-war-he-now-represents-obamas-attempt-at-the-wars-unwinding-norman-brown-thought-hed-die-in-prison-now-hes-free-and-reinventing-his-life/2017/04/27/fdfe0f74-0da7-11e7-ab07-07d9f521f6b5_story.html?tid=ss_tw&utm_term=.af53319ef083

If I could get you a little more background on the guy they are profiling, you think might be interested in doing a “here’s the other side of the story” piece? It’s such a ridiculous puff piece about a guy who led an organization that trafficked about \$1 million of crack per week in the late 80’s early 90’s

Ian D. Prior
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Kerry Picket
Reporter
Kerry@DailyCaller.com
[@KerryPicket](#)
THE DAILY CALLER

Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 12:48 PM
To: Kerry Picket
Subject: RE: Sessions in Long Island Friday

Thanks, Kerry. Please remember to bring your photo ID and a valid media credential.

From: Kerry Picket [mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 4:34 PM
To: peter.carr@usdoj.gov
Subject: Sessions in Long Island Friday

I'd like to RSVP for this.

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Kerry Picket
Reporter
[Kerry@DailyCaller.com](mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com)
[@KerryPicket](#)



Fanning, Elizabeth

From: Fanning, Elizabeth
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 11:20 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov
Subject: Re: Tucker-tomorrow?

Much appreciated!

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 27, 2017, at 11:05, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:
>
> We'll be in new York and flying back tomorrow evening--so that may be tough. But let me run it by him
and see when the schedule has us getting back now.
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> ***
> Sarah Isgur Flores
> Director of Public Affairs
> (b)(6)
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Fanning, Elizabeth [mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM]
> Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 11:05 AM
> To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
> Cc: Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov
> Subject: Re: Tucker-tomorrow?
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> Sent from my iPhone
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>> On Apr 27, 2017, at 10:48, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:
>>
>> Probably cant--but will tucker be in NYC or DC?
>>
>> ***
>> Sarah Isgur Flores
>> Director of Public Affairs
>> (b)(6)
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Fanning, Elizabeth [mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM]
>> Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 10:45 AM

>> To: Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov; Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov

>> Subject: Tucker-tomorrow?

>>

>> Hi guys!

>> Hope all is well. Checking in to see if the AG is available to join Tucker tomorrow in the 8pm hour to talk about his meeting about MS13.

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>> Thanks!

>> Liz

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>> Sent from my iPhone

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 7:00 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Cc: press@usdoj.gov
Subject: RE: DAG First Official Act

Great question. I'll go up and ask!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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-----Original Message-----

From: imason@breitbart.com [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 6:47 PM
To: Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov
Cc: press@usdoj.gov
Subject: DAG First Official Act

Hi Sarah,

Any chance I you know what Deputy AG Rosenstein's first order of business will be after swearing in tonight?

Thanks so much,
Ian Mason
DOJ Reporter, Breitbart News

Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 1:14 PM
To: Sarah Isgur Flores
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry

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On Wed, Apr 26, 2017 at 7:59 AM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Hi - Does the DOJ plan on appealing the decision in San Francisco yesterday?

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:34 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Department of Justice Statement re: District Court for the Northern District of California's Order

Just following up on this.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 25, 2017, at 11:41 PM, Alex Pfeiffer <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Is the DOJ not appealing the decision?

On Tue, Apr 25, 2017 at 7:05 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

The Court upheld the "Government's ability to use lawful means to enforce existing conditions of federal grants or 8 U.S.C. 1373." The Department of Justice previously stated to the Court, and reiterates now, that it will follow the law with respect to regulation of sanctuary jurisdictions. Accordingly, the Department will continue to enforce existing grant conditions and will continue to enforce 8 U.S.C. 1373. Further, the order does not purport to enjoin the Department's independent legal authority to enforce the requirements of federal law applicable to communities that violate federal immigration law or federal grant conditions.

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

Office: [202.616.0911](tel:202.616.0911)

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Lauer, Tim

From: Lauer, Tim
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:33 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

Sounds good I will keep an eye out for it. thank YOU!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:30 AM
To: Lauer, Tim
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

Media advisory coming soon I think 10am speech and then 1045 or so media avail...but don't hold me to that exactly!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Lauer, Tim [mailto:Tim.Lauer@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:29 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

Gotcha. What time is his speech?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:26 AM
To: Lauer, Tim
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

I think the schedule is just too tight for a separate stand alone-but there will be a media avail.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Lauer, Tim [mailto:Tim.Lauer@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:21 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

If we sent cam to the speech could she talk to him for a quick couple minutes?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:20 AM

To: Lauer, Tim
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

Cant this week sorry! (though sadly we will actually be in long island on Friday too so even more convenient if yall want to send a camera to get some footage of his speech!)

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Lauer, Tim [<mailto:Tim.Lauer@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 11:05 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Judge Jeanine

Hi Sarah,
Hope this finds you well. We are looking to pretape 'Justice' this Friday at noon. Judge Pirro would love to have the AG join her for an interview. Can send a crew to DOJ or wherever to help facilitate... If the noon time is not convenient I can look into other options.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Tim

Tim Lauer | Associate Producer
Fox News Channel
Justice with Judge Jeanine
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Kerry Picket

From: Kerry Picket
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 5:51 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: will get you more details later

Got it. Thanks

Kerry Picket
Reporter
The Daily Caller
www.dailycaller.com

On Apr 25, 2017, at 5:04 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

But the press avail will be at the US Attorneys Office in Central Islip at 10 am

We will get you extra time with AG after that

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 5:29 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Ruling in San Francisco

Hi Ian - Does DOJ have any comment on this?

Thanks,
Alex Pfeiffer
Reporter
The Daily Caller

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 4:09 PM
To: Paquette, Cherie
Subject: RE: Fox News Request

Wont be able to do this week sorry!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Paquette, Cherie [mailto:Cherie.Paquette@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 11:43 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Fox News Request

Hi Sarah! Any chance we could make something work this week?

For America's Newsroom with Bill Hemmer and Shannon Bream.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:04 PM
To: Paquette, Cherie
Subject: RE: Fox News Request

Ugh! Had a timing snafu and the thing I had hoped I could give yall moved times. Very sorry but I promise yalls time will be the most convenient some other time!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Paquette, Cherie [mailto:Cherie.Paquette@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:09 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Fox News Request

Ok! Please keep us in mind, we'd love to have him on the show soon. Bill and Shannon are very interested.

Thank you!

Cherie Paquette
Fox News Channel

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 3:05 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hey there! I am. We're doing Happening Now tomorrow just bc of scheduling but I think you will be hearing from us VERY shortly actually.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:57 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Fox News Request

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From: Paquette, Cherie <Cherie.Paquette@foxnews.com>
Date: Tue, Apr 18, 2017 at 2:43 PM
Subject: Fox News Request
To: Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6)

Hi Sarah!

Are you still the best media contact for Attorney General Sessions? Wants to send over a request for him to join us on America's Newsroom, Bill Hemmer and Shannon Bream's show.

Best,

Cherie Paquette

Fox News Channel, Washington D.C. Bureau
Booker, *America's Newsroom* 9AM - 11AM ET
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Sarah Isgur Flores

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@whignewtons

Paquette, Cherie

From: Paquette, Cherie
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:15 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Fox News Request

Ok!! Thank you, keep me posted :)

Cherie Paquette
Fox News Channel

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 5:04 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Duplicative Material

Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 3:18 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry

Got it it's just that throughout those remarks he mentioned declined detainers, which gave the appearance that those jurisdictions were at risk of losing funds. He said: "Unfortunately, some states and cities have adopted policies designed to frustrate this enforcement of immigration laws. This includes refusing to detain known felons on the federal detainer request, or otherwise failing to comply with these laws. For example, the Department of Homeland Security recently issued a report showing that in a single week, there were more than 200 instances of jurisdictions refusing to honor ICE detainer requests with respect to individuals charged or convicted of a serious crime. The charges and convictions against these aliens included drug-trafficking, hit-and-run, rape, sex offenses against a child, and even murder. Such policies cannot continue. "

On Tue, Apr 25, 2017 at 3:00 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

I think the statement today is consistent with what he said on the 27th:

Today I am urging all states and local jurisdictions to comply with all federal laws, including 8 U.S.C. Section 1373. Moreover, the Department of Justice will require jurisdictions seeking or applying for Department grants to certify compliance with Section 1373 as a condition for receiving these awards.

This policy is entirely consistent with the Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs (OJP) guidance issued last July under the previous administration. This guidance requires state and local jurisdictions to comply and certify compliance with Section 1373 in order to be eligible for OJP grants. It also made clear that failure to remedy violations could result in withholding of grants, termination of grants, and disbarment or ineligibility for future grants.

The Department of Justice will also take all lawful steps to claw-back any funds awarded to a jurisdiction that willfully violates Section 1373.

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From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 2:56 PM

To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov>; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

Subject: Press Inquiry

Hi - In his March 27 appearance at the WH press room, Attorney General Jeff Sessions urged state and local jurisdictions to comply with immigration detainers as a "condition" of receiving federal law enforcement grants. He said, "the DOJ will take all lawful steps to claw back any funds to a jurisdiction that willingly violates 8 U.S.C. 1373."

However, Politico [reported](#) today that just violation with 8 u.s.c. 1373 (which is about communications with the feds) will lead to these grants being cut off.

Is that the DOJ's position?

Thanks,

Alex Pfeiffer

Reporter

The Daily Caller

Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 2:30 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Meeting today with mayors

Thanks

On Tue, Apr 25, 2017 at 2:27 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Meeting participants:

Mayor Mitch Landrieu, New Orleans, Vice President, The U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM)

Mayor Steve Benjamin, Columbia, SC, Second Vice President, USCM

Mayor Jorge Elorza, Providence, Co-chair, Immigration Reform Task Force, USCM

Karen Freeman-Wilson, Gary, Chair, Criminal and Social Justice Committee, USCM

Steve Adler, Austin, Member, Advisory Board, USCM

Tom Cochran, CEO and Executive Director, USCM

Chief Tom Manger, Montgomery County, MD, President, Major Cities Chiefs Association

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From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailto:pfeiffer@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 2:06 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Meeting today with mayors

Hi Ian - Can I have a list of the mayors that met with Attorney General Sessions today? I'm curious due to this line in his statement, "We are pleased that the mayors who met with us today assured us they want to be in compliance with the law."

Thanks,
Alex Pfeiffer
Reporter
The Daily Caller

Bonilla, Rachel

From: Bonilla, Rachel
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 10:32 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: TV Interview Request

Thank you so much!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 9:27 AM
To: Bonilla, Rachel
Subject: Re: TV Interview Request

You'll need to contact Frank Sadle (b)(6)

On Apr 25, 2017, at 10:25 AM, Bonilla, Rachel <rbonilla@theblaze.com> wrote:

Hey there,

Hope all is well!

I saw that Carly will be in Dallas this June and wanted to see if she will be able to do an in studio interview with Dana Loesch?

Would love to have her!

Best,
Rachel Bonilla

Rachel Bonilla
Editorial Producer, 'Dana'
theblaze

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 11:01 AM
To: Pepperman, Nicole
Subject: Re: Tomorrow?

Ashley is helping w logistics and getting the crew in--but I'll need to know hit time, topics, etc.

> On Apr 23, 2017, at 10:59 AM, Pepperman, Nicole <Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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> For Sessions? I just emailed Angela. Should I add you to the chain? Sorry I was not aware of that!

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]

> Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 10:58 AM

> To: Pepperman, Nicole

> Subject: Tomorrow?

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> Checking on this. Havent heard anything on details--Is this confirmed? Do we have a hit time?

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imason@breitbart.com

From: imason@breitbart.com
Sent: Saturday, April 22, 2017 8:15 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Heads up

Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Saturday, April 22, 2017 8:09pm
To: "imason@breitbart. com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Subject: Heads up

Ag will be on ABC this week tomorrow

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, April 21, 2017 3:53 PM
To: Francesca.Nestande@foxnews.com
Subject: think you might like this for Sean

Hey Francesca,

Want to make sure you saw this today DOJ sent a letter to 9 sanctuary cities including NYC saying comply with law or risk losing funds: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/departments-justice-sends-letter-nine-jurisdictions-requiring-proof-compliance-8-us-1373>

Bill DeBlasio shoots back with this: "Contrary to their alternative facts, New York is the safest big city in the country, with crime at record lows in large part because we have policies in place to encourage cooperation between NYPD and immigrant communities."

Might be worth reminding people that the cooperation didn't exactly happen in February when DeBlasio's policy led an MS-13 gang member to just roll out of Rikers: <http://nypost.com/2017/02/21/sanctuary-city-law-let-gang-member-walk-free-from-rikers/>

Of course, it wasn't very far from NY City in Long Island where 4 kids were just brutally murdered by MS-13 gang members: <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/02/nyregion/ms-13-gang-killings-long-island.html>

So the idea that DeBlasio isn't soft on crime, as we say in our release, is laughable!

Thanks!

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Friday, April 21, 2017 3:41 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Hello!

Wonderful!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 21, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Hello!

You bet--I thought it was great!

On Apr 21, 2017, at 11:54 AM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thanks for last night Sarah and Ian!
Martha appreciates you coming to her for their first interview.
CNN replayed clips a bunch too so it got a lot of play :)
Have a GREAT weekend,
Karrah

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Re: Hello!

Hi!! So much fun to work together again. Yes--DHS asked to move it up 30 minutes to 430 if y'all can. Let us know if it won't work though and we'll figure it out on their end.

On Apr 20, 2017, at 9:17 AM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi and congrats on your position! Well deserved is an understatement!

Ian says your the on site POC for the AG and Secretary today? I just wanted to confirm that the interview with Martha is good for 4:30pm ET? Silas called his am and changed it from 5p to 4:30pm ET and my producer on the ground has been working with him...

So I just want to ensure we are all on the same page :)

Thanks!

Karrah

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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:30 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Hello!

Nope! We are set that works. So great connecting!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Friday, April 21, 2017 2:08 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Subject: I think you will like this

Remarks below are embargoed until 5:20 pm ET, but wanted to bring your attention to the highlighted portion which is referencing this story: <http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2017/04/17/silicon-valley-ceo-pleads-no-contest-to-abusing-his-wife-and-is-offered-a-deal-for-less-than-30-days-in-jail.html>

The main part of that story, which involves domestic abuse is this: The prosecutor in the case, Assistant District Attorney Steve Fein, described the plea deal to The Daily Beast as a fair outcome, noting that accessory after the fact is also a felony, though not a violent one that would place Gattani at risk of being deported back to his native India. Fein indicated that his boss, Santa Clara District Attorney Jeff Rosen, seeks to avoid such deportations. Fein noted that the plea calls for a six-month jail term, though only 30 days of actual incarceration, with the balance served in the weekend-work program, doing manual labor for eight-hour shifts but otherwise at liberty. Fein maintained that Rastogi offered no objection when he provided her with the details of the deal.

Keep in mind this is the very same county (Santa Clara) suing the admin for its EO to cut off funding to sanctuary cities.

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around the country know that this administration is serious about ending lawlessness at the border. DHS and Department of Justice work hand in glove on these issues and I'm so pleased to have General Kelly as a partner in this fight. Because it is a fight we will win.

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Sent: Friday, April 21, 2017 12:47 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: are you still on vacay?

I am! But you can send to me and I'll get it to the right people. Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 21, 2017, at 12:37, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

If so who should I contact re: something for show tonight?

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Chrise, Melissa

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Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 4:43 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Sec. Sessions San Diego trip inquiry

I am only aware of the 4pm PDT at Border Field State Park in San Diego. Is there another press conference happening around 8 am PDT? Close to the time the AG and Secretary Kelly appear on Fox News Channel for their interview? If so, I just want to make sure we are there for coverage and credentialed as necessary.

I was also told there was the possibility of a portion of a driving tour be open press. I just want to confirm that this is not happening.

Thank you for your help,
Melissa

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 4:08 PM
To: Chrise, Melissa
Subject: FW: Sec. Sessions San Diego trip inquiry

Hi Melissa,

There is only one media event which is the one that the AG is taping an interview w/ Fox

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Cel (b)(6)

From: Press
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 3:08 PM
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Thank you - Kristen

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Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 3:01 PM
To: press@usdoj.gov
Subject: Sec. Sessions San Diego trip inquiry

For Fox News Channel coverage

A cameraman and I are planning to cover the Secretary's visit to San Diego tomorrow. Earlier in the week, one of our DC-based producers received a preliminary FPPO schedule with three open press events. I have the Homeland Security advisory the 4pm PDT media availability. Should we plan for any additional open press events?

Thank you,

Melissa Chrise | Field Producer

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Robbins, Christina

From: Robbins, Christina
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 1:59 PM
To: Brennan, Allison
Cc: Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re:

I don't have a Fox person on location. You guys are sending a CNN producer, right?

Sarah said the location for the shoot will be: Bristol Square Building - [185 West F Street, San Diego, CA](#)

Homeland Investigation - Office of the Special Agent In Charge, San Diego Security Operations Briefing Room

Main Contact (b)(6) for office
Cythia Estrella is going to be the contact ((b)(6)) or she said she'll let me know who else will be there.
Sarah will be there as well.

Let me know if you need anything else

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 20, 2017, at 1:41 PM, Brennan, Allison <Allison.Brennan@turner.com> wrote:

Great Christina, can you get me the people I need to loop in with Jack Hannah who will be on the ground for us?

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Allison Brennan
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From: "Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal)" <Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com>
Date: Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 1:25 PM
To: Allison Brennan <Allison.Brennan@turner.com>, "Robbins, Christina" <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>

Cc: Sarah Isgur Flores <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

Subject: RE:

Great thanks-

Allison I will get the NBC/ MSNBC names for you so when you send out a note it can include everyone as needed.

Sarah Baker | NBC News | Political Booking | Washington D.C | M (b)(6) O (b)(6)
| Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com

From: Brennan, Allison [<mailto:Allison.Brennan@turner.com>]

Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 1:14 PM

To: Robbins, Christina

Cc: Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re:

Hi Guys

Will get you the details and cost asap sorry for the delay lots of random fires I'm putting out. We are set with the producer/crew/truck. I just wanted to double check do we absolutely need a makeup artist there Sarah, does the AG have his own? Totally fine if so I just wouldn't normally send someone.

Also, Sarah, just checking, do we have the address and the details? Did I miss an email?

Thanks!

Alli

--

Allison Brennan

CNNWorldwide

Editorial Producer, Network Booking

Allison.Brennan@cnn.com

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Offic (b)(6)

Twitter: @Alli_Brennan

From: "Robbins, Christina" <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>

Date: Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 11:10 AM

To: Allison Brennan <Allison.Brennan@turner.com>

Cc: "Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal)" <Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com>, Sarah Isgur Flores <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

Subject: Re:

Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 20, 2017, at 11:08 AM, Brennan, Allison <Allison.Brennan@turner.com> wrote:

Hey we have everything set - running to a meeting but will send over the details right after!

--

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Editorial Producer
CNN Worldwide Network Booking
Allison.Brennan@cnn.com

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Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 20, 2017, at 11:07 AM, Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal) <Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com> wrote:

Hey there,

Checking back in the NBC desk is just wondering if you need any assistance on any resources. Keep us posted.

Thanks,
Sarah

From: "Robbins, Christina" <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>
Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 2:56 PM
To: "Brennan, Allison" <Allison.Brennan@turner.com>
Cc: Sarah Baker <sarah.baker@nbcuni.com>, "Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)" <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: connecting for Friday

All sounds good. thank you Allison!

Christina Svolopoulos Robbins
Fox News Channel
Happening Now with Jon Scott & Jenna Lee
Direc (b)(6)
Cel (b)(6)
Email: Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com

From: Brennan, Allison [<mailto:Allison.Brennan@turner.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 2:56 PM
To: Robbins, Christina
Cc: Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: connecting for Friday

We should have a producer, crew and truck coming in to SD from LA. I have someone looking into makeup but if you all have someone you prefer we can go that route. Im hoping to have the costs by tomorrow am at the latest. Is that ok?

--

Allison Brennan

Allison.Brennan@cnn.com

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On Apr 19, 2017, at 2:50 PM, Robbins, Christina

<Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Will you guys be sending your LA truck? Or using a vender? LA Producer?

What kind of costs do you think it will be?

I just need to make sure and send it up the flag pole for approval.

If you need me to look into hiring the makeup or sending the producer from our LA bureau just let me know.

Whatever is easiest for everyone.

Christina Svolopoulos Robbins

Fox News Channel

Happening Now with Jon Scott & Jenna Lee

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Email: Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com

From: Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal)

[<mailto:Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 2:25 PM

To: Brennan, Allison

Cc: Robbins, Christina; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: connecting for Friday

Hey gals,

We would also need make up / crew/ a producer in addition to truck op.

So I'm clear is cnn providing all of those things and we'd split costs?

On Apr 19, 2017, at 1:54 PM, Brennan, Allison

<Allison.Brennan@turner.com> wrote:

Ok great working on the truck, will get back to you with who will be onsite, etc. Also will get back to you with costs.

--

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Twitter: @Alli_Brennan

From: "Robbins, Christina"
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Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 1:30 PM
To: Allison Brennan
<Allison.Brennan@turner.com>, "Baker, Sarah
(NBCUniversal)" <Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com>
Cc: Sarah Isgur Flores
<Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: connecting for Friday

That works for me. Thanks all!

Christina Svolopoulos Robbins
Fox News Channel
Happening Now with Jon Scott & Jenna Lee
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Ce (b)(6)
Email: Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com

From: Brennan, Allison
[<mailto:Allison.Brennan@turner.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 1:23 PM
To: Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal)
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Robbins, Christina
Subject: Re: connecting for Friday

Yes, I believe so I have our people looking into what truck we can get to the site in SD right now. Christina does that work for you?

--

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Editorial Producer, Network Booking
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Twitter: @Alli_Brennan

From: "Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal)"
<Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com>
Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 1:20 PM
To: Allison Brennan
<Allison.Brennan@turner.com>
Cc: Sarah Isgur Flores

<Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>,
"Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com"
<Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com>
Subject: Re: connecting for Friday

Hi guys!

Would CNN pool?

On Apr 19, 2017, at 1:19 PM, Brennan, Allison
<Allison.Brennan@turner.com> wrote:

Thanks, Sarah! Hi Everyone has
anyone put in a request for a truck?
If not, happy to get something
worked out...let me know!

Thanks,
Alli

--

Allison Brennan
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From: Sarah Isgur Flores
<Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at
1:17 PM
To: Allison Brennan
<Allison.Brennan@turner.com>,
"Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com"
<Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com>,
"Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com"
<Sarah.Baker@nbcuni.com>
Subject: connecting for Friday

I'm connecting yall for Friday's
interview.

Order is:
11:05 CNN
11:20 FOX

11:35 MSNBC

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 1:18 PM
To: Brennan, Allison
Cc: Robbins, Christina; Baker, Sarah (NBCUniversal); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re:

Done

On Apr 20, 2017, at 11:14 AM, Brennan, Allison <Allison.Brennan@turner.com> wrote:

Duplicative Material

Spinato, Eric

From: Spinato, Eric
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 12:11 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY: Eric Spinato / Fox Business (b)(6) / eric.spinato@foxnews.com

Copy.
TY

Eric Spinato

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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C (b)(6)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:ian.prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 12:10 PM
To: Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY: Eric Spinato / Fox Business (b)(6) / eric.spinato@foxnews.com

Lets touch base on Monday

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Office: 202.616.0911
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From: Spinato, Eric [mailto:eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 12:09 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY: Eric Spinato / Fox Business (b)(6) / eric.spinato@foxnews.com

We have to have the Attorney General on with Maria.
Therefore, he can join her any day next week, between 7a-9a, on her Fox Business morning show
Or appear live, on Sunday April 30th.

Thank you
Eric

Eric Spinato

Senior Story Editor, Fox Business Network

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C (b)(6)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:ian.prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:54 AM
To: Spinato, Eric <eric.spinato@FOXNEWS.COM>

Subject: FW: MEDIA INQUIRY: Eric Spinato / Fox Business (b)(6) / eric.spinato@foxnews.com

Hey Eric,

We are going to pass this time due to schedule the AG is travelling the next two days and will be tough to do Sunday.

Let's revisit next week or week after?

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On Apr 20, 2017, at 9:45 AM, Creighton, Kelly M (OPA) <kcreighton@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

Wants AG interview with Maria Bartiromo. Tomorrow? Sunday?

Kelly Creighton
Office Manager
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Department of Justice
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Washington, DC 20530
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Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 6:56 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Fox Interview Locations

No worries!

-----Original Message-----

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:lan.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 6:53 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs Office: 202.616.0911 Cel (b)(6)

> On Apr 19, 2017, at 6:49 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

>

> Sorry about this!!

>

> Ian D. Prior

> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs > Office: 202.616.0911 > Cel (b)(6)

>

>

>> On Apr 19, 2017, at 6:48 PM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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>> Thank you!

>>

>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:lan.Prior@usdoj.gov]

>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 6:46 PM

>> To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM>

>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>

>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations

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>> Ok let me follow up with him

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>>

>>> On Apr 19, 2017, at 6:42 PM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

>>>

>>> Hey Ian!

>>> The number below is a generic number for the DOJ >>> Is there a cell phone for Silas? Or can you ask him to call me so we can discuss tonight?

>>> I am a (b)(6)

>>> Thank you!

>>>

>>> -----Original Message-----

>>> From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:lan.Prior@usdoj.gov]

>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 4:50 PM

>>> To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>

>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>

>>> Subject: RE: Fox Interview Locations

>>>

>>> ok

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>>> Ian D. Prior

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>>> -----Original Message-----

>>> From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM]

>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 4:49 PM

>>> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>

>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>

>>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations

>>>

>>> Sure thing I will call him around 615pm?

>>>

>>> I'm at the White house actually now wrapping a Sean Spicer intv so back at the buro in a bit

>>>

>>> Original Message

>>> From: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 4:44 PM

>>> To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>> Subject: RE: Fox Interview Locations

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>>>

>>> Hmm, okay.

>>>

>>> Can you give him a call? He is doing advance and should have all the detail (b)(6)

>>>

>>> But keep me posted

>>>

>>> Ian D. Prior

>>> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs >>> Office: 202.616.0911 >>> Cel (b)(6)

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>>> -----Original Message-----
>>> From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM]
>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 4:41 PM
>>> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
>>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations
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>>> I haven't heard from him...
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>>> Original Message
>>> From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 4:39 PM
>>> To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA)
>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
>>> Subject: RE: Fox Interview Locations
>>>
>>>
>>> Checking. Has Silas (from DOJ) been in touch with anyone over there?
>>>
>>> Ian D. Prior
>>> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs >>> Office: 202.616.0911 >>> Cel (b)(6)
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>>> -----Original Message-----
>>> From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM]
>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 4:37 PM
>>> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
>>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations
>>>
>>> Hi! Any idea of where we can send the crew tomorrow for broll (and when) of them? And where you think we should do the actual intv? The team is arriving tonight so they can do a site survey in the morning
>>>
>>> Original Message
>>> From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 1:50 PM
>>> To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
>>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations
>>>
>>>
>>> Yes
>>>
>>> Ian D. Prior
>>> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs >>> Office: 202.616.0911 >>> Cel (b)(6)
>>>
>>>
>>>> On Apr 19, 2017, at 1:49 PM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:
>>>>

>>>> Hi! Quick q: is tomorrow exclusive?

>>>>

>>>> Original Message

>>>> From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

>>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 9:43 AM

>>>> To: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations

>>>>

>>>>

>>>> Great. So ideally our crew gets there tonight and is familiar with the area. So I leave it to you to tell me where/when they can show up to shoot broll of them touring tomorrow etc. We can shoot the broll before the interview, do the interview and have it all done in time for the 7p show.

>>>>

>>>> Original Message

>>>> From: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>>> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 9:42 AM

>>>> To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

>>>> Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations

>>>>

>>>>

>>>> Absolutely

>>>>

>>>> Ian D. Prior

>>>> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs >>>> Office: 202.616.0911 >>>> Cel (b)(6)

>>>>

>>>>

>>>>> On Apr 19, 2017, at 9:41 AM, Kaplan (Levine), Karrah <Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

>>>>>

>>>>> Good morning Ian!

>>>>> I have our team working on a crew for tomorrow. I was planning on sending 2 cameras - 1 for the interview and 1 for broll. Do you think we can get some shots of them touring the area beforehand? We can then show that in a sidebox during the interview...

>>>>>

>>>>> Original Message

>>>>> From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

>>>>> Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 6:05 PM

>>>>> To: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>>>> Subject: Re: Fox Interview Locations

>>>>>

>>>>>

>>>>> Copy, thanks!

>>>>>

>>>>> I didn't know Sarah was at DOJ!

>>>>>

>>>>> Original Message

>>>>> From: Prior, Ian (OPA)

>>>>> Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:56 PM

>>>>> To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah

>>>>> Subject: FW: Fox Interview Locations

>>>>>

>>>>>

>>>>> So don't have physical addresses yet but we are scouting out where on the border we can do it.
Attached are possible spots

>>>>>

>>>>> Ian D. Prior

>>>>> Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs >>>>> Offic (b)(6) >>>>> Cel (b)(6)

>>>>>

>>>>> -----Original Message-----

>>>>> From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov]

>>>>> Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:54 PM

>>>>> To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>

>>>>> Subject: FW: Fox Interview Locations

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>>>>> ***

>>>>> Sarah Isgur Flores

>>>>> Director of Public Affairs

>>>> (b)(6)

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>>>>> -----Original Message-----

>>>>> From: Darden, Silas V. (OAG)

>>>>> Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:39 PM

>>>>> To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>

>>>>> Subject: Fox Interview Locations

>>>>>

>>>>> Location 1 (look through the signs)

>>>>>

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Location 2:





Pepperman, Nicole

From: Pepperman, Nicole
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 1:13 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Murray, Andrew
Cc: ian.prior@usdoj.gov
Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Thursday) for "Fox & Friends"?

Ok, great .Do you have contact information for our satellite desk to call you?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 1:01 PM
To: Murray, Andrew
Cc: Pepperman, Nicole; ian.prior@usdoj.gov
Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Thursday) for "Fox & Friends"?

Yes weve had a lot of fox shows shoot from here. Happening Now did this morning just a camera guy and an additional light.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Murray, Andrew [<mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 12:59 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Cc: Pepperman, Nicole <Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM>; ian.prior@usdoj.gov
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Thursday) for "Fox & Friends"?

Yes, do you have a studio set up with a camera and fiber or do we need to send a crew and truck? If you have a technical contact please put that person in touch with us so we can work out the logistics.

Andrew Murray
Producer, Politics
"Fox & Friends"
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[New York, NY 10036](#)
Office (b)(6)
Cell # (b)(6)
Cell # (b)(6)
FAX: [\(212\) 301-3421](tel:2123013421)
Email: andrew.murray@foxnews.com
@andrewmurray1

On Apr 19, 2017, at 12:54 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Would 8am-ish at DOJ be a possibility?

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Pepperman, Nicole [<mailto:Nicole.Pepperman@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 12:37 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>; Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: ian.prior@usdoj.gov
Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Thursday) for "Fox & Friends"?

Let me check on this right now! What are his time restrictions and location for Monday morning April 24th?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 10:58 AM
To: Murray, Andrew
Cc: Pepperman, Nicole; ian.prior@usdoj.gov
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Thursday) for "Fox & Friends"?

Actually I was hoping to email y'all about Monday morning? Would that be an option?

On Apr 19, 2017, at 10:57 AM, Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

I wanted to follow up on your offer, please let us know if we can interview Attorney General Sessions on "Fox and Friends" tomorrow or Friday. I will be out of the office but am copying producer Nicole Pepperman who can handle logistics.

Thanks in advance,

Andrew Murray
Producer, Politics
"Fox & Friends"
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[New York, NY 10036](#)
Offic (b)(6)
Cell # (b)(6)
Cell # (b)(6)
FAX: [\(212\) 301-3421](tel:2123013421)
Email: andrew.murray@foxnews.com
@andrewmurray1

On Apr 11, 2017, at 4:46 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Yeah we need to do AG really soon. Want to look at maybe next week?

On Apr 11, 2017, at 1:38 PM, Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thanks he looks good, but I think we are all set for tomorrow, but I appreciate you offering him. We would love to set up an interview with Attorney General Jeff Sessions sometime soon.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
[<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 4:28 PM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Wednesday) for "Fox & Friends"?

Wait! I can do better! Attorney General Landry from Louisiana is great. Y'all should definitely book him. He knows a ton on all the stuff we're doing at DOJ.

On Apr 11, 2017, at 1:14 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

It would probably be me at this point --although I guess I'll be pretty sleepy too;)

On Apr 11, 2017, at 1:08 PM, Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thanks, please let me know who you have in mind and I'll share it with the team in case we can work something out tomorrow. I appreciate the offer.

Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
[<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 4:06 PM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Wednesday) for "Fox & Friends"?

The AG can't do it--but let me know if you want us to find you someone

else potentially.

On Apr 11, 2017, at 10:24 AM,
Murray, Andrew
<Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
wrote:

Hi Sarah,

Please let us know if we
can schedule Attorney
General Sessions to
appear on "Fox &
Friends" tomorrow
(Wednesday) for a LIVE
5-7 minute interview at
7am ET or 8am ET
about his press
conference today.

Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah
Isgur (OPA)
[<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, March
30, 2017 7:49 PM
To: Murray, Andrew
<Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Ian Prior
<ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE:
Embargoed--would F&F
be interested in this for
the am?

You bet Ian can
update you on the
embargo. But if you
don't hear, assume
7am.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public
Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Murray, Andrew
[<mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>]

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 5:37 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
<Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Cc: Ian Prior
<ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE:
Embargoed--would F&F be interested in this for the am?

Thank you Sarah,

At this point we can't guarantee we would air it, but let us know what time the embargo is over so if we do decide to use it.

Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
[<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 4:27 PM
To: Murray, Andrew
<Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Ian Prior
<ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Embargoed--would F&F be interested in this for the am?

In response to this episode:
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Murray, Andrew

From: Murray, Andrew
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 4:47 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Wednesday) for "Fox & Friends"?

Yes, please! Any day works!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 4:46 PM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions Available Tomorrow (Wednesday) for "Fox & Friends"?

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 9:01 PM
To: Murray, Andrew
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Ian Prior
Subject: Re: Embargoed--would F&F be interested in this for the am?

7 am embargo. Thanks Andrew!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 30, 2017, at 7:55 PM, Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thank you!

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On Mar 30, 2017, at 7:48 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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March 29, 2017

The Honorable Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye
Chief Justice
Supreme Court of California
350 McAllister Street
San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye:

Thank you for your March 16, 2017 letter regarding concern about reports from some California trial courts that suggest law enforcement officers, engaged in the performance of their duties with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), are “stalking” individuals at courthouses to make arrests.

As the chief judicial officer of the State of California, your characterization of federal law enforcement officers is particularly troubling. As you are aware, stalking has a specific legal meaning in American law, which describes criminal activity involving repetitive following or harassment of the victim with the intent to produce fear of harm. The arrest of persons in a public place based upon probable cause has long been held by the United States Supreme Court as constitutionally permissible. *See U.S. v. Watson*, 432 U.S. 411 (1976). Further, ICE officers and agents are authorized by federal statute to make arrests of aliens where probable cause exists to believe that such aliens are in violation of immigration laws. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1357.

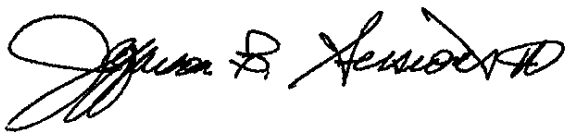
To be clear, the arrest of individuals by ICE officers and agents is predicated on investigation and targeting of specific persons who have been identified by ICE and other law enforcement agencies as subject to arrest for violations of federal law. ICE does not engage in “sweeps” or other indiscriminate arrest practices.

Some jurisdictions, including the State of California and many of its largest counties and cities, have enacted statutes and ordinances designed to specifically prohibit or hinder ICE from enforcing immigration law by prohibiting communication with ICE, and denying requests by ICE officers and agents to enter prisons and jails to make arrests. Such policies threaten public safety, rather than enhance it. As a result, ICE officers and agents are required to locate and arrest these aliens in public places, rather than in secure jail facilities where the risk of injury to the public, the alien, and the officer is significantly increased because the alien can more readily access a weapon, resist arrest, or flee. Because courthouse visitors are typically screened upon entry to search for weapons and other contraband, the safety risks for the arresting officers and persons being arrested are substantially decreased.

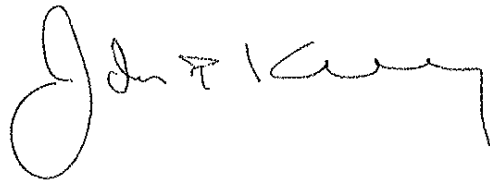
We agree with you that the enforcement of our country's immigration laws is necessary, and that we should strive to ensure public safety and the efficient administration of justice. Therefore, we would encourage you to express your concerns to the Governor of California and local officials who have enacted policies that occasionally necessitate ICE officers and agents to make arrests at courthouses and other public places.

The men and women of federal law enforcement perform their duties with the highest degree of professionalism and public service. As ICE undertakes the necessary enforcement of our country's immigration laws, its officers and agents will continually improve their operations to meet the challenges to effective enforcement, including state and local policies that hinder their efforts. While these law enforcement personnel will remain mindful of concerns by the public and governmental stakeholders regarding enforcement activities, they will continue to take prudent and reasonable actions within their lawful authority to achieve their mission.

Sincerely,



Jefferson B. Sessions III
Attorney General



John F. Kelly
Secretary of Homeland Security

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 10:29 AM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: could be a good story--

This WAPO story was nuts. I went back to 1993 and there's never been a US attorney nominated before June President Trump is ahead of the curve by every measure and they keep writing these silly stories to try to fit their msm narrative: https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/a-month-after-dismissing-federal-prosecutors-justice-department-does-not-have-any-us-attorneys-in-place/2017/04/18/d94c4bd0-2442-11e7-b503-9d616bd5a305_story.html?utm_term=.ab21b8102592

- President Clinton: first US Attorneys nominated in June 1993
- President Bush: first US Attorneys nominated in September 2001
- President Obama: first US Attorneys nominated in June 2009
- President Trump successfully nominated now Justice Gorsuch to the Court within days of taking the oath.
- There are several nominations already pending with the Senate Judiciary Committee who also would handle the nominations of any US Attorneys.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 10:18 AM
To: Robbins, Christina
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: AG Sessions is live for the whole first block of our 11a

Will do

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

On Apr 19, 2017, at 10:10 AM, Robbins, Christina <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Just a heads up - we have him live for the whole A block of the 11a hour (11a-1110a).
Can you make sure he is seated before 11a? 1050a or 1055a if possible. The control room will be freaking if they don't see him before 11a ;)

That's all!

Christina Svolopoulos Robbins
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From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 9:35 AM
To: Robbins, Christina; Ian D. Prior (Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov)
Subject: RE: AG Sessions at 11a from DOJ briefing Room

Sounds great, thx!

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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From: Robbins, Christina [<mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 9:26 AM
To: Ian D. Prior (Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: AG Sessions at 11a from DOJ briefing Room

Good morning!

We're all set for Jenna Lee to interview AG Sessions at 11a today. She'll ask him about his trip to the border, MS-13, immigration laws, arrests etc...
He'll be right off the top and I told them he HAS to be out by 11:12a.

The crew on location will b (b)(6) (b)(6) (b)(6) may also come and help - Ce (b)(6)

All good on your end? Anything you want to send over – please do!

Christina Svolopoulos Robbins

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Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:57 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA); Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Possible Interview with AG Sessions and Sec Kelly at Border

Ok no prob

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From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:55 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Possible Interview with AG Sessions and Sec Kelly at Border

Martha's in but we don't think she can get down there so it would have to be remote.

PS. If they want to go after MS-13 they should also visit Springfield, VA. Out of control in northern Virginia!
:)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:45 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Possible Interview with AG Sessions and Sec Kelly at Border

You want to give me a call now?

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From: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah [mailto:Karrah.kaplan@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:43 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Possible Interview with AG Sessions and Sec Kelly at Border

Hi Ian!
Absolutely.
Would Martha need to be there with them or would this be on remote? Please let me know what you need from me or if you'd like to speak by phone.
Thank you,
Karrah

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:39 PM
To: Kaplan (Levine), Karrah
Subject: Possible Interview with AG Sessions and Sec Kelly at Border

Hi Karrah,

On Thursday, Attorney General Sessions and DHS Secretary Kelly will be touring the border together. We were wondering if Martha would be interested in doing a taped interview with them (around 5 pm ET) to air that evening. We were thinking the focus could be on stopping drug traffickers and MS-13 through tougher border security, but would certainly be open to other areas as well.

Let me know what you think.

Thanks!

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:52 PM
To: Dunham, Laura
Subject: FW: REMARKS BY ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS AT MEETING OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S ORGANIZED CRIME COUNCIL AND OCDETF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Attachments: Department of Justice Fact Sheet on MS-13.pdf

Want to make sure yall have this for tonight!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:51 PM
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NOTE: The Department of Justice Fact Sheet on MS-13 is attached as a PDF.



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**REMARKS BY ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS AT MEETING OF THE ATTORNEY
GENERAL'S ORGANIZED CRIME COUNCIL AND OCDETF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

Remarks as prepared for delivery

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I want to thank the Organized Crime Council for convening today as they have done since 1970. We represent law enforcement from across the government: FBI, DEA, ATF, US Marshals Service, DEA, Secret Service, US Immigration and Customs Enforcement, US Coast Guard, IRS, Labor Department, State Department, US Postal Service, and the director of our Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF). This is the federal team, but we all know well that we have essential partners and leaders in our state and local offices. This can only be done together.

In February, President Trump issued an executive order to us to interdict and dismantle transnational criminal organizations, and today we'll be proposing concrete ideas to follow through on President Trump's directive.

So let me state this clearly. Under President Trump, the Justice Department has zero tolerance for gang violence. Transnational criminal organizations like MS-13 represent one of the gravest threats to American safety. These organizations enrich themselves by pedaling poison in our communities, trafficking children for sexual exploitation, and inflicting horrific violence in the communities where they operate.

MS-13 has become a symbol of this plague that has spread across our country and into our communities. There are over 30,000 members abroad with their headquarters in the El Salvadoran prison system. According to the National Gang Intelligence Center, MS-13 now has more than 10,000 members in at least 40 states in this country up significantly from just a few years ago.

Because of an open border and years of lax immigration enforcement, MS-13 has been sending both recruiters and members to regenerate gangs that previously had been decimated, and smuggling members across the border as unaccompanied minors. They are not content to simply ruin the lives of adults MS-13 recruits in our high schools, our middle schools, and even our elementary schools.

Just a few days ago, law enforcement believes that members of MS-13 murdered 4 young men and dumped their bodies in a park on Long Island. Last month, it was two teenage girls in Los Angeles who were killed with machetes and baseball bats. A few weeks ago, the FBI added an MS-13 member to their Ten Most Wanted Fugitives List for a suspected brutal murder with a baseball bat and screwdriver all purportedly to earn his MS-13 tattoo. Violence is an initiation rite. They've killed mothers alongside their children and vice versa. They have gang raped and trafficked girls as young as 12 years old.

We cannot allow this to continue. We will secure our border, expand immigration enforcement, and choke-off supply lines. If you are a gang member: We will find you. We will devastate your networks. We will starve your revenue sources, deplete your ranks, and seize your profits. We will not concede a single block or street corner to your vicious tactics.

We recognize this will not be easy. But the organizations here worked together to take down the Mafia and the Colombian cartels. We can do it again. It will require a commitment from not only all federal, state, and

local law enforcement, but from everyday Americans who refuse to allow the current gang violence to be the status quo any longer.

Let me add: Sanctuary cities dangerously undermine this process. Harboring criminal aliens only helps violent gangs like MS13. Sanctuary Cities are aiding these cartels to refill their ranks and putting innocent life including the lives of countless law-abiding immigrants in danger.

Today is just the beginning. There will be much more in the coming weeks and months as we seek to eradicate these transnational criminal organizations. Under the Trump Administration and this Department of Justice, there will be no safe quarter for gangs and those that support them.

Thank you again for being here. I'm happy to take a couple questions from the media and then we will get started.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FACT SHEET ON MS-13

While MS-13 is not the only transnational gang this administration will target, we believe the following background information attributed as “information provided by the Justice Department” will be helpful:

- MS-13, which is short for La Mara Salvatrucha, is a gang composed primarily of immigrants or descendants of immigrants from El Salvador. In the United States, MS-13 has been functioning since at least the 1980s. The name “Mara Salvatrucha” is a combination of several slang terms. The word “Mara” is the term used in El Salvador for “gang.” The phrase “Salvatrucha” is a combination of the words “Salva,” which is an abbreviation for “Salvadoran,” and “trucha,” which is a slang term for “alert,” “look out,” or “cunning.” The “13” refers to the thirteenth letter of the alphabet, or “M,” which denotes the gang’s allegiance to the Mexican Mafia, a prison gang. Their motto is “kill, rape, control.”
- In the United States, the MS-13 gang originated in Los Angeles, California, where MS-13 members engaged in turf wars for the control of drug distribution locations. MS-13 quickly spread to states across the country, with a large presence in New York, Virginia, and the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. According to the National Gang Intelligence center, MS-13 is a national and international criminal organization with more than 30,000 members in the world, and more than 10,000 in the United States. They regularly conduct gang activities in at least forty states and the District of Columbia. MS-13 is one of the largest street gangs in the United States. Gang members actively recruit members, including juveniles, from communities with a large number of immigrants from El Salvador.
- Through the combined efforts of federal, state, and local law enforcement, great progress was made diminishing or severely disrupted the gang within certain targeted areas of the US by 2009 and 2010.
- Recent investigations in some regions of the country have revealed that major leaders of MS-13 in El Salvador, many of whom are in prison there for murder, kidnapping or extortion, have been sending representatives to cross into the U.S. illegally, to gain control of local MS-13 cliques and reconstitute them. These emissaries then connect the local MS-13 cliques to their jailed leaders in El Salvador by cell phone. The gang leaders in El Salvador then institute what MS-13 has been calling “The Program”, or “La

Programma,” in which they direct the American MS-13 cliques to become more violent to control territory. They are attempting to accomplish this goal not only by killing rivals, but also by extorting legitimate businesses run by legal Central American immigrants and illegal businesses such as prostitution and gambling. The leaders demand that the local, U.S.-based MS-13 clique send a portion of the resultant profits to the leadership in El Salvador to enrich the gang and expand its activities.

- The United States cannot defeat MS-13 alone: this is a transnational criminal group, and the solution accordingly must also be transnational. In recognition of the critical role these international relationships play in attacking MS-13, one of Attorney General Sessions’ first Ministerials has been with the Attorneys General of the Northern Triangle. As a result of that Ministerial, the four Attorneys General of the United States, El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras have jointly pledged to target MS-13.

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Robbins, Christina

From: Robbins, Christina
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:56 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Interview with Attorney General - Weds at 11a ET on Fox

Karrah's your girl -
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Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:55 PM
To: Robbins, Christina (b)(6) Fox Camera Operator
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Interview with Attorney General Weds at 11a ET on Fox

Christina,

I need a favor do you have a contact for Martha's show?

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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From: Robbins, Christina [mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:09 PM
T (b)(6) - Fox Camera Operator
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Interview with Attorney General - Weds at 11a ET on Fox

Hi Stephen –
Thank you for shooting our interview with AG Sessions tomorrow at 11a. He will be clear by 11:12a.

The POC at DOJ will be – (also cc'd)
Ian D. Prior - Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)
Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov

We'd like to do this from the DOJ Briefing room on the 7th floor of the DOJ building.

Thank you!

Christina Svolopoulos Robbins
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From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:47 PM
To: (b)(6)
Subject: Re: Interview with Attorney General - Weds at 11a ET on Fox

Sorry meant that to go to Christina

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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Cel (b)(6)

On Apr 18, 2017, at 4:46 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

Favor - do you have a contact for Martha McCallums show?

Ian D. Prior
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On Apr 18, 2017, at 4:11 PM (b)(6) wrote:

It's news to me. Haven't heard about it until now.

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 4:09 PM, Robbins, Christina
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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:54 PM
To: Dunham, Laura; Lynn, Emily; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS-13?

Ok no prob

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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From: Dunham, Laura [mailto:Laura.dunham@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:40 PM
To: Lynn, Emily <Emily.Lynn@FOXNEWS.COM>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS-13?

Hi Ian!

One quick update the hit time moved up a bit to 9:10pmET, all other details remain the same.

Thank you!
Laura

From: Lynn, Emily
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:09 PM
To: Dunham, Laura; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS 13?

Thanks, Laura. Ian, let me know if you need anything and we'll see you all this evening!

From: Dunham, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:07 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Emily <Emily.Lynn@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: RE: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS-13?

Fantastic, thank you! Please let me know if there's any more info you need from me from here on out.

My cell i (b)(6)
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Also passing along a POC at the DC bureau (as I'm up in NYC) for you when you arrive. Emily is cc'd here and her cell is (b)(6)

Thanks again! Looking forward to the interview.
Laura

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:56 PM
To: Dunham, Laura
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS 13?

Ok we're in and will be there

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:47 PM, Dunham, Laura <Laura.dunham@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Great. Let's lock in tonight! Hit time will be 9:30pmET (topic MS-13)--- is he able to come to the DC bureau to be on set with Tucker?

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:40 PM
To: Dunham, Laura
Cc: Fanning, Elizabeth; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS 13?

He can do live tonight

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:23 PM, Dunham, Laura <Laura.dunham@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Just following up we'd love to have him tonight. Can the AG do this live in the 9pmET hour? Or is a pretape the only option?

From: Dunham, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:11 PM
To: Fanning, Elizabeth; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS 13?

Hi Ian!

Thank you so much for passing this along. We'd love to have him, but exploring options- is there any chance the Attorney General is available to do this tomorrow?

Thanks,
Laura

From: Fanning, Elizabeth
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:03 PM

To: Prior, Ian (OPA); Dunham, Laura

Subject: Re: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS 13?

I'm out of the office but I passed this along. Laura looped in will handle if we can fit t tonight. Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 18, 2017, at 12:54, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Not sure if you saw: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/speech/remarks-attorney-general-jeff-sessions-meeting-attorney-general-s-organized-crime-council>

Let me know if Tucker would be interested in having the AG on. We could pre-tape too

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:48 PM
To: Dunham, Laura
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS-13?

Stand by

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:47 PM, Dunham, Laura <Laura.dunham@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:33 PM
To: Dunham, Laura
Cc: Fanning, Elizabeth; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS-13?

Can't do tomorrow.

Let m check re live

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:23 PM, Dunham, Laura <Laura.dunham@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:22 PM
To: Dunham, Laura
Cc: Fanning, Elizabeth; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS-13?

Let me check Laura

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:20 PM, Dunham, Laura <Laura.dunham@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Fanning, Elizabeth

From: Fanning, Elizabeth
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:00 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Any room on Tucker tonight to talk MS-13?

Checking! Stand by

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 18, 2017, at 12:54, Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:48 PM
To: Robbins, Christina; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Ok thanks Christina

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From: Robbins, Christina [mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:47 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Great. and the crew will be ...

(b)(6). He can be reached (b)(6).

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Email: Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:45 PM
To: Robbins, Christina; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Yes.

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From: Robbins, Christina [mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:35 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Okay. we'll be sure he's out by 1112a
Ordering crew now. Will you be the POC at DOJ?

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From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Robbins, Christina; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

So he has to be clear by 11:12. Has to be back in his office at 11:15

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From: Robbins, Christina [<mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:06 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Is there ANY way he can do 11:10a? clear by 1120a?

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Email: Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:00 PM
To: Robbins, Christina
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Perfect

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:59 PM, Robbins, Christina <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Wonderful. I'll work on securing the studio.
What is his "hard out" time? Can he do 11a-1110a?

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From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:57 PM
To: Robbins, Christina
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Req for an interview with Attorney General

We can do it but it has to be at top of hour and here at DOJ. We have a satellite link

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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Cel (b)(6)

On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:42 PM, Robbins, Christina <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Yes, we'd still want him.

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Email: Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:40 PM
To: Robbins, Christina
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Req for an interview with Attorney General

He may be doing Tucker tonight. Would you still want him tomorrow if that happens?

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:22 PM, Robbins, Christina <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi!
How's it looking for tomorrow?
Fingers crossed!!

Christina

On Apr 18, 2017, at 11:28 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

So we MAY be able to make tomorrow work if it is right at 11. I think we would prefer to talk about the Thursday/Friday trip and MS-13 if possible.

I will know for sure in an hour or so

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From: Robbins, Christina
[<mailto:Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 9:15 AM
To: IAN.PRIOR@usdoj.gov
Subject: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Hey Ian
Congrats on the job at DOJ!!
Jenna Lee and Jon Scott would love to interview AG Session on "Happening Now". We can talk about his op-ed in USA Today on crime....his upcoming trip to the border, enforcing immigration laws etc...
We can do this live M-F in the 11a or 1p hour or we could even tape something. If something might work with the schedule, please let me know. I appreciate it!

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Jeff Sessions: 'Avoid harmful federal intrusion'
USA Today
Op-Ed
Jeff Sessions
April 17, 2017 6:02 PM
<https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2017/04/17/jeff-sessions-avoid-harmful-federal-intrusion-editorials-debates/100579848/>

Our first priority must be to save lives and restore public safety.

Violent crime is surging in American cities. To combat this wave of violence and protect our communities, we need proactive policing. Yet in some cities, such policing is diminishing with predictably dire results.

In Chicago, arrests have fallen 36% since 2014 to the lowest level in at least 16 years. Last year, they fell in every major crime category, and they fell in every single district in the city. To put that in perspective, out of more than 500 non-fatal shootings in early 2016, only seven resulted in any sort of arrest. That's 1%. Not surprisingly, as arrest rates plummeted in those years, the murder rate nearly doubled. Meanwhile in Baltimore, while arrests have fallen 45% in the past two years, homicides have risen 78%, and shootings have more than doubled.

Yet amid this plague of violence, too much focus has been placed on a small number of police who are bad actors rather than on criminals. And too many people believe the solution is to impose consent decrees that discourage the proactive policing that keeps our cities safe.

The Department of Justice agrees with the need to rebuild public confidence in law enforcement through common-sense reforms, such as de-escalation training, and we will punish any police conduct that violates civil rights. But such reforms must promote public safety and avoid harmful federal intrusion in the daily work of local police.

When proactive policing declines and violent crime rises, minority communities get hit the hardest. We will not sign consent decrees for political expediency that will cost more lives by handcuffing the police instead of the criminals. Every neighborhood needs to be safe and peaceful.

Our first priority must be to save lives, restore public safety, and bring back the community policing that we know works. To help achieve those goals, the department, with the help of our federal, state and local law enforcement partners, will focus our efforts on thwarting violent crime, drug trafficking, and gun crime and gang violence. If combating violent crime and restoring public safety are seen as dramatic reversals, then I fully support such a sea change.

Jeff Sessions is the attorney general of the United States.

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Robbins, Christina

From: Robbins, Christina
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:04 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Copy working on that now.

Christina Svolopoulos Robbins
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Email: Christina.Robbins@FoxNews.com

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:04 PM
To: Robbins, Christina
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Just so it's clear we would have AG here at DOJ and have someone come here with camera to do in our studio.

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 3:00 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

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Robbins, Christina

From: Robbins, Christina
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 11:29 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

That would be awesome....and we'd be happy to talk about the trip.
Just let me know and we'll make it happen.

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Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 11:28 AM
To: Robbins, Christina; IAN.PRIOR@usdoj.gov
Subject: RE: Req for an interview with Attorney General

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 9:54 AM
To: Robbins, Christina
Cc: IAN.PRIOR@usdoj.gov
Subject: Re: Req for an interview with Attorney General

Thanks Christina!

Let me check on this

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 9:15 AM, Robbins, Christina <Christina.Robbins@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:31 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov)
Subject: FW: Interested in having AG Sessions on tonight?

From: Dunham, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:30 PM
To: Wells, Justin; Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: Interested in having AG Sessions on tonight?

Thank you, Jake! I got looped in with his people and I'm in touch with them now (with Ian Prior specifically) and coordinating details!

From: Wells, Justin
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:24 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Cc: Dunham, Laura
Subject: RE: Interested in having AG Sessions on tonight?

Thanks Jake! We're definitely interested.

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:23 PM
To: Wells, Justin <justin.wells@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: FW: Interested in having AG Sessions on tonight?

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:15 PM
To: Fanning, Elizabeth; Wells, Justin
Subject: Interested in having AG Sessions on tonight?

I am filling in as our DOJ producer today.

Press people here have seen Tucker talking about MS13 the last couple nights and are offering up the AG tonight since he just launched a new effort to combat the gang at a press conference this morning here at the DOJ.

Interested?

Jake Gibson
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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:27 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

Cool are they going to reach out?

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:25 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

They are definitely interested.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:12 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

She could just be at lunch but her VM isn't set up and I was worried she could be out of town.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Gibson, Jake [mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:10 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

Understood.

Let me poke around and see who to talk to.

Usually I go to Fanning.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

Yeah...to talk MS13 since Tucker has been on it these last few days

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Director of Public Affairs

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From: Gibson, Jake [<mailto:Jake.Gibson@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

For the AG to be on Tucker tonight.... Tonight?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:08 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

Not hearing back---anyone else youd recommend?

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:13 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

Right...
I'm on it.
Will get back to you soon.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 1:12 PM
To: Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: trying to reach elizabeth fanning w tucker for tonight potentially

Duplicative Material

Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:55 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Mears, William
Subject: Re: embargoed to 930am

Got it.
Thanks!

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 8:44 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:36 AM
To: Dean, Matthew <Matthew.Dean@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: embargoed to 930am

Here's an advanced copy embargoed to 930. Hope yall can cover it. Background info on MS13 at the bottom:

Statement by Attorney General Jeff Sessions
Meeting of the Attorney General's Organized Crime Council and OCDETF
Executive Committee
April 18, 2017

I want to thank the Organized Crime Council for convening today as they have done since 1970. We represent law enforcement from across the government: FBI, DEA, ATF, US Marshals Service, DEA, Secret Service, US Immigration and Customs Enforcement, US Coast Guard, IRS, Labor Department, State

Department, US Postal Service, and the director of our Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. This is the federal team, but we all know well that we have essential partners and leaders in our state and local offices. This can only be done together.

In February, President Trump issued an executive order to us to interdict and dismantle transnational criminal organizations, and today we'll be proposing concrete ideas to follow through on President Trump's directive.

So let me state this clearly. Under President Trump, the Justice Department has ZERO tolerance for gang violence. Transnational criminal organizations like MS-13 represent one of the gravest threats to American safety. These organizations enrich themselves by pedaling poison in our communities, trafficking children for sexual exploitation, and inflicting horrific violence in the communities where they operate.

MS-13 has become a symbol of this plague that has spread across our country and into our communities. There are over 30,000 members abroad with their headquarters in the El Salvadoran prison system. According to the National Gang Intelligence Center, MS-13 now has more than 10,000 members in at least 40 states in this country up significantly from just a few years ago.

Because of an open border and years of lax immigration enforcement, MS-13 has been sending both recruiters and members to regenerate gangs that previously had been decimated, and smuggling members across the border as unaccompanied minors. They are not content to simply ruin the lives of adults MS-13 recruits in our high schools, our middle schools, and even our elementary schools.

Just a few days ago, law enforcement believes that members of MS-13 murdered 4 young men and dumped their bodies in a park on Long Island. Last month, it was two teenage girls in Los Angeles who were killed with machetes and baseball bats. A few weeks ago, the FBI added an MS-13 member to their Ten Most Wanted Fugitives List for a suspected brutal murder with a baseball bat and

screwdriver all purportedly to earn his MS-13 tattoo. Violence is an initiation rite. They've killed mothers alongside their children and vice versa. They have gang raped and trafficked girls as young as 12 years old.

We cannot allow this to continue. We will secure our border, expand immigration enforcement, and choke-off supply lines. If you are a gang member: We will find you. We will devastate your networks. We will starve your revenue sources, deplete your ranks, and seize your profits. We will not concede a single block or street corner to your vicious tactics.

We recognize this will not be easy. But the organizations here worked together to take down the Mafia and the Colombian cartels. We can do it again. It will require a commitment from not only all federal, state, and local law enforcement, but from everyday Americans who refuse to allow the current gang violence to be the status quo any longer.

Let me add: Sanctuary cities do nothing more than undermine this process. Harboring criminal aliens only helps violent gangs like MS13. Sanctuary Cities are aiding these cartels to refill their ranks and putting innocent life including the lives of countless law-abiding immigrants in danger.

Today is just the beginning. There will be much more in the coming weeks and months as we seek to eradicate these transnational criminal organizations. Under the Trump Administration and this Department of Justice, there will be no safe quarter for gangs and those that support them.

Thank you again for being here. I'm happy to take a couple questions from the media and then we will get started.

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While MS-13 is not the only transnational gang this administration will target, we believe the following background information attributed as "information provided by the Justice Department" will be helpful:

- MS-13, which is short for La Mara Salvatrucha, is a gang composed primarily of immigrants or descendants of immigrants from El Salvador. In the United States, MS-13 has been functioning since at least the 1980s. The name "Mara Salvatrucha" is a combination of several slang terms. The word "Mara" is the term used in El Salvador for

“gang.” The phrase “Salvatrucha” is a combination of the words “Salva,” which is an abbreviation for “Salvadoran,” and “trucha,” which is a slang term for “alert,” “look out,” or “cunning.” The “13” refers to the thirteenth letter of the alphabet, or “M,” which denotes the gang’s allegiance to the Mexican Mafia, a prison gang. Their motto is “kill, rape, control.”

- In the United States, the MS-13 gang originated in Los Angeles, California, where MS-13 members engaged in turf wars for the control of drug distribution locations. MS-13 quickly spread to states across the country, with a large presence in New York, Virginia, and the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. According to the National Gang Intelligence center, MS-13 is a national and international criminal organization with more than 30,000 members in the world, and more than 10,000 in the United States. They regularly conduct gang activities in at least forty states and the District of Columbia. MS-13 is one of the largest street gangs in the United States. Gang members actively recruit members, including juveniles, from communities with a large number of immigrants from El Salvador.
- Through the combined efforts of federal, state, and local law enforcement, great progress was made diminishing or severely disrupted the gang within certain targeted areas of the US by 2009 and 2010.
- Recent investigations in some regions of the country have revealed that major leaders of MS-13 in El Salvador, many of whom are in prison there for murder, kidnapping or extortion, have been sending representatives to cross into the U.S. illegally, to gain control of local MS-13 cliques and reconstitute them. These emissaries then connect the local MS-13 cliques to their jailed leaders in El Salvador by cell phone. The gang leaders in El Salvador then institute what MS-13 has been calling “The Program”, or “La Programma,” in which they direct the American MS-13 cliques to become more violent to control territory. They are attempting to accomplish this goal not only by killing rivals, but also by extorting legitimate businesses run by legal Central American immigrants and illegal businesses such as prostitution and gambling. The leaders demand that the local, U.S.-based MS-13 clique send a portion of the resultant profits to the leadership in El Salvador to enrich the gang and expand its activities.
- The United States cannot defeat MS-13 alone: this is a transnational criminal group, and the solution accordingly must also be transnational. In recognition of the critical role these international relationships play in attacking MS-13, one of Attorney General Sessions’ first Ministerials has been with the Attorneys General of the Northern Triangle. As a result of that Ministerial, the four Attorneys General of the United States, El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras have jointly pledged to target MS-13.

Sarah Isgur Flores
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Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:51 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: ICYMI: Attorney General's USA Today Op-Ed - 'Avoid harmful federal intrusion'

Received and in the system.

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:45 AM
To: Ian Prior (OPA)
Subject: ICYMI: Attorney General's USA Today Op Ed 'Avoid harmful federal intrusion'

Jeff Sessions: 'Avoid harmful federal intrusion'

USA Today

Op-Ed

Jeff Sessions

April 17, 2017 6:02 PM

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2017/04/17/jeff-sessions-avoid-harmful-federal-intrusion-editorials-debates/100579848/>

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Violent crime is surging in American cities. To combat this wave of violence and protect our communities, we need proactive policing. Yet in some cities, such policing is diminishing with predictably dire results.

In Chicago, arrests have fallen 36% since 2014 to the lowest level in at least 16 years. Last year, they fell in every major crime category, and they fell in every single district in the city. To put that in perspective, out of more than 500 non-fatal shootings in early 2016, only seven resulted in any sort of arrest. That's 1%. Not surprisingly, as arrest rates plummeted in those years, the murder rate nearly doubled. Meanwhile in Baltimore, while arrests have fallen 45% in the past two years, homicides have risen 78%, and shootings have more than doubled.

Yet amid this plague of violence, too much focus has been placed on a small number of police who are bad actors rather than on criminals. And too many people believe the solution is to impose consent decrees that discourage the proactive policing that keeps our cities safe.

The Department of Justice agrees with the need to rebuild public confidence in law enforcement through common-sense reforms, such as de-escalation training, and we will punish any police conduct that violates civil rights. But such reforms must promote public safety and avoid harmful federal intrusion in the daily work of local police.

When proactive policing declines and violent crime rises, minority communities get hit the hardest. We will not sign consent decrees for political expediency that will cost more lives by handcuffing the police instead of the criminals. Every neighborhood needs to be safe and peaceful.

Our first priority must be to save lives, restore public safety, and bring back the community policing that we know works. To help achieve those goals, the department, with the help of our federal, state and local law enforcement partners, will focus our efforts on thwarting violent crime, drug trafficking, and gun crime and gang violence. If combating violent crime and restoring public safety are seen as dramatic reversals, then I fully support such a sea change.

Jeff Sessions is the attorney general of the United States.

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:39 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); imason@breitbart.com
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Tomorrow's Q+A

Ian, this is embargoed until 9:30

Statement by Attorney General Jeff Sessions

Meeting of the Attorney General's Organized Crime Council and OCDETF Executive Committee

April 18, 2017

I want to thank the Organized Crime Council for convening today as they have done since 1970. We represent law enforcement from across the government: FBI, DEA, ATF, US Marshals Service, DEA, Secret Service, US Immigration and Customs Enforcement, US Coast Guard, IRS, Labor Department, State Department, US Postal Service, and the director of our Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. This is the federal team, but we all know well that we have essential partners and leaders in our state and local offices. This can only be done together.

In February, President Trump issued an executive order to us to interdict and dismantle transnational criminal organizations, and today we'll be proposing concrete ideas to follow through on President Trump's directive.

So let me state this clearly. Under President Trump, the Justice Department has ZERO tolerance for gang violence. Transnational criminal organizations like MS-13 represent one of the gravest threats to American safety. These organizations enrich themselves by pedaling poison in our communities, trafficking children for sexual exploitation, and inflicting horrific violence in the communities where they operate.

MS-13 has become a symbol of this plague that has spread across our country and into our

communities. There are over 30,000 members abroad with their headquarters in the El Salvadoran prison system. According to the National Gang Intelligence Center, MS-13 now has more than 10,000 members in at least 40 states in this country up significantly from just a few years ago.

Because of an open border and years of lax immigration enforcement, MS-13 has been sending both recruiters and members to regenerate gangs that previously had been decimated, and smuggling members across the border as unaccompanied minors. They are not content to simply ruin the lives of adults MS-13 recruits in our high schools, our middle schools, and even our elementary schools.

Just a few days ago, law enforcement believes that members of MS-13 murdered 4 young men and dumped their bodies in a park on Long Island. Last month, it was two teenage girls in Los Angeles who were killed with machetes and baseball bats. A few weeks ago, the FBI added an MS-13 member to their Ten Most Wanted Fugitives List for a suspected brutal murder with a baseball bat and screwdriver all purportedly to earn his MS-13 tattoo. Violence is an initiation rite. They've killed mothers alongside their children and vice versa. They have gang raped and trafficked girls as young as 12 years old.

We cannot allow this to continue. We will secure our border, expand immigration enforcement, and choke-off supply lines. If you are a gang member: We will find you. We will devastate your networks. We will starve your revenue sources, deplete your ranks, and seize your profits. We will not concede a single block or street corner to your vicious tactics.

We recognize this will not be easy. But the organizations here worked together to take down the Mafia and the Colombian cartels. We can do it again. It will require a commitment from not only all federal, state, and local law enforcement, but from everyday Americans who refuse to allow the current gang violence to be the status quo any longer.

Let me add: Sanctuary cities do nothing more than undermine this process. Harboring criminal aliens only helps violent gangs like MS13. Sanctuary Cities are aiding these cartels to refill their ranks and putting innocent life including the lives of countless law-abiding immigrants in danger.

Today is just the beginning. There will be much more in the coming weeks and months as we seek to eradicate these transnational criminal organizations. Under the Trump Administration and this Department of Justice, there will be no safe quarter for gangs and those that support them.

Thank you again for being here. I'm happy to take a couple questions from the media and then we will get started.

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 8:57 PM
To: imason@breitbart.com
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) <ian.prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Tomorrow's Q+A

Adding ian but you should be fine

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
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From: imason@breitbart.com [mailto:imason@breitbart.com]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 7:39 PM
To: Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov
Subject: FW: Tomorrow's Q+A

Hey Sarah,

I just wanted to check with you about tomorrow. Anything I should do to get into tomorrow's Q+A?

Thanks,
Ian Mason
DOJ/Courts Reporter, Breitbart News

-----Original Message-----

From: "imason@breitbart.com" <imason@breitbart.com>
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 6:37pm
To: press@usdoj.gov
Subject: Tomorrow's Q+A

DOJ Press,

What is necessary to get credentials for tomorrow's remarks?

Thanks so much,

Ian Mason
DOJ/Courts Reporter, Breitbart News

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Subject: ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS TO MEET WITH ORGANIZED CRIME COUNCIL AND ORGANIZED CRIME
DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



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ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS TO MEET WITH ORGANIZED CRIME COUNCIL AND ORGANIZED CRIME DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON – Attorney General Jeff Sessions will hold a meeting tomorrow, **TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017**, of the Attorney General's Organized Crime Council and Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) Executive Committee to discuss implementation of the President's Executive Order 13773.

WHO: Attorney General Jeff Sessions;
FBI Director James Comey;
Acting Deputy Attorney General Dana J. Boente;
Criminal Division Acting Assistant Attorney General Kenneth A. Blanco;
ATF Acting Director Thomas Brandon;
U.S. Secret Service Acting Director William Callahan;
U.S. Postal Service Inspection Service Chief Postal Inspector Guy Cottrell;
U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service Deputy Assistant Secretary John Eustace;
U.S. Marshals Service Acting Director David Harlow;
Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Homeland Security Investigations Acting Director Thomas Homan;
OCDETF Director Bruce Ohr;
DEA Acting Administrator Chuck Rosenberg;
Department of Labor Deputy Inspector General Larry Turner;
IRS-Criminal Investigation Division Chief Richard Weber;
Executive Office of U.S. Attorneys Director Monty Wilkinson; and
U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Paul Zukunft.

WHAT: Meeting to propose concrete ideas that will strengthen investigations and prosecutions of members of transnational criminal organizations. Attorney General Sessions will make a statement to open the meeting and hold a brief Q&A session at the top.

WHEN: 9:30 a.m. EDT

WHERE: Department of Justice
7th Floor Conference Room
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20530

OPEN PRESS FOR REMARKS AND Q&A AT THE TOP

(Camera Preset by for K9 Sweep: 8:45 a.m. EDT // Final Access: 9:10 a.m. EDT)

NOTE: All media must present government-issued photo I.D. (such as driver's license) as well as valid media credentials. Space is limited and not guaranteed. Media must enter the department at the visitor's entrance on Constitution Avenue, NW between 9th and 10th Streets. Press inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to the Office of Public Affairs at press@usdoj.gov.

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Llorente, Elizabeth

From: Llorente, Elizabeth
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 7:51 PM
To: lan.prior@usdoj.gov
Subject: Questions for story re new immigration guidelines

Hi,

I'm working on a story to be posted tomorrow on FoxNews.com about key changes that the DOJ's new guidelines on immigration enforcement are expected to bring. I'd like to discuss those changes over a phone interview. Are you the right person at the DOJ to interview on this subject?

Thanks,

Liz Llorente

Senior Reporter

Fox News

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Winner, Ted

From: Winner, Ted
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 3:34 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Fox inquiry - time sensitive

Thank you Ian

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 3:26 PM
To: Winner, Ted; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Fox inquiry time sensitive

On background, this is scheduled for a bench trial on June 26, 2017

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
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From: Winner, Ted [mailto:ted.winner@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 1:08 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fox inquiry - time sensitive

Hi Ian

Hope you had a nice holiday weekend. I'm writing to seek a comment/statement on the story that is being reported about the DOJ's lawsuit against Maricopa County Sheriff, Joe Arpaio. Where does the case stand today? Will it be dropped by AG Sessions? Any update on where things stand and what is being considered at this time would be greatly appreciated. My # as well (b)(6).

Best

Ted Winner
Fox News

<http://www.breitbart.com/big-government/2017/04/16/deep-state-doj-disqualified-judge-seek-jail-time-sheriff-joe-arpaio/>

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 2:03 PM
To: Winner, Ted; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Fox inquiry - time sensitive

Hey Ted,

We'll decline comment, thanks.

Off the record, I don't know much about where that stands. Will try and find out more, but I do know that we wouldn't comment on that regardless

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From: Winner, Ted [mailto:ted.winner@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 1:08 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fox inquiry - time sensitive

Duplicative Material

Coviello, Brianna

From: Coviello, Brianna
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 1:22 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Bryant, Errical (OAG)
Subject: RE: Call with Bill Shine

That would be great, thanks!

Very nice to e-meet you Errical. Please let me know when we can confirm.

-Brianna

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 1:13 PM
To: Coviello, Brianna <brianna.coviello@FOXNEWS.COM>; Bryant, Errical (OAG) <Errical.Bryant@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Call with Bill Shine

I'm adding Errical who handles his schedule. Hopefully we can make Wednesday at 230 work!

S

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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From: Coviello, Brianna [mailto:brianna.coviello@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 11:32 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Call with Bill Shine

Hi Sarah,

Thank you for your note. Below are some possible times for the call with Bill & Mr. Sessions this week.

Tuesday, 04/18: 11am, 11:30am, 2pm, 2:30pm
Wednesday, 04/19: 2pm, 2:30pm
Thursday, 04/20: 11:30am, 1pm, 1:30pm

Please let me know if any of the above are options for the Attorney General.

Thank you!
Brianna

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 11:36 AM
To: Coviello, Brianna <brianna.coviello@FOXNEWS.COM>

Subject: Call with Bill Shine

Let me know about times on Monday and Tuesday that could work.

Thanks!

S

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Kerry Picket

From: Kerry Picket
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Sit down interview / Sessions

I'd like to connect on this in the near future. So, I'll be following up on this.

On Fri, Apr 14, 2017 at 11:17 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:
At this point, we probably won't have time next week. We have not done any print interviews at this point.
Sorry!

S

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kerry Picket [mailto:kerry@dailycaller.com]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 7:33 AM
To: Sarah Isgur Flores <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Sit down interview / Sessions

Sarah,
I'm writing to find out the availability of AG Sessions for an interview next week?

If he can't do a sit down could he do a phoner at least?

I've covered him consistently on the hill since 2009 and want to talk with him about his tour of the border.

Please let me know.

Thanks,

Kerry Picket
Reporter
The Daily Caller
www.dailycaller.com

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Kerry Picket

Reporter

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THE DAILY CALLER

Limbaugh, Christen

From: Limbaugh, Christen
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 11:12 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Radio booker

Any time!

Christen Limbaugh
"Hannity" • Fox News Channel
1211 Avenue of the Americas • New York, NY 10036
(W (b)(6) • christen.limbaugh@foxnews.com)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 11:09 AM
To: Limbaugh, Christen
Subject: RE: Radio booker

Wow youre fast! Thank you!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
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From: Limbaugh, Christen [mailto:christen.limbaugh@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 11:08 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Radio booker

Hi Sarah,

Lynda McLaughlin is his executive producer and does the majority of booking. Her email is below. Let me know if I can help with anything else!

Lynda@hannity.com

Thanks!

Christen

Christen Limbaugh
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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 11:07 AM
To: Limbaugh, Christen

Subject: Radio booker

Who is the best contact these days for Sean's radio show booker?

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 10:50 AM
To: Gomez, Serafin
Subject: Bill Shine?

Would it be possible for me to get his email address or a phone number for his assistant to arrange a call?

Thanks!

S

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

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Chakraborty, Barnini

From: Chakraborty, Barnini
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 8:57 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Story fix and question

No problem. And thank you.

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 8:56 AM
To: Chakraborty, Barnini
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: Story fix and question

I did, thank you very much for that.

On the Arpaio question we will decline to comment.

Thanks again

Ian D. Prior
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On Apr 14, 2017, at 8:51 AM, Chakraborty, Barnini <Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi Ian,

I hope you saw the updated Fox story where we updated all copy with the quote you provided about Sessions expressing his continued commitment to white collar crime.

Additionally, the bosses at Fox wanted me to reach out and see if your office had a comment on "Sheriff Joe" Arpaio asking Sessions to testify at his contempt trial. Does the DOJ have a comment? The sheriff is making himself available to media outlets but I want to check with you first.

Many thanks,

Barnini Chakraborty

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Fanning, Elizabeth

From: Fanning, Elizabeth
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 9:08 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: a thought for tucker

Thanks for checking!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 13, 2017, at 20:47, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

So we're going to have to decline on this one. Because it is at the arrest stage (as opposed to a conviction) our attorneys are generally unwilling to talk about cases as that has the potential to influence outcome.

Thanks for thinking of us though.

Ian D. Prior
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On Apr 13, 2017, at 8:01 PM, Fanning, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 13, 2017, at 20:01, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Let me check on that

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On Apr 13, 2017, at 7:59 PM, Fanning, Elizabeth
<Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Tucker was hoping to get him on to talk about the horrible female mutilation story out of Detroit.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 13, 2017, at 19:57, Prior, Ian (OPA)
<lan.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

I mean technically that would be Peter Carr,
but he is out. What's up?

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Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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Cel (b)(6)

On Apr 13, 2017, at 7:53 PM, Fanning,
Elizabeth
<Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hey! Do you handle requests for
Assistant AG Blanco?
Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2017, at 10:14, Prior,
Ian (OPA) <lan.Prior@usdoj.gov>
wrote:

Hey Elizabeth,

Hope you had a good
weekend. I am
attaching the Baltimore
Consent Decree the
cheat sheet. The cheat
sheet is strictly off the
record and for guidance
on what is in the
mammoth consent
decree.

Also, let's chat a little
tomorrow am as we
have a big border trip
happening tomorrow

with some new
immigration related
initiatives that would be
really good for
tomorrow night if
Tucker is interested.

Thanks!

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy
Director of Public
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Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Fanning,
Elizabeth
[mailto:Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Friday, April 7,
2017 5:43 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur
(OPA)
<Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
<Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: a thought
for tucker

Hey! Can you give me a
ca (b)(6)
when you get a second.
Thanks!

From: Flores, Sarah
Isgur (OPA)
[mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 07,
2017 12:17 PM
To: Fanning, Elizabeth
<Elizabeth.Fanning@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
<Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: a thought for
tucker

Any chance I can talk to
Tucker's EP at some

point this afternoon or
this weekend? Wanted
to just talk through
some issues we have on
our plate these days!
Some timely but
nothing urgent.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public
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17.pdf>

#8: Incorporates the entire August 2016 report as a vague compliance standard

#15-16: Requires “community-oriented” policing which is not defined and, as commonly understood, may not be an effective approach

#16a: Singles out several groups, including LGBT, even though they were not a focus of the Findings

#16g: Requires “cultural awareness and sensitivity training” without defining

#16h: Requires training on “perceived bias or discrimination” without defining

#19d: Requires a Youth Explorer Program, which may be a good idea but is not something that DOJ should be monitoring in a consent decree

#23: Makes compliance with the consent decree subject to the outcome of public opinion polling, including polling from “other cities”

#36: Completely bars officers from considering person’s failure to stop, answer questions, or walk away as even part of reasonable suspicion for a stop, arrest, or search

#40: Bans “boilerplate language” in documentation of reason for an Investigatory Stop

#41: Requires documentation of race, ethnicity, gender, age for every stop, without specifying what to do if this is not easily ascertainable and without insulating officers from accusations that might flow from miscategorization. No consideration of whether it is appropriate or constitutional for police to be making such judgments

#42: Requires every person stopped by an officer receive a “record of the encounter” in the form of a carbon copy ticket or something similar

#43b: Bans stops for which the justification is “loitering or misdemeanor trespass” absent “call for service” i.e., bans officers from lawfully arresting for crimes on the books of Baltimore

#43c: bans use “conclusory language” in documentation of investigatory stops, without defining

#43h: requires documentation of request to move someone to a different location for questioning

#46: bans use of “boilerplate language” in describing vehicle stops, without defining; requires that description “vary with complexity of the stop”

#46e: requires inclusion of “apparent Demographic Category” for every vehicle stop

#50: Requires less intrusive means than strip search “wherever possible” and opportunity to voluntarily produce item. Is this a 4A requirement? What if evidence might spoliage?

#52: Requires warrant for body cavity search. Is this 4A requirement?

#53: Permits LGBT individuals, and only such individuals, to choose sex of officer who searches them, and provides no method for determining who is LGBT.

#55: Bans consent searches “absent the officer having an individualized reason to conduct a search,” which is not required by 4A

#56 Bans BPD from relying on verbal consent to a search

#61: Requires officers to get permission from supervisor before arresting for resisting an officer, disorderly conduct, failure to obey officer, gambling, making a false statement to an officer, or trespass

#62: Bans broken windows / quality of life policing

#61-63 Inserts DOJ into second-guessing arrests by BDP for various crimes, including making a false statement to a BPD officer

#64 Allows for officer discipline based solely on deficiencies in reports otherwise required under the consent decree

#67g Requires training on “community perceptions of police legitimacy and public safety”

#69-79: Requires 6 different reports for all Investigatory Stops, Searches, and Arrests

- Initial report from officer
- Supervising officer review within 72 hours
- Audits of supervisory reports within 7 days
- Review of District Court Commissioner data
- Searchable electronic record of all arrests, with quarterly review for patterns

#81: Allows for officer discipline based solely on deficiencies in the reports listed above

#82: Requires search for demographic disparities in Stop, Search, Arrest data, without concomitant review of disparities in crime rates

#82-85 Reinforces additional documentation requirements and commitment to “disparate impact” theory of policing

#88 Relies on an overly broad definition of “Demographic Category” which is not necessarily related to the actions listed

#89 Is inconsistent with #88 (officers have to document the Demographic Category but are then precluded from considering it)

#92: Requires training based on “implicit bias” and “discriminatory policing,” both of which are defined very broadly, lack empirical foundations, and are subject of debate in policing communities

#94 Requires training from the community and community-based organizations with no evidence that such training will actually help the BDP keep the public safe

#160 Prohibits BDP officers from “exhibiting” a firearm without defining that term and leaves it to later, unspecified guidance

#176: bans use of “boilerplate language” in use of force reports, without defining (and examples given are not necessarily boilerplate)

#188 Requires a BDP supervisor to conduct a review of level 2 uses of force upon arrival at the scene without accounting for any other contextual variables, including any ongoing criminal activity

#254: Requires a supervisor to be present to approve arrests (and, thus, also requires DOJ to essentially review the arrest as well) related to filming officers or dispersing a public protest without explaining why onsite presence is necessary

#273: inserts DOJ into managing the BPD’s budget

#278: inserts DOJ into deciding whether BPD law enforcement technology should be public

#283-287: Onerous requirements to change BPD policies and inserts the Court, the Monitor, and DOJ into overseeing all policies of BPD

#297: Requires training from some groups (the community and community-based organizations) with no evidence that such training will actually help the BDP keep the public safe

#336e: Prohibits language on the complaint intake form notifying the complainant of the criminal consequences of filing a false complaint; no justification for the prohibition which tacitly encourages filing false complaints

#349: Inserts DOJ into micromanaging internal BPD misconduct investigations. Prohibiting the closure of a case when the complainant withdraws the complaint is unjustified.

#402: Requires multiple quarterly reports on misconduct investigations broken down by, among other things, allegations of “rudeness” by the BPD.

#406 Requires establishing a testing process for a civilian complaint intake system with no justification as to why the testing process has to be part of the consent decree.

#421: Requires a recruitment plan for the BPD that includes targeted outreach at those who are oriented toward community policing

#422-423: Requires review of the BPD’s hiring plan to assess disparate impact based on the broad definition of Demographic Categories.

#442-444: Requires a detailed monitor selection process but also allows the Monitor to have a team of (an unspecified number of) individuals with “expertise in policing, civil rights, monitoring, data analysis, project management, and related areas, as well as local experience and expertise with the diverse communities of Baltimore”

#445-453: Sets up a budget for the Monitor of up to \$1,475,000 annually though the Court can increase that at the Monitor's request; overall scheme creates a perverse financial incentive for the Monitor to extend his oversight for as long as possible

#459viii: Requires the Monitor to conduct an Annual Survey on community satisfaction with the BPD, including based on interactions with Hispanic Americans (who are otherwise not mentioned anywhere in the consent decree)

#511z, cc, ss: Establishes definitions of "Demographic Category," "Discriminatory Policing," and "Implicit Bias" that are very broad and, read together, allow for a disparate impact theory of police discrimination based solely on subconscious cognition

511oo, pp: Establishes definitions of "gender identity" and "gender expression," which if acceded to, could create tension with recent litigation positions and the withdrawal of related guidance, as well as with pending litigation

511bbb: Establishes a definition of "micro-community policing" whose efficacy is arguable and which is actually internally inconsistent with other prohibitions in the consent decree related to disparate impact that would otherwise direct BPD to target certain areas based on the crime rate

Appendix A: Establishes a lot of training requirements, including many of undefined length or extent, with no support that all of them are necessary or that these requirements will not hurt policing by continually pulling officers from the field for training

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE
CITY, et. al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

CONSENT DECREE

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 1:33 PM
To: Conti, Andrew
Subject: Consent decree issues
Attachments: Baltimore consent decree points.docx; bpd_decree_1-12-17.pdf

Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Interview Request/thank you

Ian Thank you very much for the consideration, and coming back to me. Let's consider reconnecting on the timing and possibilities after the break/early May.

Catherine

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 6:16 PM
To: Herridge, Catherine
Subject: Interview Request

Hi Catherine,

Just wanted to follow up on yesterday's email that is certainly something we would be open to doing at some point. We're still sorting through some things on interviews and timing so I can't promise anything concrete right now, but we will discuss with him and be in touch.

In the meantime, if you need anything from us don't hesitate to call.

Thanks

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

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Lauer, Tim

From: Lauer, Tim
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 1:31 PM
To: Creighton, Kelly M (OPA); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine
Attachments: SecureMessageAtt.html



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Lauer, Tim

From: Lauer, Tim
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 9:27 AM
To: Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Judge Jeanine

Working on it now. Thanks

Tim Lauer
Producer, Fox News
(b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 13, 2017, at 9:22 AM, Creighton, Kelly M (OPA) <Kelly.M.Creighton@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Tim

I'll need the below listed info preferably by 2pm today to give enough time for building clearance. This info is required for all non-DOJ staff who need access to the building.

Thank you!

Full legal name
SSN
DOB
City/state of birth

KC

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [<mailto:siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 9:01 AM
To: Lauer, Tim <Tim.Lauer@FOXNEWS.COM>
Cc: Creighton, Kelly M (OPA) <Kelly.M.Creighton@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

We have 230 reserved. There's a good space on our 7th floor for press conferences etc that we usually use for hits.

Kelly cc'ed here will need info on the crew for security. Thanks!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
(b)(6)

From: Lauer, Tim [<mailto:Tim.Lauer@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 10:33 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Judge Jeanine

Hi Sarah- Judge Jeanine would like to travel down Friday to interview the AG and we can send a crew whenever you prefer. Would you please let me know what timing works best for you and the AG and I will request crewing.

Thanks so much

Tim Lauer
Producer, Fox News

(b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2017, at 2:14 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Yes we'd like to make it work. But I need a time window that I can give his scheduler so we can make sure that we can move stuff around before I can commit. I assume yall would be able to send a crew over here?

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Lauer, Tim [<mailto:Tim.Lauer@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 1:40 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Judge Jeanine

Hi Sarah,
Judge is telling me she spoke with the AG and he offered to pretape this Friday. Wanted to touch base to confirm and talk logistics?

Thanks,
Tim

Tim Lauer | Associate Producer
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Justice with Judge Jeanine
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Lauer, Tim

From: Lauer, Tim
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 2:27 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

OK I just spoke with her- she's seeing if she can make it down to DC to do this otherwise we would do remote. I'll let you know ASAP what she figures out.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 2:14 PM
To: Lauer, Tim
Subject: RE: Judge Jeanine

Duplicative Material

Singman, Brooke

From: Singman, Brooke
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 11:01 AM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: RE: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PRESS GUIDANCE FOR APRIL 13, 2017

Hi Peter,

Can I have a heads up on what's coming today on National Security Division front?

Thanks,
Brooke Singman
Reporter, Fox News Channel
(b)(6)
Brooke.singman@foxnews.com

From: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO) [mailto:USDOJ-Office.of.Public.Affairs@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:55 AM
To: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO) <USDOJ-Office.of.Public.Affairs@usdoj.gov>
Subject: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PRESS GUIDANCE FOR APRIL 13, 2017



Department of Justice

PRESS GUIDANCE
Thursday, April 13, 2017

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ATTORNEY GENERAL

There are no scheduled public events.

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PRESS RELEASES

The Antitrust Division will issue one press release today. (Abueg)

The Criminal Division will issue four press releases today. (Navas)

The National Security Division will issue one press release today. (Abueg)

The Tax Division will issue three press releases today. (Navas)

EVENTS/HEARINGS

There are no scheduled public events.

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:21 AM
To: Murray, Andrew
Subject: RE: Rod Wheeler

Thank you!!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs
(b)(6)

-----Original Message-----

From: Murray, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:09 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Rod Wheeler

Here is his contact information.

Rod Wheeler CEL (b)(6) email (b)(6)

Andrew

-----Original Message-----

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:01 AM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Rod Wheeler

Was a guest this morning on f&f talking Baltimore consent decrees. Do you have contact info for him?
Would love to reach out if you think he'll be a regular guest for y'all.

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Murray, Andrew

From: Murray, Andrew
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:06 AM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Rod Wheeler

Yes, he is a FNC Contributor...Rod Wheeler, former DC Police Detective, great guy, and yes he is a regular for the entire network. We would love to also have the Attorney General appear on the program for an interview next week if we can work it out with his schedule.

Andrew

-----Original Message-----

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailto:Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:01 AM
To: Murray, Andrew <Andrew.Murray@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Rod Wheeler

Duplicative Material

Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 9:46 AM
To: Chakraborty, Barnini; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Nope just that. Thanks for your help!

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Chakraborty, Barnini [mailto:Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 9:46 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

I apologize. I did not see that. I will add it in and republish. Is there anything else you'd like to add after seeing the story?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2017, at 9:22 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

I followed up with the quote below re: whether priorities were shifting, which is not in there.

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Chakraborty, Barnini [<mailto:Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 9:20 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Your quote was added. What do you mean?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2017, at 7:04 AM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hey disappointed to not see this quote in your story.

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911

Cel (b)(6)

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Date: April 7, 2017 at 4:47:19 PM EDT
To: "Chakraborty, Barnini" <Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM>, "Prior, Ian (OPA)" <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

You can use this too: "The Attorney General has emphasized his commitment to prosecuting fraud and corruption, and that commitment will not be diminished by an enhanced focus on targeting violent criminals."

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Chakraborty, Barnini [<mailto:Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Thank you. But to confirm, how will this revised focus on violent crimes affect the white collar crime division? Will cuts to go after white collar criminals be on the back burner?

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 3:05 PM
To: Chakraborty, Barnini; Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

"Combatting violent crime and restoring public safety are top priorities of the Department of Justice under Attorney General Sessions. To help achieve those goals, the Department, with the help of our critical federal, state, and local law enforcement partners, will be focusing much of its efforts on thwarting violent crime, drug trafficking, gun crime and gang violence, and criminal immigration enforcement."

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Chakraborty, Barnini [<mailto:Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2017 2:51 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>

Subject: RE: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Hey there. Thank you for the very quick response. Does Sunday by 5 p.m. work for you? The story is going up very early Monday morning.

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [<mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 2:47 PM
To: Chakraborty, Barnini
Subject: FW: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Barnini,

What is your deadline?

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2017 2:35 PM
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) <siflores@jmd.usdoj.gov>; Prior, Ian (OPA) <IPrior@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Called, doing a story about whether DOJ shifting away from focus on white collar crimes to focus on violent crime, immigration, and drugs. Ref: memo from yesterday.

Asking if DOJ wants to comment for the story.

Barnini Chakrabort (b)(6)
Barnini.chakraborty@foxnews.com

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Chakraborty, Barnini

From: Chakraborty, Barnini
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 4:09 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Got it. Thanks again Ian. Have a good weekend.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 7, 2017, at 3:57 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Don't have anything to add on the record re this right now. I'd refer you back to the AG's memo on March 8, 2017 when he indicated that further guidance on charging for all criminal cases will be forthcoming. <https://www.justice.gov/opa/press-release/file/946771/download>

Thanks

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

From: Chakraborty, Barnini [<mailto:Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM>]
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) <Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Duplicative Material

Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2017 2:52 PM
To: Chakraborty, Barnini
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: Re: FOX story on DOJ shift in focus

Yep. Thanks

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
Office: 202.616.0911
Cel (b)(6)

On Apr 6, 2017, at 2:51 PM, Chakraborty, Barnini <Barnini.Chakraborty@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Duplicative Material



Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 6:44 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA); sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov
Cc: nicole.navas@usdoj.gov; Herridge, Catherine
Subject: Fox News Query

Hi Ian and Sarah,

Thank you for sending the embargoed copy of the Attorney General's Arizona announcement. It goes along to helping us digest the material before the event.

I worked on a regular basis with then Senator Sessions on terrorism related issues. I am respectfully requesting a sit down interview with the Attorney General to explore the Trump administration's strategy for combatting terrorism, and its approach to interrogations.

Taking the liberty of including my recent profile with Secretary Kelly on border issues. This report with the AG would take a similar approach, and also air on Special Report with Bret Baier.

<http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2017/02/02/dhs-secretary-border-wall-should-be-finished-in-two-years.html>

Thank you for the consideration. Happy to do a quick call to further discuss.

Catherine V. Herridge
Chief Intelligence Correspondent
Fox News Channel

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Nestande, Francesca

From: Nestande, Francesca
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 6:10 PM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: Re: 4-11 Jeff Sessions 1700-1830

Thank you for your help today!

Francesca Nestande

(b)(6)

On Apr 11, 2017, at 3:58 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Great, thx.

On Apr 11, 2017, at 12:57 PM, Nestande, Francesca <Francesca.Nestande@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Probably around 6min

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [<mailto:Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 3:49 PM
To: Nestande, Francesca <Francesca.Nestande@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: Re: 4-11 Jeff Sessions 1700-1830

How long will the interview be?

On Apr 11, 2017, at 12:06 PM, Nestande, Francesca <Francesca.Nestande@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

I don't have an email for Tim but he may ask for this

From: jeff.gaumond@foxnews.com [<mailto:jeff.gaumond@foxnews.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 12:54 PM
To: Nestande, Francesca <Francesca.Nestande@FOXNEWS.COM>
Subject: 4-11 Jeff Sessions 1700-1830

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confirmed

Jeff

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 3:11 PM
To: Nestande, Francesca
Subject: Re: 4-11 Jeff Sessions 1700-1830

Got it.

On Apr 11, 2017, at 12:06 PM, Nestande, Francesca <Francesca.Nestande@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Duplicative Material



Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 1:44 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: Hey Andrew

We are good on info. Thanks!

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 1:43 PM
To: Conti, Andrew
Subject: Hey Andrew

Just want to make sure you got everything re: the AG at the border re: criminal immigration announcement.

Let me know if you want anything from us we'd love to help

Ian D. Prior
Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs
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To: Nestande, Francesca
Subject: Re: AG Sessions tomorrow

Thank you for all your help.

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Excellent thanks, Peter!

Francesca Nestande

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Doing that right now but won't be a problem.

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Francesca Nestande

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Excellent thanks! Should have the crews info in the morning and I'll connect you with them.

Francesca Nestande

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Nogales, Arizona

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Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

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Office of the Attorney General
Washington, D. C. 20530

April 11, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL FEDERAL PROSECUTORS

FROM: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffery B. Sessions", is positioned to the right of the "FROM:" line.

SUBJECT: Renewed Commitment to Criminal Immigration Enforcement

Charging Practices

It is a high priority of the Department of Justice to establish lawfulness in our immigration system. While dramatic progress has been made at the border in recent months, much remains to be done. It is critical that our work focus on criminal cases that will further reduce illegality. Consistent and vigorous enforcement of key laws will disrupt organizations and deter unlawful conduct. I ask that you increase your efforts in this area making the following immigration offenses higher priorities. Further guidance and support of executing this priority—including an updated memorandum on charging for all criminal cases—will be forthcoming.

8 U.S.C. §1324 (“[b]ringing in and harboring certain aliens”) and related offenses: Each District shall consider for prosecution any case involving the unlawful transportation or harboring of aliens, or any other conduct proscribed pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1324. If a determination must be made regarding use of finite resources, a priority should be given to those who are bringing in three or more aliens into the United States and those who are transporting or harboring three or more aliens, as well as offenses where there are aggravating circumstances, such as those involving serious bodily injury, physical or sexual assault, or the death of any person. Priority should also be given to prosecuting any offenses under section 1327 (“aiding or assisting criminal aliens to enter”) and section 1328 (“importation of aliens for immoral purposes”).

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Regarding misdemeanor violations of 8 U.S.C. § 1325, I ask that each U.S. Attorney’s Office on the Southwest Border (i.e., District of Arizona, District of New Mexico, Southern

District of California, Southern District of Texas, and Western District of Texas) work with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and any other appropriate agency to develop a set of guidelines for prosecuting such violations. These guidelines should aim to accomplish the goal of deterring first-time improper entrants. Each District should submit its guidelines to the Office of the Deputy Attorney General by April 24, 2017.

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18 U.S.C. § 1028A (“[a]ggravated identity theft”) & 18 U.S.C. § 1546 (“[f]raud and misuse of visas, permits, and other documents”): Each District shall consider, to the extent practicable, prosecution of both aggravated identity theft under Section 1028A and document fraud under Section 1546 in relation to the immigration offenses listed above.

18 U.S.C. § 111 (“[a]ssaulting, resisting, or impeding” officers): Each District shall consider, to the extent practicable, prosecution of assault, resisting, or impeding officers under Section 111, while they are engaging in the performance of their official duties in the administrative and criminal immigration context. More information on this will follow.

Sentencing Practices

At the sentencing phase of each federal case, prosecutors should seek, to the extent practicable, judicial orders of removal and a term of supervised release that is consistent with the factors set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a). I know many of you are already seeking these measures from District Courts, and I ask that you continue this effort to achieve the results consistent with this guidance.

Border Security Coordinators

In furtherance of these objectives, I also direct every District to designate a Border Security Coordinator (“Coordinator”) by close of business on April 18, 2017. These Coordinators will be responsible for:

- overseeing the investigation and prosecution of the offenses listed above;
- attending training programs with other Coordinators regarding these offenses;
- providing legal advice and training to AUSAs regarding these offenses; and
- maintaining and routinely reporting prosecution statistics related to these offenses.

Each Coordinator will be responsible for convening meetings with representatives from the Department of Homeland Security—including Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and United States

Citizenship and Immigration Services as well as other law enforcement partners deemed necessary to accomplish this criminal immigration enforcement effort. The Coordinator will work with this group to (1) coordinate specific immigration enforcement initiatives, emphasizing those initiatives that will have the greatest impact on public safety; (2) initiate training programs; and (3) facilitate information sharing.

Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 10:57 AM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA)
Subject: RE: ***EMBARGOED UNTIL 1:00 P.M.*** - Attorney General Jeff Sessions Announces the Department of Justice's Renewed Commitment to Criminal Immigration Enforcement

Thank you Ian.

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailto:Ian.Prior@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 10:57 AM
To: Herridge, Catherine; Carr, Peter (OPA); Navas, Nicole (OPA)
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Carr, Peter (OPA)

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To: Nestande, Francesca
Subject: Re: Hannity Crew Info

Talked with Tim. Thank you.

On Apr 11, 2017, at 9:34 AM, Nestande, Francesca <Francesca.Nestande@FOXNEWS.COM> wrote:

Hi Peter! Below are the names/numbers of the crew we hired for today's interview. Please let me know if any questions. Also I gave them your number so they should be reaching out.

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Great, thank you!

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From: Singman, Brooke [mailto:brooke.singman@FOXNEWS.COM]
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To: Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: ***EMBARGOED UNTIL 10 A.M. MST*** - Attorney General Jeff Sessions Announces the Department of Justice's Renewed Commitment to Criminal Immigration Enforcement

Can you confirm where AG will be delivering these remarks? Will this be at the press conf. at 1p?

Thanks!

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Just to be clear, the embargo lifts at 10am Arizona time, which would be 1pm EDT.

Thank you,
Peter

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
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Below is an embargoed overview and full remarks for the Attorney General's remarks in Nogales this morning. The embargo will lift at 10 a.m. MST. Please note that the Attorney General often varies from his prepared remarks during delivery.

Best,
Peter Carr

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Copy that.

Thank you, Peter.

Brooke

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No he's speaking at the border at 10:00 am AZ time, then he has other remarks at 1:00 pm AZ time.

Below is the 10:00 am piece

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Thanks so much Ian. Just to confirm, you mean 1pm EDT? I had read he was speaking at 1pm Phoenix time.

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Hey Ian,

Wanted to make sure that you got this. Was trying to find your email to send earlier, but now you're on our list. This is embargoed until 1 pm ET

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In his remarks, the Attorney General announced that he has issued the attached memo to United States Attorneys that mandates the prioritization of criminal immigration enforcement. The memo directs

federal prosecutors to focus on particular offenses that, if aggressively charged and prosecuted, can help prevent and deter illegal immigration.

Additionally, the Attorney General revealed that the Department of Justice will add 50 more immigration judges to the bench this year and 75 next year. He also highlighted the Department's plan to streamline its hiring of judges, reflecting the dire need to reduce the backlogs in our immigration courts.

Please find below the full remarks from Attorney General Sessions.

Remarks prepared for Attorney General Jeff Sessions

Meeting with Customs and Border Protection Personnel and Immigration Policy Announcement

Nogales, Arizona

April 11, 2017

Good morning, everyone.

Let me start by thanking the brave men and women of Customs and Border Protection, who not only served as our gracious hosts today, but who put themselves in harm's way each day to secure our borders and protect us.

Here, along our nation's southwest border, is ground zero in this fight. Here, under the Arizona sun, ranchers work the land to make an honest living, and law-abiding citizens seek to provide for their families.

But it is also here, along this border, that transnational gangs like MS-13 and international cartels flood our country with drugs and leave death and violence in their wake. And it is here that criminal aliens and the coyotes and the document-forgers seek to overthrow our system of lawful immigration.

Let's stop here for a minute. When we talk about MS-13 and the cartels, what do we mean? We mean criminal organizations that turn cities and suburbs into warzones, that rape and kill innocent citizens, and who profit by smuggling poison and other human beings across our borders. Depravity and violence are their calling cards, including brutal machete attacks and beheadings.

It is here, on this sliver of land, where we first take our stand against this filth.

In this fight, I am here to tell you, the brave men and women of Customs and Border Protection: we hear you and we have your back. Under the President's leadership and through his Executive Orders, we will secure this border and bring the full weight of both the immigration courts and federal criminal enforcement to combat this attack on our national security and sovereignty.

The President has made this a priority and already we are seeing the results. From January to February of this year, illegal crossings dropped by 40 percent, which was unprecedented. Then, last month, we saw a 72 percent drop compared to the month before the President was inaugurated. That's the lowest monthly figure for at least 17 years.

This is no accident. This is what happens when you have a President who understands the threat, who is not afraid to publically identify the threat and stand up to it, and who makes clear to law enforcement that the leadership of their country finally has their back. Together, we will drastically reduce the danger posed by criminal aliens, gang members, and cartel henchmen.

To that end, the President and I want to do our best to arm you, and the prosecutors who partner with you, with more tools in your fight against criminal aliens. So today, I am pleased to stand here with you and announce new guidance regarding our commitment to criminal immigration enforcement. As we

speaking, I am issuing a document to all federal prosecutors that mandates the prioritization of such enforcement.

Starting today, federal prosecutors are now required to consider for prosecution all of the following offenses:

- The transportation or harboring of aliens. As you know too well, this is a booming business down here. No more. We are going to shut down and jail those who have been profiting off this lawlessness—people smuggling gang members across the border, helping convicted criminals re-enter this country, and preying on those who don't know how dangerous the journey can be.
- Further, where an alien has unlawfully entered the country, which is a misdemeanor, that alien will now be charged with a felony if they unlawfully enter or attempt to enter a second time and certain aggravating circumstances are present.
- Also, aliens that illegally re-enter the country after prior removal will be referred for felony prosecution—and a priority will be given to such offenses, especially where indicators of gang affiliation, a risk to public safety, or criminal history are present.
- Fourth: where possible, prosecutors are directed to charge criminal aliens with document fraud and aggravated identity theft—the latter carrying a two-year mandatory minimum sentence.
- Finally, and perhaps most importantly: I have directed that all 94 U.S. Attorneys' Offices make the prosecution of assault on a federal law enforcement officer—that's all of you—a top priority. If someone dares to assault one of our folks in the line of duty, they will do federal time for it.

To ensure that these priorities are implemented, starting today, each U.S. Attorney's Office, whether on the border or interior, will designate an Assistant United States Attorney as the Border Security Coordinator for their District. It will be this experienced prosecutor's job to coordinate the criminal immigration enforcement response for their respective offices.

For those that continue to seek improper and illegal entry into this country, be forewarned: This is a new era. This is the Trump era. The lawlessness, the abdication of the duty to enforce our immigration laws, and the catch and release practices of old are over.

In that vein, I am also pleased to announce a series of reforms regarding immigration judges to reduce the significant backlogs in our immigration courts.

Pursuant to the President's executive order, we will now be detaining all adults who are apprehended at the border. To support this mission, we have already surged 25 immigration judges to detention centers along the border. I want to thank personally the judges who answered the call to help us with this new initiative.

In addition, we will put 50 more immigration judges on the bench this year and 75 next year. We can no longer afford to wait 18 to 24 months to get these new judges on the bench. So today, I have implemented a new, streamlined hiring plan. It requires just as much vetting as before, but reduces the timeline, reflecting the dire need to reduce the backlogs in our immigration courts.

With the President's Executive Orders on Border Security, Transnational Criminal Organizations, and Public Safety as our guideposts, we will execute a strategy that once again secures the border; apprehends and prosecutes those criminal aliens that threaten our public safety; takes the fight to gangs like MS-13 and Los Zetas; and makes dismantlement and destruction of the cartels a top priority. We will deploy a multifaceted approach in these efforts: we are going to interdict your drugs on the way in,

your money on the way out, and investigate and prosecute your trafficking networks to the fullest extent of the law.

Why are we doing this? Because it is what the duly enacted laws of the United States require. I took an oath to protect this country from all enemies, foreign and domestic. How else can we look the parents and loved ones of Kate Steinle, Grant Ronnebeck, and so many others in eye and say we are doing everything possible to prevent such tragedies from ever occurring again?

Let me finish where I started, by thanking you the brave men and women in uniform who are at the front lines of this fight. I know we ask a tremendous amount from all of you, but know this: WE HAVE YOUR BACK and will do all we can to empower you and support you in your work.

God bless you and thank you.

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