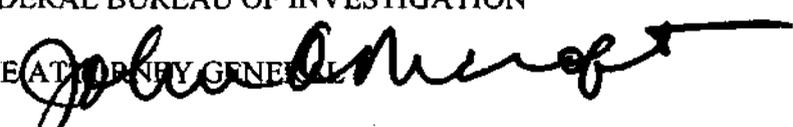




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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT S. MUELLER, III
DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FROM: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 
SUBJECT: Foreign Terrorist Tracking Task Force

The Foreign Terrorist Tracking Task Force (FTTTF) was established by Homeland Security Presidential Directive-2 (HSPD-2) on October 29, 2001, as a premier component of the President's initiative to combat terrorism. Despite substantial funding and logistics challenges, the FTTTF already has achieved significant success in establishing and coordinating programs to deny entry into the United States of aliens associated with, suspected of being engaged in, or supporting terrorist activity.

In order to sustain and build upon this success, the Department of Justice must continue to commit the necessary budget and personnel resources in a timely manner. To enable the FTTTF to continue its current level of operations through the end of the current fiscal year, I am directing the Immigration and Naturalization Service to reallocate \$10 million from its budget for FY 2002 to the FTTTF as soon as possible. I would like the FBI to contribute \$13 million from currently available no-year funds to support the FTTTF FY 2003 funding needs (the Department is working with OMB to identify other non-FBI sources for additional FY 2003 requirements). Please coordinate the allocation of these funds to the FTTTF with the Controller of the Department of Justice.

The FTTTF has been providing vital operational support for the Bureau's counterterrorism mission. In that regard, I commend your plan, as reflected in "Phase II" of the FBI's reorganization, to formally consolidate the FTTTF within the Counterterrorism Division. Please move forward as quickly as possible to formalize this element of the reorganization. Consistent with HSPD-2, the Director of the FTTTF will continue to report to the Deputy Attorney General as well as the FBI Director.

Finally, it is imperative that we move forward as quickly as possible to identify a new Director of the FTTTF in the wake of Steve McCraw's departure, and that the Bureau continue to assign high-performing personnel to the FTTTF to serve in critical positions. I appreciate your work toward that objective.

Thank you for your attention to these matters and for your continued leadership in the war against terrorism.