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From: O'Malley, Devin (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2017 7:19 PM

To: (b)(6) - Alex Pfeiffer

Cc: Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA)

Subject: Tomorrow's Backgrounder

Attachments: 171102_EOIR_Caseload_Reduction_Plan_Backgrounder.pdf;

171031_ODAG_EOIR_MEMO.pdf

Hey Alex-

The contents of this email and tomorrow's backgrounder are embargoed until the conclusion of tomorrow's meeting. None of the documents attached can be published in any way. Just so you know, we will be hosting a larger background with DOJ beat reporters and some immigration reporters. Those reporters are not getting the memo, nor will they be getting some additional info I'll send to you later tonight. They will be subject to an embargo until 2:00 pm.

I'm looking forward to tomorrow's backgrounder. You'll be speaking with James McHenry (Acting Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review) and Gene Hamilton (Counselor, Office of the Attorney General), and both can be cited as "DOJ official."

Off the record, you'll notice one line in there about the current space and how many courtrooms it fits; since the memo was published, we've been able to increase that number, so it's outdated and I'd avoid using it.

I'm probably going to send you one or two more background items for your piece later tonight.

I've copied some additional background below:

As <u>noted</u> in early August, the Executive Office for Immigration Review has seen an increase in key statistics under this Administration. This trend has continued through September 30th (2/1/2016-9/30/2016 vs. 2/1/2017-9/30/2017):

- Total Orders of Removal: 68,634
 O Up 29% over the same time period in 2016
- Total Orders of Removal and Voluntary Departure: 78,767
 Up 33% over the same time period in 2016
- Total Final Decisions: 100,921
 - o Up 16% over the same time period in 2016

On April 11, 2017, the Attorney General <u>announced</u> the implementation of a "streamlined hiring plan" for immigration judges. The first ad under this Attorney General closed at the end of June. Interviews occurred in September, and the Department expects to have recommendations on the Attorney General's desk by the beginning of December. The entire process (ad closure to start date) is expected to take 6-8 months—down from 18-24 months.

In another example of working to tackle the large pending caseload within the immigration court system, this memo was issued addressing continuances. Some relevant excerpts:

- "In 2012, the Office of the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Justice found
 that "frequent and lengthy continuances" were a significant contributing factor to increased case
 processing times and that over half of all cases surveyed had one or more continuances, with an
 average in those cases of four continuances and 368 days of continuance, per case."
- "A recent report by the U.S. Government Accountability Office showed that the use of continuances in immigration proceedings increased 23% between fiscal years 2006 and 2015."
- "Although fundamental fairness and due process require that legal proceedings be postponed in appropriate circumstances, Immigration Judges must also be mindful of the effects of frequent and lengthy continuances, particularly when they are not supported by good cause, on the efficient administration of justice for both respondents and the public."

Pursuant to the President's Executive Order 13767: Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Improvements, over one hundred immigration judges have been mobilized to Department of Homeland Security detention facilities across the country, including along the southern border. This mobilization includes both in-person assignments and dockets heard via video teleconferencing. EOIR analyzed the results of the surge to historical outcome data, and projected that the mobilized immigration judges completed approximately 2,700 more cases than expected if the immigration judges had not been detailed (March – September 2017). The data is as follows:

Home Court Deferred Cases		
Home Court Base Cities	Base City Deferred Cases	
MIA	943	
WAS	739	
LOS	644	
NYC	586	
SFR	363	
MEM	345	
ATL	246	
KAN	205	
NEW	180	
SND	172	
LVG	161	
NOL	160	
ORL	155	
SEA	142	
PHI	127	
DAL	121	
DEN	106	
CHI	95	
BOS	83	
CLE	82	
DET	80	
PHO	80	
SLC	61	
HOU	51	
HLG	45	
SNA	42	
DAI	27	

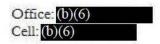
DAL	3//
TUC	33
CHL	28
HAR	26
BUF	14
OMA	6
SAJ	2
TAC	1
BTV	0
NYD	0
Total	6,161

Surge Court Completed Cases		
Surge Hub Cities	Surge Court Completed Cases	
Lasalle (LA)	1,370	
Corley (TX)	1,369	
Chicago (IL)	1,053	
Krome (FL)	805	
Otero (TX)	786	
Hutto (TX)	507	
Polk (TX)	350	
Oakdale - IHP	347	
Elizabeth (NJ)	321	
Otay Mesa (CA)	314	
Prarieland (TX)	294	
Glades (FL)	278	
Adelanto (CA)	264	
Laredo (TX)	207	
Eloy (AZ)	156	
Imperial (CA)	133	
Karnes (TX)	112	
Cibola (NM)	110	
Chicago - IHP	67	
Krome - Other	27	
Dilley (TX)	8	
Total	8,878	

As you know, this type of action is needed as the pending caseload has increased from 298,000 in FY2011 to 630,000 in FY2017. And receipts (i.e., new cases) continue to rise:

Fiscal Year	New Receipts
2015	202,000
2016	238,000
2017	289,000

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EOIR'S STRATEGIC CASELOAD REDUCTION PLAN

The pending caseload for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) has almost doubled since 2011. Indeed, as of September 22, 2017, EOIR's pending caseload at the immigration judge (IJ) level exceeded 634,000. Not all of those cases, however, are appropriately classified as "backlogged." For instance, detained cases are generally resolved at the IJ level in 70 days or less and, thus, are not backlogged in any meaningful sense. Many immigration cases also include riders, spouses or children "riding" with the principal case. Although each rider is counted toward the 634,000 total, riders and principals generally form only one case for adjudicatory purposes. Thus, including riders overstates the actual number of separate cases pending. Finally, a certain percentage of cases will always be docketed at any given time. These cases cannot be considered backlogged, especially if they have been pending for less than the median case adjudication time. Consequently, excluding detained cases, riders, and cases pending less than the median decision time of 21 months, a more appropriate estimate of the overall number of backlogged cases is approximately 264,000. Although this figure is significantly less than 634,000, EOIR recognizes that it needs to be reduced as expeditiously as possible. Therefore, this memorandum outlines five initiatives that EOIR is implementing to address and reduce the pending caseload.

I. BACKGROUND AND GOAL

Both extrinsic and intrinsic factors have contributed to EOIR's immigration court caseload growth, including changes in immigration policies, sluggish hiring of new IJs prior to 2017, and decreased IJ productivity. Therefore, EOIR has devised a multi-front plan grounded in five initiatives that address the caseload growth from different perspectives and provide a comprehensive strategy for significantly reducing the caseload by 2020.

The purpose of EOIR's caseload reduction strategy is to reduce the overall number of pending cases while maintaining due process. Three independent variables drive the pending non-detained caseload: (1) the number of IJs adjudicating cases; (2) the productivity rate of each individual IJ; and, (3) the number of new cases filed by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Consequently, to reverse the caseload growth, EOIR has designed a strategy to increase the first and second variables while working with DHS on accommodating any sudden changes in the third.

In short, to reduce the pending caseload, EOIR must increase its number of IJs, increase their productivity, and manage incoming case receipts from DHS. To those ends, EOIR has developed five strategic initiatives that each encompass multiple processes for confronting the pending caseload by addressing one or more of the three independent variables identified above. None of the initiatives are mutually exclusive, and all can and will be pursued simultaneously.

II. INITIATIVES TO REDUCE THE PENDING CASELOAD

Initiative 1: Increasing Adjudicatory Capacity

EOIR will increase adjudicatory capacity by increasing allocations of IJs, support staff, and space. These increases will improve overall output, as each new IJ should average 600 to 700 additional

completed cases annually once he or she completes training. Since FY 2016, EOIR has increased its IJ corps from 273 to 332, and is in an ongoing process of hiring more IJs up to its current authorization of 384.

If implemented as intended, the Attorney General's new streamlined IJ hiring process should reduce the amount of time to hire new IJs from an average of 742 days under the prior process to six months or less. Thus, EOIR anticipates that it will significantly increase its IJ corps within the next year.

To support this increase to its cadre of IJs, EOIR must hire additional support staff. Therefore, it is also requesting funding for FY 2019 to set the IJ/law clerk ratio at 1:1. The presence of a dedicated law clerk for each IJ to assist with routine motions, bond memoranda, and other types of legal work would make IJs more efficient by increasing the amount of time IJs spend hearing and deciding cases.

Finally, EOIR must also increase space allocations to support its increase in new personnel. Although EOIR is authorized for 384 IJs, it only has courtroom space for 370. EOIR is working with the General Services Administration (GSA) to identify new space and to expedite build-outs of existing space. Increasing space to increase adjudicatory capacity includes not only traditional courtrooms, but video teleconferencing (VTC) facilities as well. Within the next year, EOIR is planning to pilot VTC immigration hearing centers (IHCs), centralized locations where IJs will adjudicate cases by VTC from locations around the country.

Initiative 2: Maximizing the Use of Available Adjudicatory Capacity

In order to reduce the pending caseload, EOIR must also maximize its current adjudicatory capacity. EOIR's existing capacity is not being utilized to its fullest extent and underutilized resources create significant opportunity costs for adjudicating more cases. Overall, a combination of docket inefficiency and unused capacity are exacerbating the growth of the pending caseload, and this initiative addresses both prongs of the problem.

First, EOIR must improve its scheduling, docketing, and adjudicatory efficiency practices. For example, the time from the filing of the charging document to the first hearing varies significantly from court to court, as does the number of cases IJs hear per day. Therefore, to ensure that cases timely and appropriately move throughout the adjudicatory pipeline, EOIR is establishing and implementing nationwide scheduling and docketing standards that have clear goals for each stage of a case.

Second, EOIR is committed to eliminating dark (*i.e.* unused) courtrooms, which represent significant lost opportunities to hear additional cases. Dark courtrooms occur when an IJ is unavailable due to leave or an alternate work schedule (AWS) day off. For example, every Friday there are at least 100 dark courtrooms nationwide which are not used because of an IJ's AWS day off. As part of this "no dark courtrooms" initiative, EOIR is working with the IJ union, the National Association of Immigration Judges (NAIJ), to reassign AWS days off in order to ensure that courts are not left unoccupied when IJs are out and to restrict AWS days for new IJs who need to accumulate as much bench experience as possible. EOIR is also hiring new IJs for the VTC

courtrooms at EOIR HQ and using retired IJs as rehired annuitants to cover other dark courtrooms on a sporadic or as-needed basis.

Improvements in process efficiencies and the elimination or, at the least, significant reduction of dark courtrooms will maximize EOIR's current adjudicatory capacity and, thus, help reduce the pending caseload by increasing productivity.

Initiative 3: Transforming EOIR's Institutional Culture and Infrastructure

Since 2011, EOIR has not consistently focused on efficiently adjudicating non-detained cases. Consequently, it has developed an institutional culture that does not fully prioritize the expeditious adjudication of those cases. Reinforcing this culture are increased fears by IJs of reversal on appeal for making tough or unpopular legal decisions and of criticism by United States Circuit Court judges. This attitude of "defensive judging" manifests itself in practices that aggravate the pending caseload *e.g.* granting unnecessary continuances, refusing to pretermit applications that have no viable bases, and unnecessarily prolonging cases to allow a respondent multiple attempts to salvage an unmeritorious case. Reversing these practices and changing EOIR's overall institutional culture requires breaking prior bad habits and encouraging new, more efficient practices.

EOIR does not have any performance metrics or goals regarding completion of non-detained cases because its current collective bargaining agreement with the NAIJ prohibits the use of any type of performance metrics in evaluating an IJ's performance. But, such metrics can be effective tools for providing IJs with insight into their case management. Therefore, EOIR is developing reasonable caseload management goals and negotiating their implementation with the NAIJ. These goals would provide clear guidance to IJs about the timely adjudication of cases and expected case completion goals for non-detained dockets. Similarly, EOIR lacks any type of evaluative mechanisms or benchmarks for determining whether a court is operating efficiently. Thus, it is working to develop uniform standards for courts regarding case processing, including standards for support staff, to more effectively assess which courts are functioning properly.

Culturally, EOIR is working with IJs to reduce "defensive judging" by improving training and reviewing and clarifying disciplinary rules and procedures related to IJs based on their decisions, and by reinforcing the primacy of an IJ's central role, deciding cases. Relatedly, EOIR is also reviewing its procedures for oral decisions and analyzing whether switching to a template-based, written-decision model would improve efficiency and help adjudicate more cases in a timely and legally sufficient manner.

In addition to changing its institutional culture, changes to EOIR's infrastructure will also combat the growth in the pending caseload. On this front, EOIR is pursuing two significant changes to its infrastructure that will improve efficiency and enhance productivity. With respect to the first, EOIR is transforming its operations at the IJ level from a paper-based system to an electronic file system. Second, EOIR will establish an Office of Policy for its analytics, strategy, and policy processes. Currently, polices related to the pending caseload run through several different EOIR sub-components without any centralized coordination, which complicates and impedes effective implementation of efforts to address the pending caseload. The establishment of an Office of

Policy will permit closer management of EOIR's caseload reduction efforts discussed in this memorandum.

Initiative 4: Enhancing Partnerships with DHS

A significant aspect of EOIR's pending caseload has been driven by the policy choices of DHS. DHS is solely responsible for new case inputs; its three immigration-related components each file cases with EOIR and directly control both the timing and the amount of new cases filed with EOIR each year.

For example, there are almost 349,000 pending cases administratively closed by EOIR which are potentially subject to a motion to recalendar by DHS. DHS also has its own adjudicatory backlog of cases that may be transferred to EOIR over the next two years, and receipts of new cases from DHS overall are already up significantly since January 2017. In short, DHS case receipts are expected to continue to increase, and any burst of case initiation by a DHS component could seriously compromise EOIR's ability to address its caseload and greatly exacerbate the current state of the backlog.

Additionally, a significant amount of delay in many EOIR cases is due to waiting for DHS to adjudicate a petition or application for an alien already in immigration proceedings. EOIR is actively engaged in dialogue with DHS regarding ways in which those delays can be minimized. EOIR is also working on its own internal procedures to minimize the impact of these cases on its own dockets.

EOIR has provided input regarding the impact on its dockets of any new DHS policies. It is also working with DHS on a memorandum of understanding regarding data-sharing and on enhancing strategic projections of future immigration cases, both of which will help ameliorate the consequences of any sudden surges in new cases. EOIR senior leadership enjoys a strong professional relationship with its counterparts at DHS. Although EOIR cannot dictate DHS policy, the number of new cases filed by DHS, or the speed at which DHS components process cases, it can continue to work closely with those components in order to ameliorate the consequences on its caseload of any future actions by DHS.

Initiative 5: Improving Existing Laws and Policies

Changes to existing law, especially regarding issues such as continuances and asylum eligibility, would have a profound impact on EOIR's pending caseload. Although some of the most efficacious changes would require legislation, EOIR is pursuing other means of improving law and policy in an effort to address its pending caseload without compromising due process.

For instance, EOIR's regulatory authority provides one avenue to address cases more expeditiously. EOIR recently submitted a proposed final rule that would permit IJs to deny certain types of non-meritorious applications for relief even after the cap for grants for that relief have been reached. It is also preparing regulatory changes regarding continuances and case remands from the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) which would help cases move more expeditiously through the system.

Additionally, EOIR periodically issues Operating Policies and Procedures Memoranda (OPPMs) related to the adjudication of cases in immigration courts. EOIR has rescinded many OPPMs that have become outdated or superseded and is reviewing others that may need revision. It is also evaluating ways in which cases can be processed more efficiently, while maintaining due process, through policy guidance contained in an OPPM.

Finally, the Attorney General has authority to establish immigration policy through legal interpretations of immigration laws in administrative determinations in immigration proceedings. EOIR has identified multiple issues to recommend for Attorney General review. Clarification and guidance from the Attorney General will help streamline immigration court proceedings and will have a substantial impact on the size of the pending caseload.

III. CONCLUSION

The size of EOIR's pending caseload will not reverse itself overnight, and as DHS increases its enforcement activities and works to address its own backlog of pending cases, the caseload will likely get worse before it improves. Nevertheless, based on EOIR's analytics, there are effective ways to address the pending caseload consistent with maintaining due process. The five steps above will increase the number of immigration judges, enhance IJ efficiency, and ensure that DHS actions do not offset EOIR's work to reduce the caseload. In fact, EOIR has already seen a notable slowdown in the growth of the size of the pending caseload since April as some of these initiatives have been tentatively implemented. If these initiatives are fully realized, EOIR can realistically expect not only a reversal of the growth of the caseload, but a significant reduction in it perhaps by as much as 50% by FY 2020. Accordingly, EOIR recommends that the Deputy Attorney General approve its Strategic Caseload Reduction Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Deputy Attorney General	approve the Executive	Office for Immigration	Review's
Strategic Caseload Reduction Plan.			

APPROVE:	Concurring components:	
	None	
DISAPPROVE:	Nonconcurring components:	
	None	

OTHER:

BACKGROUNDER ON EOIR STRATEGIC CASELOAD REDUCTION PLAN

BACKGROUND

- The Executive Office for Immigration Review's (EOIR) caseload has *doubled* since 2011, from less than 300,000 pending cases to more than 630,000 in October 2017.
- The pace of the caseload increase has accelerated:
 - o FY 2014 FY 2015: +48,000 cases
 - o FY 2015 FY 2016: +60,000 cases
 - o FY 2016 FY 2017: +100,000 cases (projected)
- Numerous policy changes in recent years have slowed down the adjudication of existing cases and incentivized further illegal immigration that led to new cases:
 - o DACA
 - Prosecutorial Discretion
 - Provisional Waivers
- Representatives of illegal aliens have purposely used tactics designed to delay the adjudication of their clients' cases:
 - O Between FY 2006 and FY 2015, continuances in immigration proceedings increased 23%.
 - O As of 2012, cases averaged four continuances, which totaled 368 days per continuance.²
- Productivity of immigration judges fell by 31% between FY 2006 and FY 2015.³

GOAL

• In order to reduce the pending caseload, EOIR must increase adjudicatory capacity, increase immigration judge (IJ) productivity, and manage incoming case receipts from the Department of Homeland Security. EOIR is implementing five initiatives to address these goals.

INCREASING ADJUDICATORY CAPACITY

- FY 2016 authorized 384 IJs, and the total number of IJs is currently 339, up from 273 since September 2016; if approved, EOIR will be authorized to hire up to 449 IJs.
- The Attorney General announced a "new, streamlined hiring plan" in April 2017 that is showing signs of reducing the hiring process from 742 days to 6 8 months.⁴
- In addition to more immigration judges, EOIR is requesting funding to reduce the ratio of judicial law clerks (JLCs) for all IJs from 2:1 to 1:1, improving productivity and efficiency.
- EOIR is actively working with Government Services Administration (GSA) to identify new space and to expedite build outs of existing space.

¹ https://www.gao.gov/assets/690/685022.pdf

² https://www.justice.gov/eoir/file/oppm17 01/download

³ https://www.gao.gov/assets/690/685022.pdf

⁴ https://www.justice.gov/opa/speech/attorney general jeff sessions delivers remarks announcing department justice s renewed

 EOIR is planning to pilot Video Teleconferencing (VTC) immigration adjudication centers (IACs), where IJs will adjudicate cases from around the country.

MAXIMIZING THE USE OF AVAILABLE ADJUDICATORY CAPACITY

- Every Friday, there are at least 100 courtrooms nationwide that are not being used because of IJ alternate work schedules.
- No Dark Courtrooms policy:
 - O Hiring new IJs for VTC courtrooms in Falls Church, VA
 - O Utilize retired IJs to cover dark courtrooms
- Establish nationwide scheduling and docketing standards to more efficiently move cases to completion.

TRANSFORMING EOIR'S INSTITUTIONAL CULTURE AND INFRASTRUCTURE

- EOIR is actively looking to replace its operations from a paper based filing system to an electronic filing system.
- Realign the agency towards completing cases.
- Provide clear guidance to IJs about the timely adjudication of cases.
- Placing more supervisory IJs in the field to improve oversight and ensure more effective implementation of strategies to reduce the caseload.

ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS WITH DHS

Strengthen aspects of EOIR's relationship with DHS will help improve docket efficiency and IJ
productivity by managing the input of new cases and more efficiently monitoring cases that are
delayed pending an adjudication before USCIS.

IMPROVING EXISTING LAWS AND POLICIES

• Review of existing EOIR regulations and policies to determine changes that could streamline current immigration proceedings (e.g. the OPPM on continuances issued on July 31, 2017).

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From: O'Malley, Devin (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2017 8:43 AM

To: (b)(6) - Jake Gibson

Subject: Fwd: EMBARGOED UNTIL 1:00 pm EDT: California 1373 Letter

Attachments: CaliforniaLettter_11-1-17.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Just bumping up since I sent so late

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "O'Malley, Devin (OPA)" <(b)(6)

Date: October 31, 2017 at 9:25:39 PM EDT

To: "Gibson, Jake" <(b)(6) >

Subject: EMBARGOED UNTIL 1:00 pm EDT: California 1373 Letter

Hi Jake-

Per our conversation, I've attached the letter being sent to California tomorrow re: their 1373 compliance. This is the last of the responses that we sent a few weeks ago, which you can read about here. You are getting this exclusively. In a perfect world, we were hoping for a write-up, but also Outnumbered Overtime or Dana's show. Let me know your thoughts on that

Here is an accompanying statement, attributable to me:

"In early October, the State of California codified into law a requirement that local police release criminal aliens back onto our streets. This law undermines public safety and national security, was opposed by law enforcement, and potentially violates federal law. The abandonment of the rule of law evades all common sense, especially given the multiple high-profile incidents that have occurred in California as a result of similar policies. The Justice Department urges California to reconsider these so-called 'sanctuary policies."

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Devin

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November 1, 2017

Kathleen Howard
Executive Director
California Board of State and Community Corrections
2590 Venture Oaks Way, Ste. 200
Sacramento, CA 95833

Dear Ms. Howard,

Your FY 2016 Byrne JAG grant award required you to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373; to undertake a review to validate your jurisdiction's compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373; and to submit documentation, including an official legal opinion from counsel, adequately supporting the validation. Thank you for your recent submission. The Department of Justice has reviewed your submission, all attached documentation, and your jurisdiction's laws, policies, and practices relating to compliance with section 1373, to the extent they were provided or are readily available.

This letter is to inform you that, based on a preliminary review, the Department has determined that the following laws, policies, or practices may violate 8 U.S.C. § 1373, depending on how your jurisdiction interprets and applies them. These laws, policies, or practices include, but may not be limited to:

• SB 54/CA Code § 7284.6. Part (a)(1)(C) and (D) state that California law enforcement agencies shall not provide "information regarding a person's release date . . . [or] home address." Part (e), however, states that this law does not "prohibit or restrict . . . sending . . . information regarding . . . immigration status" to federal immigration authorities. In order to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, the Department has determined that California would need to certify that it interprets and applies these provisions to not restrict California officers from sharing information regarding immigration status with federal immigration officers, including information regarding release date and home address. The Department has determined that California would also need to certify that it has communicated this interpretation to its officers and employees. If California cannot provide this certification, the Department has determined that these provisions violate section 1373(a).

• SB 54/CA Code § 7284.6. Part (a)(1)(A) states that California law enforcement agencies "shall not . . . inquir[e] into an individual's immigration status." Under 8 U.S.C. § 1373(b)(1), however, California may not "in any way restrict" the "requesting" of "information regarding . . . immigration status" from federal immigration officers. Part (e) states that this does not "prohibit or restrict . . . requesting from federal immigration authorities immigration status information." In order to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, the Department has determined that California would need to certify that it interprets and applies this provision to not restrict California officers and employees from requesting information regarding immigration status from federal immigration officers. The Department has determined that California would also need to certify that it has communicated this interpretation to its officers and employees. If California cannot provide this certification, the Department has determined that this provision violates section 1373(b).

Your jurisdiction may submit a response to this preliminary assessment, as well as any additional evidence you would like the Department to consider, before it reaches its final determination. Please submit all additional documentation by November 13, 2017. Once the Department has had an opportunity to review your submission, the Department will notify you of its final determination.

This letter reflects the Department's preliminary assessment of your jurisdiction's compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373. This letter does not constitute final agency action and nothing in this letter creates any right or benefit enforceable at law against the United States. Additionally, as the United States continues to collect information about your jurisdiction, it reserves the right to identify additional bases of potential violations of 8 U.S.C. § 1373.

Sincerely,

Alan Hanson

Acting Assistant Attorney General

Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 11:45 AM

To: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: Re: Press Inquiry

White House Homeland Security Adviser Tom Bossert told reporters: "So I would say that, as it was reported to me, it seemed to be fairly broad and something that would trouble me if it was as broad as reported. In terms of a connection with any group, any refugee organization, it might be read, if the early reports that I looked at were accurate, as something so expansive as to cover every refugee. And that certainly couldn't be the interpretation the Supreme Court intended.

So we'll have to go back and have the attorneys read it, interpret it further, and decide whether this is another productive or unproductive step in this saga as we try to secure our country."

On Fri, Jul 14, 2017 at 11:43 AM, Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6) wrote:

Hey lan - Do you have a statement on Judge Derrick Watson's ruling in Hawaii about the president's executive order regarding refugees?

Thanks, Alex Pfeiffer White House Correspondent The Daily Caller

Nestande, Francesca

From: Nestande, Francesca

Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 5:24 PM

To: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: Re: CIA Public Affairs

Thank you!

Francesca Nestande



On Jul 7, 2017, at 5:23 PM, Prior, Ian (OP) (b)(6) wrote:

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 11:38 AM

To: Breitbart

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: Re: AG Sessions Remarks from AZ

We will not. Possible the org itself does.

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> On Apr 11, 2017, at 8:15 AM, Breitbart (b)(6) wrote:
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> Sarah,

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> It's my understanding AG Sessions will be speaking in Litchfield Park AZ at around 4pm EDT this afternoon. Will DOJ have a livestream of this speech?

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- > Thanks,
- > Ian Mason
- > DOJ Reporter, Breitbart News

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Singman, Brooke

From: Singman, Brooke

Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 10:55 AM

To: (b)(6) - Peter Carr

Subject: Fox News request

Hi Peter,

Hope you're well.

Covering the Attorney General's trip to Arizona today from New York wondered if you would be offering up his remarks embargoed? Or could provide me with some guidance as to what we can expect him to say to law enforcement at 1p EST?

Thank you,

Brooke Singman Reporter, Fox News Channel

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Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine

Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 10:54 AM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Cc: (b)(6) - Nicole Navas (b)(6) - Ian Prior

Subject: embargo

Peter We are covering the AG's event at 1, can you please forward the embargoed material to review. Thx!

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Sent: Monday, April 10, 2017 4:20 PM

To: Dukeman, Paige
Cc: Joost, Nathalie

Subject: RE: Peter - AG Sessions Tuesday

There was an error in the advisory. The MST times are correct for the events 10am local time for Nogales, 1pm for IACP and 3:15 for Luke AFB.

From: Dukeman, Paige [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, April 10, 2017 12:32 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6) (b)(6)

Cc: Joost, Nathalie (b)(6)

Subject: Peter - AG Sessions Tuesday

Hi Peter – can you clarify the EDT times for the below events with AG Sessions? I think the EDT and MST times are swapped.

Thanks!

Paige Dukema (b)(6)

7:00 a.m. EDT /

10:00 a.m. MST Attorney General Jeff Sessions will travel to Arizona, to tour the U.S.-Mexico border and speak with law enforcement and military personnel.

Port of Nogales, Mariposa Crossing

210 N. Mariposa Road

Executive Conference Rm B-100

Nogales, Arizona 85621

OPEN PRESS

NOTE: All media who wish to attend must RSVP by Monday, April 10, 2017, at 10 a.m. to provide time to be cleared to enter through Port security. Upon arrival, media must present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver's license as well as valid media credentials). The RSVP and any inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to Peter Carr in the Office of Public Affairs at 202 514-2007 o

10:00 a.m. EDT /

1:00 p.m. MST Attorney General Jeff Sessions will be the keynote speaker at the

International Association of Chiefs of Police Division Midyear Conference.

The Wigwam

300 East Wigwam Blvd.

Wigwam Ballroom

Litchfield Park, Arizona 85340

REMARKS WILL BE OPEN PRESS

(Camera Preset by for K9 Sweep: 12:15 p.m. CDT // Final Access: 12:40 p.m. CDT)

NOTE: The midyear meeting itself is closed press, but the Attorney General's remarks will be open to the press. All media who wish to cover the remarks must RSVP and present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver's license as well as valid media credentials). The RSVP and any inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to Peter Carr in the Office of Public Affairs at 202 514-2007 (b)(6)

12:15 p.m. EDT /

3:15 p.m. MST Attorney General Jeff Sessions will speak to service members at Luke Air Force Base.

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Luke Air Force Base 14185 Falcon Street Club Five Six Luke AFB, Arizona 85309 OPEN PRESS

NOTE: All media who wish to attend must RSVP by Monday, April 10, 2017, at 3 p.m. to provide time to be cleared to enter through base security. Upon arrival, media must present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver's license as well as valid media credentials). The RSVP and any inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to Peter Carr in the Office of Public Affairs at 202 514-2007 (b)(6)

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Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 3:10 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: potential great guests

Got it, thank you!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 3:00 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: potential great guests

On police issues:

Chief Tom Manger, President of Major Cities Chief

• Chief Peter Newsham, Washington D.C (b)(6)

Chief Ed Flynn Milwauke (b)(6)

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 1:53 PM

To: Prior, Ian (OPA); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: would love to chat with Bill's EP at some point

I spoke with Sarah today. I think we are in good shape. Many thanks andrew

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 1:52 PM

To: Conti, Andrew; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: RE: would love to chat with Bill's EP at some point

I can do today 2:30 work?

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

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From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 12:24 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: would love to chat with Bill's EP at some point

Got it do you have a time frame for a discussion?

Today?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 12:22 PM

To: Conti, Andrew **Cc:** Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: would love to chat with Bill's EP at some point

Just to touch base regularly on some issues from this building so we make sure yall know what were thinking over here.

S

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 12:27 PM

To: Conti, Andrew
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: RE: would love to chat with Bill's EP at some point

Given the craziness of news today, I wouldn't want to take up much time. I'd love to discuss some timely issues, but I don't think anything is urgent. So this afternoon would be great if there's time but this weekend or early next week would also be fine.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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Matthew Boyle Breitbart

> Sent from my iPhone

From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart Wednesday, April 5, 2017 7:47 PM Sent: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) To: Subject: Re: Interview soon? No worries!!! I didn't think that was just pinging you Sent from my iPhone > On Apr 5, 2017, at 7:45 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: > Yeah--we haven't done any yet...so don't think im ignoring you! Im ignoring everyone for the time being. > *** > Sarah Isgur Flores > Director of Public Affairs > > -----Original Message-----> From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart [mailt (b)(6) > Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 5:16 PM > To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6) > Subject: Interview soon? > > Any way we can do that interview soon? Sessions is doing many great things as AG...

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(b)(6) - Ian Mason

From: (b)(6) - Ian Mason

Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 2:20 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: Rice Revelations

Absolutely. I merely meant on the criteria the Department may use in evaluating this type of case. Not asking about any operational decisions or details.

----Original Message-----

From: "Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)" (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 2:05pm

T (b)(6) - Ian Mason

Subject: RE: Rice Revelations

We don't comment on the existence or non-existence of criminal investigations

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

----Original Message-----

From (b)(6) - Ian Mason [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 12:56 PM

T (b)(6)

Subject: Rice Revelations

Sarah,

Is there anyone at DOJ that might be willing to comment, in light of the President's remarks to the NYT today, on the potential for a criminal investigation into Susan Rice's "unmasking" of American citizens?

Thanks,

Ian Mason

DOJ Reporter, Breitbart News

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Lauer, Tim

From: Lauer, Tim

Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 11:54 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD)

Subject: RE: Fox News interview request

Ok thanks

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt **(b)(6)** Sent: Wednesday, April 05, 2017 11:54 AM

To: Lauer, Tim

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD)

Subject: RE: Fox News interview request

Sorry he leaves tomorrow and we aren't doing any to this week at this point

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Lauer, Tim [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 11:48 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Fox News interview request

Thanks, Sarah. Would it be possible to set up a pretape next Friday, that's 4/14? We are flexible on time...

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 3:35 PM

To: Lauer, Tim

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD)

Subject: RE: Fox News interview request

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Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Lauer, Tim [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 2:14 PM **To:** Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Fox News interview request

Hi Sarah,

Hope all is well. Checking back on the AG as we would love to have him on the show with Judge Jeanine Pirro this Saturday... 'Justice' is live at 9P and this interview would be at the top of the show.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt_(b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 3:12 PM

To: Lauer, Tim

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD)

Subject: FW: Fox News interview request

Definitely interested in doing the show the AG is traveling Friday so I don't know that this week will work. But we will have more to come on sanctuary cities and immigration issues so let's look at next week?

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Lauer, Tim [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 2:30 PM

To: Press@usdoj.gov

Subject: Fox News interview request

Hello,

I'm a producer of *Justice with Judge Jeanine* on Fox News would like to invite AG Sessions to appear in a live or taped interview with Judge Jeanine Pirro to talk sanctuary cities and the administration's promise to combat opioid abuse. Judge Pirro's show is live at 9 PM, we would also be happy to pretape Friday at a time convenient to AG Sessions.

Justice is the most watched primetime cable news program on Saturdays and our viewers would greatly benefit from hearing directly from AG Sessions.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Tim Lauer | Associate Producer Fox News Channel Justice with Judge Jeanine 1211 Avenue of the Americas NY, NY 10036

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Lauer, Tim

From: Lauer, Tim

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 3:32 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD)

Subject: RE: Fox News interview request

Next week would be great. please let me know if the AG would like to do Friday or Saturday and we can set it up.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 3:12 PM

To: Lauer, Tim

Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (JMD)

Subject: FW: Fox News interview request



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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 11:54 AM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Subject: Re: Mexican cartel leader sentencing today

Thanks, Peter. I appreciate the heads up.

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

(b)(6) (Mobile) (b)(6) (DOJ) (b)(6)

@MattFirewall

From: Carr, Peter (OPA (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 11:53:04 AM

To: Dean, Matthew

Subject: Mexican cartel leader sentencing today

Hi Matt,

Just wanted to flag that Alfredo Beltran Leyva will be sentenced today at 2:30 before Judge Leon in D.C. federal court.

This case represents the most significant extradition and conviction of a member of the Beltran-Leyva cartel in the history of that cartel, and one of the most significant major Mexican cartel convictions ever in our country's long-running battle against these criminal organizations.

Below are embargoed excerpts from our press release, just so you have the details about his case. The Post also ran a story about his this morning with a lot more detail: <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/public-safety/kingpin-ex-ally-of-el-chapo-guzman-whose-arrest-set-off-mexicos-drug-war-to-be-sentenced-in-us/2017/04/05/5fae48b2-194a-11e7-9887-1a5314b56a08_story.html?utm_term_.05a40d6c3406.

Realize that there is a lot of news right now, so this may not make the cut. But outside of El Chapo, this is the next biggest cartel leader we have in U.S. custody.

Best, Peter

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Alfredo Beltran Leyva, also known as Mochomo, one of the leaders of the Beltran Leyva Organization, a Mexican drug-trafficking cartel responsible for importing multi-ton quantities of cocaine and methamphetamine into the United States, was sentenced today to XX in prison for his participation in an international narcotics trafficking conspiracy.

Beltran Leyva, 45, was indicted on Aug. 24, 2012, for conspiracy to distribute cocaine and methamphetamine for importation into the United States. The defendant was extradited from Mexico to the United States on Nov. 15, 2014, and pleaded guilty on Feb. 23, 2016, before U.S. District Judge Richard J. Leon of the District of Columbia. Judge Leon imposed today's sentence and ordered Beltran Leyva to serve an XX term of supervised release.

In court, Beltran Leyva admitted that he was part of a conspiracy to import large quantities of drugs into the United States. At his plea hearing and during pre-trial conferences, the government proffered evidence that from the early 1990s until his indictment in August 2014, the defendant was a leader of the Beltran Leyva Organization, a global criminal enterprise responsible for importing multi-ton quantities of cocaine and methamphetamine into the United States. Beltran Leyva admitted that he and his organization obtained tonnage quantities of cocaine from South American suppliers, which the defendant and his organization helped finance and which were transported to Mexico via air, land and sea. Once the cocaine reached Mexico, the defendant's organization transported it to key points in Mexico, including Culiacan, Sinaloa, which was also the central point for the collection of billions of dollars from drug trafficking proceeds in the United States. At sentencing, the government's evidence showed that the organization used weapons and carried out acts of violence, including murders, kidnappings, tortures and violent collections of drug debts, in order to sustain the drug importation operation.

On May 30, 2008, the United States added the Beltran Leyva Organization to the Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Asset Control's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, pursuant to the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act. On Aug. 20, 2009, the United States specifically designated Beltran Leyva as a specially-designated drug trafficker under the same act.

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Breitbart

Breitbart From: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 9:52 AM Sent: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) To: Subject: Re: Copy of Directive This is the first I've got it. Thanks very much. > On Apr 4, 2017, at 7:55 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: > > Did this not go to the email address you sent for our press list? >> On Apr 4, 2017, at 1:19 AM, (b)(6) - Ian Mason wrote: >> >> Sarah, >> >> I was hoping to get a copy of the policing memo from the Attorney General reported on by NPR here: http://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2017/04/03/522309537/justice-department-to-review-all-civilrights-agreements-on-police-conduct >> >> Might that be possible?

>> >> Thanks very much,

>> lan Mason,

>> DOJ Reporter, Breitbart News

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 7:55 AM

To: (b)(6) - Ian Mason

Subject: Fwd: AG Memorandum Supporting Federal, State, Local and Tribal Law Enforcement Attachments: AG Memorandum Supporting Federal, State, Local and Tribal Law Enforcement.pdf;

ATT00001.htm

Here it is....

Begin forwarded message:

From: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" < Ex_PAOMailbox@jmd.usdoj.gov

Date: April 3, 2017 at 4:55:34 PM EDT

To: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" < Ex PAOMailbox@jmd.usdoj.gov Subject: AG Memorandum Supporting Federal, State, Local and Tribal Law

Enforcement

Subject: AG Memorandum Supporting Federal, State, Local and Tribal Law Enforcement

Please see memo from the Attorney General on supporting federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement.

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Office of the Attorney General Washington, **D**. C. 20530

March 31, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR HEADS OF DEPARTMENT COMPONENTS AND

UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS Mario & Hersider AD

FROM:

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

SUBJECT:

Supporting Federal, State, Local and Tribal Law Enforcement

Our mission statement directs the Department of Justice "to ensure public safety," "to provide federal leadership in preventing and controlling crime," and "to ensure fair and impartial administration of justice for all Americans." We fully embrace and share these responsibilities with thousands of law enforcement agencies across the country that also seek to prevent crime and protect the public. We understand the crucial role interagency partnerships play in successful crime prevention strategies, and the Department is proud of the longstanding relationships it has with our federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement partners. The Federal government alone cannot successfully address rising crimes rates, secure public safety, protect and respect the civil rights of all members of the public, or implement best practices in policing. These are, first and foremost, tasks for state, local, and tribal law enforcement. By strengthening our longstanding and productive relationships with our law enforcement partners, we will improve public safety for all Americans.

The Department will use its resources to effectively promote a peaceful and lawful society, where the civil rights of all persons are valued and protected. To that end, I expect that all Department components will adhere to and support principles that will advance those two goals, including, but not limited to the following:

- The safety and protection of the public is the paramount concern and duty of law enforcement officials.
- Law enforcement officers perform uniquely dangerous tasks, and the Department should help promote officer safety, officer morale, and public respect for their work.
- Local law enforcement must protect and respect the civil rights of all members of the public.
- Local control and local accountability are necessary for effective local policing. It is not the responsibility of the federal government to manage non-federal law enforcement agencies.

- The misdeeds of individual bad actors should not impugn or undermine the legitimate and honorable work that law enforcement officers and agencies perform in keeping American communities safe.
- The collection and analysis of timely, reliable statistics on crime and criminals are essential for effective law enforcement strategies.
- Recruitment and training of law enforcement officers should focus on making law enforcement a rewarding career, and attracting and retaining well-qualified personnel.
- Collaboration between federal and local law enforcement is important, and jurisdictions
 whose law enforcement agencies accept funding from the Department are expected to
 adhere to the Department's grant conditions as well as to all federal laws.

The Deputy Attorney General and the Associate Attorney General are hereby directed to immediately review all Department activities – including collaborative investigations and prosecutions, grant making, technical assistance and training, compliance reviews, existing or contemplated consent decrees, and task force participation – in order to ensure that they fully and effectively promote the principles outlined above. Nothing in this Memorandum, however, should be construed to delay or impede any pending criminal or national security investigation or program.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Monday, April 3, 2017 3:18 PM

To: (b)(6) - Ian Mason

Subject: RE: Press Credentials

I believe your gmail is on our list per last week. Credentials here go to reporters who work out of this building. In the past, Breitbart has preferred to work elsewhere. Let me know if that changes. Otherwise, youre always going to be fine to come in the building for press events or anything else through the visitors center if you give our office a heads up.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

----Original Message-----

From (b)(6) - Ian Mason [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, April 3, 2017 2:41 PM

T (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Press Credentials

Sarah,

I just wanted to follow up on getting credentialed over at DOJ. Please let me know if there's a good time this week to do so.

Please also let me know if there are any DOJ listservs I should be on.

Thanks so much, Ian Mason, DOJ Reporter, Breitbart News

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Alex Pfeiffer

From: Alex Pfeiffer

Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 3:53 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: Press Inquiry

No worries.

On Fri, Mar 31, 2017 at 3:41 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: You're way ahead of where we are. No idea.

On Mar 31, 2017, at 2:39 PM, Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6) wrote:

Okay. And do you think there would be press vans?

On Fri, Mar 31, 2017 at 2:45 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

Yeah--so we haven't made any plans as to press yet. But if we do take folks, we'd probably only fly you w us one way. So you'd pay the government for the flight out and then you'd need your own flight back.

> On Mar 31, 2017, at 1:43 PM, Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6) wrote:

>

> Hi Sarah - Today the Washington Post reported that Attorney General Sessions is likely to make a border visit in April. You don't have to confirm the lede of this story, as this isn't me emailing you for an article. I just would like to tag along if Sessions does make the trip, and am wondering how I would do about getting that done, and what the costs would be for the Caller.

>

- > Thanks,
- > Alex Pfeiffer
- > Reporter
- > The Daily Caller

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 1:08 PM

To: Chuck Ross

Subject: Re: Flynn immunity

Don't have anything for you at this point

> On Mar 31, 2017, at 10:31 AM, Chuck Ross (b)(6) wrote:

>

> Hi Sarah,

>

> Are you all able to comment on the story that Michael Flynn and his lawyers offered to speak to DOJ in exchange for some sort of immunity?

>

- > Thank you,
- > Chuck Ross
- > The Daily Caller

(b)(6)

Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 12:35 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: thank you

Hi Sarah,

We very much appreciate the AG's time yesterday for the Factor. Also, thank you for all your help coordinating the interview from DOJ. It's very much appreciated. Please keep us in mind for future interviews. Best,

Andrew

Andrew P. Conti
"The O'Reilly Factor"
Fox News Channel
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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) Thursday, March 30, 2017 9:09 PM Sent: Joel B. Pollak To: Subject: Re: Another query about holdover I doubt it--from the style we weren't a party. So case can continue either way. On Mar 30, 2017, at 9:06 PM, Joel B. Pollak (b)(6) wrote: Cool--does that mean the case is dropped? J Sent from my iPhone On Mar 30, 2017, at 6:02 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: Just confirmed--DOJ is no longer involved On Mar 30, 2017, at 8:46 PM, Joel B. Pollak (b)(6) wrote: Thank you! J Sent from my iPhone On Mar 30, 2017, at 4:50 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) wrote: Im working on an answer to this. It looks like it may turn out we aren't really involved in the case at this point. But will let you know. *** Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs (b)(6)From (b)(6) - Joel Pollak [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 3:23 PM To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) Subject: Another query about holdover

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Hi Sarah

I have another query about "holdover" policies or personnel from the previous admin... this time concerning a case, Southwest Key Programs, Inc. v. City of Escondido (Southern District of California, Case No. Case 3:15-cv-01115-H-BLM).

The case concerns a detention facility housing illegal alien minors. The city wanted to bar it. ACLU said that violated the Fair Housing Act, and the Obama DOJ agreed. It's a novel argument. The court actually anticipated that the government's position might change... and was then told in early February that it hadn't?

I believe the case was also being handled by a U.S. Attorney, Laura Duffy of the Southern District of California, who may no longer be in office.

J

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 4:34 PM

To: Conti, Andrew; Dean, Matthew

Subject: FW: ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES EXPANSION AND MODERNIZATION

OF PROGRAM TO DEPORT CRIMINAL ALIENS HOUSED IN FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL

FACILITIES

I'm sure yall are aware but flagging we just sent this out

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO) Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 3:02 PM

To: USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO) < Ex_PAOMailbox@jmd.usdoj.gov>

Subject: ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES EXPANSION AND MODERNIZATION OF PROGRAM TO DEPORT

CRIMINAL ALIENS HOUSED IN FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES



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ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS ANNOUNCES EXPANSION AND MODERNIZATION OF PROGRAM TO DEPORT CRIMINAL ALIENS HOUSED IN FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

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The program is coordinated by the Department of Justice's Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), the Bureau of Prisons (BOP) and Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

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The expansion and modernization of the IHP program will occur in the following three ways:

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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 2:37 PM

To: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: RE: Embargoed until 3:00 pm

Hey Ian

Thanks for the heads up much appreciated.

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

(b)(6) (Mobile) (b)(6) (DOJ)

(b)(6)

@MattFirewall

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 2:35 PM

To: Dean, Matthew

Subject: Embargoed until 3:00 pm

Hey Matt,

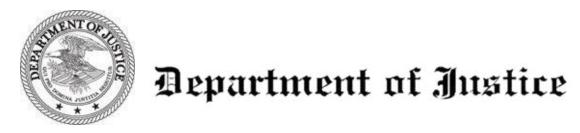
We are releasing below at 3:00 pm but wanted to get in front of you a bit early with an embargo until then

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

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Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 1:57 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: o'reilly - all set for 6:30p - thanks

We are all set for 6:30p-make up artist and technical aspect. Matt said he was in contact with you. Thanks again.

Andrew

Andrew P. Conti "The O'Reilly Factor" Fox News Channel



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Jeanine Pirro

From: Jeanine Pirro

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 1:29 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Cc: Tim Lauer
Subject: Re: Hi jeanine

Wait.

If u mean my show justice - we're live on Sat at 9pm or we can do a pretape earlier....

Sent from my iPhone

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> On Mar 30, 2017, at 1:22 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
> What time do you tape today?
> ***
> Sarah Isgur Flores
> Director of Public Affairs
(b)(6)
> -----Original Message----
> From: Jeanine Pirr (b)(6)
> Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 11:35 AM
> T (b)(6)
> Subject: Hi jeanine
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(b)(6)

> I use thus email mostly

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> Sent from my iPhone

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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 12:04 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)

Subject: Re: tomorrows hit

Hi Sarah and Kelly

I just got the name of a makeup artist that will be on site to touch up AG Sessions prior to the O'Reilly interview this evening. Her name is Renata Kelly. Do we need to supply all of her personal information in order to get cleared in as we did with the camera crew?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

(b)(6) (Mobile) (b)(6) (DOJ)

(b)(6) @MattFirewall

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:48:18 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)

Subject: Re: tomorrows hit

Hi Sarah

Sounds good. I'll have this information to you by tonight.

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

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@MattFirewall

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:46:39 PM **To:** Dean, Matthew; Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)

Subject: tomorrows hit

Matt:

Kelly needs the following for all your film crew by 10am tomorrow morning. They need to be cleared before bldg. access. I値I let her follow up with any other questions:

Full legal name SSN DOB City/state of birth

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

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Prior, Ian (OPA)

From: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 6:49 PM

To: Winner, Ted

Subject: Re: fox news inquiry - time sensitive

Hey Ted,

Off the record again, but I'm not going to be able to get answer on that quickly. I think the important upshot to highlight from Sessions speech is that jurisdictions will need to certify compliance with 1373 in order to be eligible for DOJ grants.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 29, 2017, at 6:39 PM, Winner, Ted **(b)**(6) wrote:

Ian - sorry to bother... So is 1374 prosecutable? If not, why? We air in 20, sorry!

On Mar 29, 2017, at 6:16 PM, Prior, Ian (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

You bet

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 29, 2017, at 6:09 PM, Winner, Ted **(b)(6)** wrote:

No, can you add me?

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 6:08 PM

To: Winner, Ted **Cc:** Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: Re: fox news inquiry time sensitive

Will do? Are you in our press list?

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 29, 2017, at 6:07 PM, Winner, Ted (b)(6) wrote:

Thanks Ian have a great night. Stay in touch.

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From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailt_(b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 6:00 PM

To: Winner, Ted

Subject: RE: fox news inquiry time sensitive

Attached. Pretty short

Ian D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

Offic (b)(6)

Cel (b)(6)

From: Winner, Ted [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:58 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: fox news inquiry - time sensitive

Thanks Ian

And can you tell me what 8 U.S.C. Section 1373 is?

From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailt_(b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:55 PM

To: Winner, Ted

Subject: FW: fox news inquiry time sensitive

Hey Ted,

Off the record, but that is a somewhat complex question to be able to answer and there will be more guidance on that in the future.

That said, this is what the Attorney General said on the issue during Monday's White House Press Conference: https://www.justice.gov/opa/speech/attorney-general-jeff-sessions-delivers-remarks-sanctuary-jurisdictions

lan D. Prior

Principal Deputy Director of Public Affairs

Offic (b)(6)
Cel (b)(6)

From: Press

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:51 PM
To: Prior, Ian (OPA) (b)(6)
Subject: FW: fox news inquiry - time sensitive

Thank you - Kristen

From: Winner, Ted [mailt (b)(6)

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Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:47 PM

To: press@usdoj.gov

Subject: fox news inquiry - time sensitive

Hi Kristen

Thank you for your help, we are under deadline, need within 45

Here's my question:

Are mayors of sanctuary cities breaking the law by bringing in and keeping illegal immigrants in their respective cities? And what specifically is that law? (article code, section)

Thank you

Ted Winner Fox News

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TITLE 8 - ALIENS AND NATIONALITY CHAPTER 12 - IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY SUBCHAPTER II - IMMIGRATION

Part IX - Miscellaneous

§ 1373. Communication between government agencies and the Immigration and Naturalization Service

(a) In general

Notwithstanding any other provision of Federal, State, or local law, a Federal, State, or local government entity or official may not prohibit, or in any way restrict, any government entity or official from sending to, or receiving from, the Immigration and Naturalization Service information regarding the citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual.

(b) Additional authority of government entities

Notwithstanding any other provision of Federal, State, or local law, no person or agency may prohibit, or in any way restrict, a Federal, State, or local government entity from doing any of the following with respect to information regarding the immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual:

- (1) Sending such information to, or requesting or receiving such information from, the Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- (2) Maintaining such information.
- (3) Exchanging such information with any other Federal, State, or local government entity.

(c) Obligation to respond to inquiries

The Immigration and Naturalization Service shall respond to an inquiry by a Federal, State, or local government agency, seeking to verify or ascertain the citizenship or immigration status of any individual within the jurisdiction of the agency for any purpose authorized by law, by providing the requested verification or status information.

(Pub. L. 104–208, div. C, title VI, § 642, Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–707.)

Codification

Section was enacted as part of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, and also as part of the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act, 1997, and not as part of the Immigration and Nationality Act which comprises this chapter.

Abolition of Immigration and Naturalization Service and Transfer of Functions

For abolition of Immigration and Naturalization Service, transfer of functions, and treatment of related references, see note set out under section 1551 of this title.

Murray, Andrew

From: Murray, Andrew

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:30 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: Interview Invitation for Attorney General Sessions

Thank you, happy to have him on at any time, we can tape it or have him join us LIVE on the weekday or weekend program.

Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:56 PM

To: Murray, Andrew (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Interview Invitation for Attorney General Sessions

Definitely interested in doing this at some point. Cant do this week but happy to look at another time when we have some cool stuff going on too.

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Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Murray, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 11:57 AM

T (b)(6)

Cc: Press@usdoj.gov

Subject: Interview Invitation for Attorney General Sessions

Hi Sarah,

Please let us know if we can schedule Attorney General Sessions to appear on "Fox & Friends" for a LIVE or taped interview. We would like to discuss his plans for the Justice Department and his leadership goals. We can host him for a LIVE interview via satellite or send an anchor to sit down with him in his office in Washington, DC or another location that works for his schedule.

Thanks in advance,

Andrew Murray
Producer, Politics
"Fox & Friends"
Fox News Channel
1211 Avenue of the Americas, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10036

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:29 PM

Conti Androwy Flores, Sarah Isgur (ORA)

To: Conti, Andrew; Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Cc: Dean, Matthew

Subject: RE: o'reilly crew contact for O'Reilly/AG Sessions interview tomorrow 3/30

Lovely! Thanks all.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:59 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Cc: Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: o'reilly crew contact for O'Reilly/AG Sessions interview tomorrow 3/30

Hi Sarah,

Matt Dean will take the lead on the logistics from tomorrow's interview with the AG. The crew will arrive tomorrow by approx 4:30p et. to begin setting up. The interview between Bill and AG Sessions will take place at 6:30pm (ish) from the DOJ Conference Center on the 7th floor. Very much appreciate the exclusive and have started promoting our interview with the AG on sanctuary cities already. I will check in with you in the late morning with more info. I am around on email if you have questions. the interview will air between 8p-9p et and 11p-midnight that same night (Thursday night) on the O'Reilly Factor.

Crew contact:

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer / Fox News Channel

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best, andrew

> Andrew P. Conti "The O'Reilly Factor" Fox News Channel

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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:18 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)

Subject:Re: tomorrows hitAttachments:SecureMessageAtt.html





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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 12:31 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: Re: o'reilly RE: call me (b)(6)

Looks like tomorrow could be best for all of us. 645? And ground rules for sanctuary cities/immigration related interview?

On Mar 29, 2017, at 12:28 PM, Conti, Andrew (b)(6) wrote:

Hi just talked to Bill O'R. we will make it work. Thanks very much.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt_b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 12:07 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: call me (b)(6)

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 11:56 AM

To: (b)(6) - Ian Mason

Subject: RE: Hello again from new email

Great!

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

----Original Message-----

From (b)(6) - Ian Mason [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 10:25 AM

T (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Hello again from new email

Sarah,

Just wanted to follow up now that my Breitbart email is set up. Let me know if there's anything I should send over in order to get credentials and so on.

Thanks again, Ian Mason DOJ Reporter, Breitbart News

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Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:45 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: O'Reilly this week

got it, thanks

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:26 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly this week

Also making sure you have text:



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ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS ANNOUNCING SANCTUARY JURISDICTIONS

Remarks as prepared for delivery

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Good afternoon. The Department of Justice has a duty to enforce our nation's laws, including our immigration laws. Those laws require us to promptly remove aliens when they are convicted of certain crimes.

The vast majority of the American people support this common-sense requirement. According to one recent poll, 80 percent of Americans believe that cities that arrest illegal immigrants for crimes should be required to turn them over to immigration authorities.

Unfortunately, some states and cities have adopted policies designed to frustrate the enforcement of our immigration laws. This includes refusing to detain known felons under federal detainer requests, 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 Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainer requests with respect to individuals charged or convicted of a serious crime. The charges and convictions against these aliens include drug trafficking, hit and run, rape, sex offenses against a child and even murder.

Such policies cannot continue. They make our nation less safe by putting dangerous criminals back on our streets.

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We all remember the tragic case of Kate Steinle, the 32-year-old woman who was shot and killed two years ago in San Francisco as she walked along a pier with her father. The shooter, Francisco Sanchez, was an illegal immigrant who had already been deported five times and had seven felony convictions.

Just eleven weeks before the shooting, San Francisco had released Sanchez from its custody, even though ICE had filed a detainer requesting that he be kept in custody until immigration authorities could pick him up for removal. Even worse, Sanchez admitted that the only reason he came to San Francisco was because of its sanctuary policies.

A similar story unfolded just last week, when Ever Valles, an illegal immigrant and Mexican national, was charged with murder and robbery of a man at a light rail station. Valles was released from a Denver jail in late December, despite the fact that ICE had lodged a detainer for his removal.

The American people are justifiably angry. They know that when cities and states refuse to help enforce immigration laws, our nation is less safe. Failure to deport aliens who are convicted for criminal offenses puts whole communities at risk especially immigrant communities in the very sanctuary jurisdictions that seek to protect the perpetrators.

DUIs, assaults, burglaries, drug crimes, gang crimes, rapes, crimes against children and murders. Countless Americans would be alive today and countless loved ones would not be grieving today if the policies of these sanctuary jurisdictions were ended.

Not only do these policies endanger the lives of every American; just last May, the Department of Justice Inspector General found that these policies also violate federal law.

The President has rightly said that this disregard for the law must end. In his executive order, he stated that it is the policy of the executive branch to ensure that states and cities comply with all federal laws, including our immigration laws.

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Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:22 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: O'Reilly this week

Got it-thanks for getting back so quickly.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt_(b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:21 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly this week

I think we'll stay low this week but will le you know if that changes

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:20 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: O'Reilly this week

Hi Sarah- if AG Sessions is talking sanctuary cities and more...here is our tape schedule for the week tonight live from 8p-9p et, Tuesday-Thursday, 5:45p-7p et. We may have flexibility for pretapes at other times as well. Just depends on the day.

Thank you. Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt b)(6)

Sent: Friday, March 24, 2017 8:33 AM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly next week

Yall are still on my radar! We haven't booked anything in the future as of now.

Sarah Isgur Flores

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Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 7:08 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)
Subject: RE: O'Reilly next week

Hi Sarah.

Bill was inquiring about next week....if there is any way you can ask the AG about next week works at some pt, it would be very much appreciated.

Thanks, don't mean to be a bother. Just looking forward to the interview.

All the best, andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 4:50 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly next week

Not to worry. We're on a bit of a hold here. So we may not do any tv next week. Will let you know when/if that changes.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 4:47 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: O'Reilly next week

Hi Sarah,

I am going to be out of the office tomorrow (Friday) so I wanted to put the two days in front of you that could potentially work for us next week regarding an interview with AG Sessions.

Options for an O'Reilly interview would be Tuesday, March 21 between 5:45p-7p et (could possible tape a bit earlier if needed) and Wednesday, March 22 between 5p-6p et (again, may be able to tape a few minutes earlier if needed). Not to be a bother, but since it's only two days, I wanted to let you know in advance.

Many thanks

andrew

Andrew P. Conti
"The O'Reilly Factor"
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Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Friday, March 24, 2017 9:13 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: O'Reilly next week

Thanks!

Much appreciated.

On Mar 24, 2017, at 8:33 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote



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Conti, Andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 4:51 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: O'Reilly next week

Copy- thanks!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 4:50 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly next week



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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 3:09 PM

To: Matthew Boyle Breitbar (b)(6) Ian Mason

Subject: RE: Sarah meet lan

Wonderful to meet you! Very glad to e-meet you. Let's stay in touch as we build out over here.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

----Original Message-----

From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 10:58 AM

T (b)(6) Ian Mason ; Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)

Subject: Sarah meet lan

Sarah,

lan Mason is our new Justice Department reporter. Wanted to introduce you guys. He's starting for Breitbart today.

lan: Sarah Flores is a longtime friend and the communications director for the great Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

Hopefully y'all can connect soon and let's try to get lan credentials and what not for DOJ press events and what not...

Thanks,

Matthew Boyle

Washington Political Editor, Breitbart News

Sent from my iPhone

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Matthew Boyle Breitbart

From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 3:12 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores **Subject:** On another front!

If sessions ready to do interview would love to do this week!!! Sanctuary city stuff today was great!

We have interviews w Pruitt and Zinke coming out this week and potentially Tillerson!

Sent from my iPhone

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Alex Pfeiffer

Alex Pfeiffer From: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:38 PM Sent: To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) Cc: (b)(6) - Ian Prior Subject: Re: Press Inquiry Okay thanks. On Mon, Mar 27, 2017 at 2:32 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: Off the record: we'll have more to come on this topic but for now I'll leave it at his statement today *** Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs (b)(6)From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 1:47 PM To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) Subject: Re: Press Inquiry Something did happen! Aha one question for clarification. AG Sessions mentioned ignoring detainers as being in violation of 8 usc 1373, however, that law is just about sharing the immigration status of detainees. Is it the DOJ's position that ignoring detainers is in violation of that statute? On Mon, Mar 27, 2017 at 11:35 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: Can't give you much more--but might have something this afternoon as a heads up! On Mar 21, 2017, at 2:55 PM, Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6) wrote: Okay thanks. I'd appreciate any exclusive lead time I could get on developments related to this.

Best, Alex Pfeiffer The Daily Caller On Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 2:40 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: I know this is a pain but I'm going to wait to define what all that term could encompass. I cant say for sure but off the record, I think youll have something by the end of the week. Maybe as soon as tomorrow. *** Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs (b)(6)From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2017 10:33 AM To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) Cc: Prior, Ian (OPA) (b)(6) **Subject:** Re: FW: Press Inquiry Okay. Could I just have clarification that the "appropriate enforcement action" against sanctuary jurisdictions referred to in the Jan. 25 executive order refers to cutting off federal grants? And do you have an estimation about how soon the DOJ will "have more on this?" Thanks, Alex Pfeiffer The Daily Caller On Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 9:42 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: Hey Alex

I know we'll have more on this soon. In the meantime, here's the AG's statement from last night:

Attorney General Jeff Sessions released the following statement on the DHS report included below:

"This important report demonstrates a clear and ongoing threat to public safety. It is not acceptable for jurisdictions to refuse to cooperate with federal law enforcement by releasing criminal aliens back into our communities when our law required them to be deported. The Department of Justice will use all lawful authority to ensure that criminals who are illegally in this country are detained and removed swiftly and to hold accountable jurisdictions that willfully violate federal law."

Sarah Isgur Flores

Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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From: Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6)

Date: March 20, 2017 at 11:58:54 PM EDT

To: "Carr, Peter (OPA)" (b)(6)

Subject: Re: Press Inquiry

Also do you have any clarification about what this portion of the executive order means? "The Attorney General shall take appropriate enforcement action against any entity that violates 8 U.S.C. 1373, or which has in effect a statute, policy, or practice that prevents or hinders the enforcement of Federal law." What does appropriate enforcement action consist of? Is that just in reference to stripping federal funds?

Thanks,

Alex Pfeiffer

Reporter

The Daily Caller

On Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 10:41 PM, Alex Pfeiffer

b)(6) wrote:

Hi Peter - Has the DOJ determined which jurisdictions are in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1373. and thus should be prohibited from receiving federal funds per President Trump's January executive order?

Thanks,

Alex Pfeiffer

Reporter

The Daily Caller

Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 1:55 PM

To: Prior, lan (OPA)

Subject: RE: ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS ANNOUNCING

SANCTUARY JURISDICTIONS

Thanks, Ian. So you have all of my contact information. See below.

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

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From: Prior, Ian (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

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To: Prior, Ian (OPA)

Subject: ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS ANNOUNCING SANCTUARY JURISDICTIONS



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Remarks as prepared for delivery

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Good afternoon. The Department of Justice has a duty to enforce our nation's laws, including our immigration laws. Those laws require us to promptly remove aliens when they are convicted of certain crimes.

The vast majority of the American people support this common-sense requirement. According to one recent poll, 80 percent of American believe that cities that arrest illegal immigrants for crimes should be required to turn them over to immigration authorities.

Unfortunately, some states and cities have adopted policies designed to frustrate the enforcement of our

immigration laws. This includes refusing to detain known felons under federal detainer requests, 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 Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainer requests with respect to individuals charged or convicted of a serious crime. The charges and convictions against these aliens include drug trafficking, hit and run, rape, sex offenses against a child and even murder.

Such policies cannot continue. They make our nation less safe by putting dangerous criminals back on our streets.

We all remember the tragic case of Kate Steinle, the 32-year-old woman who was shot and killed two years ago in San Francisco as she walked along a pier with her father. The shooter, Francisco Sanchez, was an illegal immigrant who had already been deported five times and had seven felony convictions.

Just eleven weeks before the shooting, San Francisco had released Sanchez from its custody, even though ICE had filed a detainer requesting that he be kept in custody until immigration authorities could pick him up for removal. Even worse, Sanchez admitted that the only reason he came to San Francisco was because of its sanctuary policies.

A similar story unfolded just last week, when Ever Valles, an illegal immigrant and Mexican national, was charged with murder and robbery of a man at a light rail station. Valles was released from a Denver jail in late December, despite the fact that ICE had lodged a detainer for his removal.

The American people are justifiably angry. They know that when cities and states refuse to help enforce immigration laws, our nation is less safe. Failure to deport aliens who are convicted for criminal offenses puts whole communities at risk—especially immigrant communities in the very sanctuary jurisdictions that seek to protect the perpetrators.

DUIs, assaults, burglaries, drug crimes, gang crimes, rapes, crimes against children and murders. Countless Americans would be alive today and countless loved ones would not be grieving today if the policies of these sanctuary jurisdictions were ended.

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Matthew Boyle Breitbart

Matthew Boyle Breitbart From: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 7:50 PM Sent: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) To: Subject: Re: Interview ??? Kk! Let me know!!!! Sent from my iPhone wrote: > On Mar 22, 2017, at 7:16 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) > We're laying low a little--but I hope we can do something soon. You know youre already top of my list:) > *** > Sarah Isgur Flores > Director of Public Affairs > > -----Original Message-----> From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart [mailt (b)(6) > Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 12:39 AM > To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6) > Subject: Interview ??? > > Can we get something on the books for AG Sessions interview???? > Sent from my iPhone

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 4:16 PM

To: Dean, Matthew Subject: RE: Sanctuary cities

Given the breaking news, we're going to push to tomorrow. I'll let you know if that changes.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Dean, Matthew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 4:14 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)

Subject: Sanctuary cities

Hi Sarah

Just wanted to check back with you about our conversation this morning.

Any update on the guidance we spoke about?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

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From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 5:56 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: O'Reilly this week?

Thanks, Sarah. Please keep us on your radar when you decide to do your next interview. Best,

apc

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 4:01 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly this week?

Will do. We aren't scheduling anything right now but if that changes, will let you know asap

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 2:44 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: O'Reilly this week?

Hi Sarah,

Just following up regarding your email from last week. You had mentioned that the AG might want to do this interview this week, but also said you weren't sure if you were going to do

anything this week. Best options for us (if you decided to do an interview) would be tomorrow (Tuesday) between 5:30-7pm or Wednesday between 5p-6p et. We might have some flexibility on these times but I would need to check. Please let me know when you can.

Thanks very much.

Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 7:17 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: Re: ((we are all set for pretape)) RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?

Ugh--I'm so sorry. He wants to do this next week now bc of our long day tomorrow.

On Mar 14, 2017, at 6:57 PM, Conti, Andrew (b)(6) wrote:

I just wanted to get everything in place so that we didn't run intro any logistical issues...please confirm interview when you can...time and location for AG Sessions.

I didn't want to run into any last minute problems setting this up technically if we can make this

happens. I also have Bill O'R's schedule open during that time. thanks

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt_(b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 5:41 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?

I know I am the most annoying person. And this is not how we will usually do things I'm supposed to go upstairs with the AG here in a few. Is there an earlier option to pretape in maybe the 6 or 7 hour?

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 3:59 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?

Hi Sarah,

Just got out of a meeting. I realize how busy you are...I wanted to update Bill about tomorrow.

Really hoping we can make an interview work.

Please let me know when you can.

Many thanks andrew

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 1:54 PM

To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)' **Subject:** O'Reilly tomorrow?

Hi Sarah,

Any chance for tomorrow, wed, live between 8p-9p et? Or possibly pretaped if we can make the time

work?

Please let me know when you get a chance. I just wanted to update Bill O'R.

Many thanks

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 4:39 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly ((latest on our schedule) RE: Follow up The O'Reilly Factor

Definitely wont be able to do tomorrow now. Still trying for Wednesday.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 3:32 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: O'Reilly ((latest on our schedule) RE: Follow up -The O'Reilly Factor

We are now live tomorrow Tuesday from 8p-9p et,

live wed, 8p-9p et,

5:45p-7p et taping on Thursday....

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 10:31 AM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: Re: Follow up The O'Reilly Factor

My computer has taken the day off so sorry for delay. I think both Tuesday and Wednesday are still both good options. Hoping to get a firm thumbs up down on scheduling this am.

On Mar 13, 2017, at 9:37 AM, Conti, Andrew (b)(6) wrote:

Hi Sarah.

Good morning. I don't mean to be a bother, realize how busy you are. We are going to have our meeting at 10:15am and was wondering if I could update Bill O'R at all regarding setting up the interview this week. The only change is we are now live this Wednesday from 8p to 9 p et. (We still may be able to tape this day if needed).

Today, Tuesday and Thursday is a 5:30p-7p et tape window, with the possibility of taping earlier if needed.

Thank very much.

Andrew

On Mar 10, 2017, at 3:56 PM, Conti, Andrew (b)(6) wrote:

Hi Sarah- just want to confirm that windows of avail are 5:30p-7p et Monday-Thursday on our end...

I know you are looking at Wednesday and we very much appreciate that...but if there is any chance Monday or Tuesday works, that would be terrific also. I can try and be as flexible as possible with tape times to accommodate.

Thursday is also an option for us. I'm keeping Bill O'R in the loop.

Thanks very much.

Best, apc

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 11:17 AM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: The O'Reilly factor Interview request

Can we talk Monday am about it? I think Wednesday might work.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 9:21 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: The O'Reilly factor - Interview request

We are taping from 6pm-7pm et et on Tuesday and Wednesday...we could also have a little flexibility on our end also if it needs to be earlier. We can set up the interview via satellite from DC or any other location. Thanks very much. Any idea when you might be able to confirm? Much appreciated/

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 9:14 AM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: The O'Reilly factor Interview request

He's flying to Alabama today...but next week is definitely a possibility. What time are yall taping on Tuesday and Wednesday do you think?

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 9:09 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: The O'Reilly factor - Interview request

Hi Sarah,

We can only put immigration into the mix if you decide to do any interviews next week. We are taping at 3pm et today if there is any last minute decisions to do interviews this week.

Many thanks for your consideration.

Best, Andrew

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 06, 2017 6:21 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: FW: The O'Reilly factor Interview request

At this point, we'll have to decline will let you know when he is available.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 2:56 PM

To: press@usdoj.gov

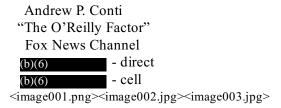
Subject: The O'Reilly factor - Interview request

Hello,

I am checking in to see if U.S. AG Sessions might be interested and available to join Bill O'Reilly in an interview on the O'Reilly Factor this week? We are taping our program today from 6-7p et, tomorrow (Tuesday) from 6p-7p et, Wednesday from 4p-5p et and Thursday from 3p-4p et. The show airs at both 8p and 11p et on the Fox news Channel. We would like to discuss news of the day, the wiretapping issue, Russia and more. I can certainly provide more detail if needed. We can set up the interview via satellite from DC if needed. I am available if you have further questions.

Thanks for your consideration.

All the Best, Andrew Conti



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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 10:29 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly Factor

We aren't going to do anything this week it looks like!

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 10:18 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: O'Reilly Factor

Hi Sarah.

Sorry to email so late. But if things change for tomorrow and you want to discuss Court ruling on travel ban, we are taping from 545p-645p et. if not, totally understand and we are looking forward to scheduling something for next week. Take care.

Best, apc

On Mar 14, 2017, at 7:33 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

Thank you. We are definitely looking forward to it!

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Conti, Andrew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 7:21 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: ((we are all set for pretape)) RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?

Ok, I understand. Thanks for the effort. Let me know when you are ready to discuss a day for next week...thanks for trying to make it happen. I will let Bill know.

As of now, Monday we are live from 8p-9p et. I will send you the rest of the schedule when I have it. let me know if certain days work better for u next week.

Thanks again.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 7:17 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: Re: ((we are all set for pretape)) RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?

Duplicative Material

From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 7:38 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: ((we are all set for pretape)) RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?

Thank u so are we.

If you pick a day, we can lock it in.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 7:33 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: ((we are all set for pretape)) RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?



From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 5:47 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?

Yes, we could pretape in the 7pm hour tomorrow and air it the following night on the Factor. Just talked to Bill about it. that will allow us to promote it as well.

Does that work? we could even do the 6pm hour if needed and it will air Thursday night. please let me know when you can. thanks

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 5:41 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly tomorrow?



From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 4:44 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: O'Reilly ((latest on our schedule) RE: Follow up -The O'Reilly Factor

Ok, got it. thanks.

Wednesday would be live between 8p-9p And Thursday we could tape between 5:45p-7p...maybe a bit earlier if needed Appreciate it

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 4:39 PM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: O'Reilly ((latest on our schedule) RE: Follow up The O'Reilly Factor



From: Conti, Andrew

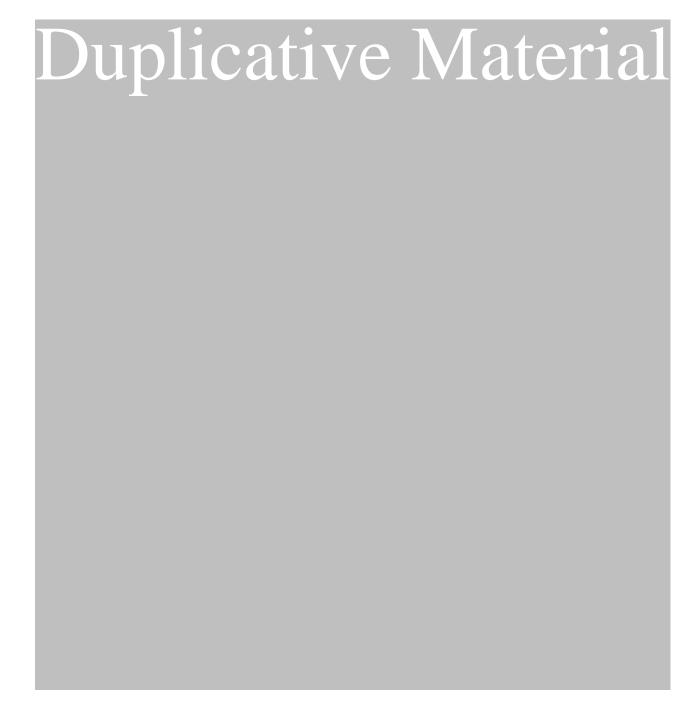
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 10:33 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: Follow up -The O'Reilly Factor

Thanks, much appreciated.

On Mar 13, 2017, at 10:31 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:



From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 11:18 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: The O'Reilly factor - Interview request

Yes. I will let Bill O'R know. thanks much

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 11:17 AM

To: Conti, Andrew

Subject: RE: The O'Reilly factor Interview request



From: Conti, Andrew

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 8:42 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: The O'Reilly factor - Interview request

Understood. Thanks for getting back. Please keep us on your radar for interviews. Best,
Andrew

On Mar 6, 2017, at 6:21 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:



Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 7:52 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Cc: Peter Carr

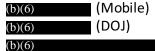
Subject: Re: AG Sessions meeting with major city police leaders today?

Thanks, Sarah

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel



@MattFirewall

On Mar 16, 2017, at 7:51 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

I can confirm the meeting. It is not open press.

On Mar 16, 2017, at 7:43 AM, Dean, Matthew **(b)(6)** wrote:

Hi Sarah and Peter -

My Chicago colleagues shared with me a local article claiming that the head of the Chicago PD will be sitting down with AG Sessions today along with Chiefs of other large departments.

Could you confirm this? Will any of this be open press?

We were given this information (below) by our Chicago affiliate.

Thanks,

Matt

This morning Supt Johnson is joining a group of major city police chiefs in Washington to meet with the Attorney General on how the federal government can help target violence in urban areas. He will be bringing officials on the situation here in Chicago and asking for:

 More federal prosecutors detailed to Chicago to focus on prosecution of felon in possession of illegal gun cases.

- More agents from ATF, DEA and FBI so we can create additional CPD task forces in active districts to interdict guns and focus enforcement on gangs and gun crime.
- Having ATF set up a NIBIN lab here in Chicago (like they have in Denver) so
 we can build stronger gun cases by processing evidence from shootings and
 tracing guns faster.
- Refocusing the federal High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Agency around targeting gun crimes and violence.
- Resources for programs to expand Mayor's mentoring, economic development and community building efforts.

The meeting with the Chiefs is expected to begin at 11am and last a few hours.

On Friday the Superintendent will be meeting with Rod Rosenstein, the nominee for Deputy Attorney General who was successful in imemting a targeted federal gun prosecution program known as PROJECT EXILE in Maryland. EXILE was credited in reducing the murder count in Baltimore from 282 in 2007 to 196 in 2011.

Rosenstein has a track record of building effective partnerships with state and local police agencies to implement strategies to target gun crime. He is a crimefighter and will be instrumental for DOJ as they assist cities like Chicago and others grapple with rising gun violence.

Matt Dean

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(b)(6) (Mobile) (b)(6) (DOJ)

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Kerry Picket

From: Kerry Picket

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 11:06 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: Schumer

Here's the piece:

 $\underline{\text{http://www.caribbeannewsnow.com/headline-Commentary\%3A-The-real-reason-New-York-US-Attorney-Preet-Bharara-was-asked-to-resign-33774.html}$

Let me know if I'm jumping down a rabbit hole.

On Wed, Mar 15, 2017 at 11:00 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: Sure! Though doubt I would know much.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

----Original Message-----

From: Kerry Picket [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 10:54 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)

Subject: Schumer

Do you have time to talk Thursday about him? I'm curious about a claim a writer is making about him.

Kerry Picket Reporter The Daily Caller www.dailycaller.com

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Kerry Picket Reporter



Ross, Lee

From: Ross, Lee

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:55 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS ON EFFORTS TO

COMBAT VIOLENT CRIME AND RESTORE PUBLIC SAFETY BEFORE FEDERAL, STATE

AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Copy that. What a crazy day here in Hawaii. We will back up at 0900 eastern for follow ups.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 15, 2017, at 3:52 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

Roger. Could be something good coming in a few months.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Ross, Lee [mailt (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 10:19 AM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)

Subject: Fwd: ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS ON EFFORTS TO COMBAT

VIOLENT CRIME AND RESTORE PUBLIC SAFETY BEFORE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAW

ENFORCEMENT

Aloha from Honolulu!

This is the sort of event we had in mind to tie to an interview with AG Sessions. On border issues. Out west. You have a better sense of the calendar and what's what. Lee

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" < <u>USDOJ-</u>

Office.of.Public.Affairs@usdoj.gov>

Date: March 15, 2017 at 4:07:29 AM HST

To: "USDOJ-Office of Public Affairs (SMO)" < USDOJ-

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Subject: ATTORNEY GENERAL JEFF SESSIONS DELIVERS REMARKS ON EFFORTS TO COMBAT VIOLENT CRIME AND RESTORE PUBLIC SAFETY REFORE FEDERAL STATE AND LOCAL LAW

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Remarks as prepared for delivery

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Good morning, everyone. I want to begin by thanking Dana [Boente] for coming down to Richmond and introducing me today. Dana is currently wearing two hats, serving as acting Deputy Attorney General while also continuing to serve as your U.S. Attorney here in the Eastern District of Virginia. I'm grateful for his outstanding service in both roles.

I also want to welcome the many federal, state and local law enforcement leaders who have joined us. Thank you for everything you and your people do. I look forward to meeting with you this morning.

All of us who work in law enforcement want to keep people safe. That is the heart of our jobs; it is what drives us every day. So we are all disturbed to learn that violent crime is on the rise in America, especially in our cities. And that is what I want to talk about with you today.

First, we should keep in mind some context. Overall, crime rates in our country remain near historic lows. Murder rates are half of what they were in 1980. The rate of violent crime has fallen by almost half from its peak.

The people of Richmond have seen this progress firsthand. Since 1995, murder and violent crime rates in Richmond have fallen by two-thirds. You have watched neighborhoods that were once in the grip of gangs and drugs transformed into places where kids can play and parents can take walks after sunset without fear.

In the past four decades, we have won great victories against crime in America. This happened under leadership from both political parties, and thanks above all to the work of prosecutors and good police using data-driven methods and professional training. Hundreds of thousands of Americans are alive today as a result.

But in the last two years, we've seen warning signs that this progress is now at risk.

The latest FBI data tell us that from 2014 to 2015, the violent crime rate in the U.S. increased by more than 3 percent the largest one-year increase since 1991. The murder rate increased 10 percent the largest increase since 1968. And all of this is taking place amid an unprecedented epidemic of heroin and opioid abuse.

If this was just a one-year spike in violent crime, we might not worry too much. But the preliminary data for the first half of 2016 confirmed these trends. The number of violent crimes in the first half of last year was more than 5 percent higher than the same period in 2015. The number of murders was also up 5 percent, and aggravated assaults rose as well. Since 2014, the murder rate has gone up in 27 of our country's 35 largest cities. Homicide rates in Chicago, Baltimore, Milwaukee and Memphis have returned to levels not seen in two decades. Here in Richmond, the preliminary murder total for 2016 was 44 percent higher than the year before.

These numbers should trouble all of us. Behind all the data are real people whose safety and lives are at stake people like the good folks whose stories I will hear later this morning. Each victim of this recent spike in violent crime is someone's parent, or child, or friend. And every loss of a young life to guns or drugs is a tragedy we must work to prevent.

My fear is that this surge in violent crime is not a "blip," but the start of a dangerous new trend. I worry that we risk losing the hard-won gains that have made America a safer and more prosperous place.

While we can hope for the best, we can't afford to be complacent. When crime rates move in the wrong direction, they can move quickly.

We know this, because those of us above a certain age have lived it. In the early 1960s, crime began to rise in our country. By 1973, crime rates in almost every category had doubled over their levels just a decade before. As the '70s went on, levels of crime and violence that we once deemed unacceptably high became the "new normal" in America.

I lived through that dark time in our history. I dealt with its consequences every day as a prosecutor. And I can assure you: We do not want to go back to those days. We must act decisively at all levels federal, state and local to reverse this rise in violent crime and keep our people safe.

Last month the President gave us clear direction, issuing three executive orders that direct the federal government to reduce crime and restore public safety. This task will be a top priority of the Department of Justice during my time as Attorney General. I'd like to talk briefly about how we're tackling this challenge.

First, we're making sure the federal government focuses our resources and

efforts on this surge in violent crime. Two weeks ago, I announced the formation of a Department of Justice Task Force on Crime Reduction and Public Safety. It includes crime reduction experts from throughout the Department of Justice, including the heads of the FBI, the ATF, the DEA and the U.S. Marshals Service. The task force will evaluate everything we are doing at the federal level.

Second: We need to use every lawful tool we have to get the most violent offenders off our streets.

In recent years, we have seen a significant shift in the priority given to prosecuting firearms offenders at the federal level. This trend will end. This Department of Justice will systematically prosecute criminals who use guns in committing crimes.

Last week, I sent a memo to all our federal prosecutors, urging them to work closely with their federal, state, and local law enforcement partners to target the most violent offenders in their districts. Working together, we will determine which venue federal or state would best take these criminals off our streets immediately, and ensure they are properly punished for their crimes.

Here in Richmond, you have given us an excellent model for how we can lock up violent criminals and reduce crime.

During the spike in violent crime in the late '80s and early '90s, Richmond consistently had one of the top ten per-capita murder rates among American cities. In response, federal prosecutors worked with state and local law enforcement in 1997 to launch an innovative program called Project Exile. Its goal was to deter felons from carrying firearms, and to take off the streets those who were mostly likely to commit gun violence: criminals with guns.

Over the decade that followed, murders and armed robberies in Richmond declined dramatically. A study published in the journal Criminology & Public Policy credited Project Exile with the reduction in gun homicides in Richmond.

This Department of Justice will encourage more efforts like Project Exile in cities across America coordinated strategies that bring together all levels of law enforcement to reduce gun crime and make our cities safer.

Third: To turn back this rising tide of violent crime, we need to confront the heroin and opioid crisis in our nation and dismantle the transnational cartels that bring drugs and violence into our neighborhoods.

Our nation is in the throes of a heroin and opioid epidemic. Overdose deaths more than tripled between 2010 and 2014. According to the CDC, about 140 Americans on average now die from a drug overdose each day. That means every three weeks, we are losing as many American lives to drug overdoses as we lost in the 9/11 attacks.

Illegal drugs are flooding across our southern border and into cities across our country, bringing violence, addiction, and misery. We have also seen an increase in the trafficking of new, low-cost heroin by Mexican drug cartels working with local street gangs. As the market for this heroin expands, gangs fight for territory and new customers and neighborhoods are caught in the crossfire.

There are three main ways to fight the scourge of drugs: criminal enforcement, treatment and prevention.

Criminal enforcement is essential to stop both the transnational cartels that ship drugs into our country, and the thugs and gangs who use violence and extortion to move their product. One of the President's executive orders directed the Justice Department to dismantle these organizations and gangs and we will do just that.

Treatment programs are also vital. But treatment often comes too late to save people from addiction or death.

So we need to focus on the third way we can fight drug use: preventing people from ever taking drugs in the first place.

I realize this may be an unfashionable belief in a time of growing tolerance of drug use. But too many lives are at stake to worry about being fashionable. I reject the idea that America will be a better place if marijuana is sold in every corner store. And I am astonished to hear people suggest that we can solve our heroin crisis by legalizing marijuana—so people can trade one life-wrecking dependency for another that's only slightly less awful. Our nation needs to say clearly once again that using drugs will destroy your life.

In the '80s and '90s, we saw how campaigns stressing prevention brought down drug use and addiction. We can do this again. Educating people and telling them the terrible truth about drugs and addiction will result in better choices. We can reduce the use of drugs, save lives and turn back the surge in crime that inevitably follows in the wake of increased drug abuse.

Finally: The federal government alone cannot meet the challenge of violent crime and drugs—so we need to protect and support our brave men and women in law enforcement. About 85 percent of all law enforcement officers in our nation are not federal, but state and local. These are the men and women on the front lines—the ones doing most of the tough and often dangerous work that keeps our neighborhoods safe.

Unfortunately, in recent years law enforcement as a whole has been unfairly maligned and blamed for the unacceptable deeds of a few bad actors. Too many of our officers, deputies, and troopers believed the political leadership of this country abandoned them. Amid this intense public scrutiny and criticism, their morale has gone down, while the number of police officers killed in the line of duty has gone up.

Many of you who are law enforcement leaders have also told us that in this age of viral videos and targeted killings of police, something has changed in policing. Some law enforcement personnel are more reluctant to get out of their squad cars and do the proactive, up-close police work that builds trust and prevents violent crime. In some cities, arrests have fallen even as murder rates have surged.

This is a terrible place to be, because we know that tough and professional law enforcement can make a real difference. It can reduce crime and save lives. We've seen it happen in our country over the past four decades.

To turn back rising crime, we must rely heavily on all of you in state and local law enforcement to lead the way and you must know that you have our steadfast support. The federal government should use its money, research, and expertise to help you figure out what is happening and determine the best ways to fight crime. We should strengthen partnerships between federal and state and local officers. And we should encourage the proactive policing that keeps our neighborhoods safe. This Department of Justice will do just that.

The new challenge of violent crime in our nation is real and the task that lies before us is clear. We need to resist the temptation to ignore or downplay this crisis. Instead, we must tackle it head-on, to ensure justice and safety for all Americans.

We will enforce our laws and put bad men behind bars. We will fight the scourge of drug abuse. And we will support the brave men and women of law enforcement, as they work day and night to protect us.

Together, let us act to meet this challenge, so that our children will not look back and say that we let slip from our grasp all we had done to make America a safer place.

Thank you for having me here in Richmond today. I look forward to talking with you all and learning from you.

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Alex Pfeiffer

Alex Pfeiffer From: Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 10:36 AM Carr, Peter (OPA) To: Subject: Re: Sessions in Richmond tomorrow Thanks. On Wed, Mar 15, 2017 at 10:13 AM, Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6) https://www.justice.gov/opa/speech/attorney-general-jeff-sessions-delivers-remarks-efforts-combatviolent-crime-and-restore On Mar 15, 2017, at 10:03 AM, Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6) wrote: Thanks. I appreciate it. Sent from my iPhone On Mar 15, 2017, at 7:54 AM, Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: It will not be live streamed. We will issue his prepared remarks and I'll provide those to you. On Mar 15, 2017, at 12:08 AM, Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6) wrote: Hi Peter - Will this event be livestreamed? If not could I get ahold of his remarks? I have something planned tomorrow which won't allow me to get to Richmond. Thanks, Alex Pfeiffer Reporter The Daily Caller

Sent from my iPhone

Maltas, Mike

From: Maltas, Mike

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 3:20 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Cc: Joost, Nathalie; Dukeman, Paige

Subject: RE: Fox News RSVP: AG Sessions speech in Richmond, March 15

Richard Cockerham, and he will have both. Thank you.

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 3:05 PM

To: Maltas, Mike

Cc: Joost, Nathalie; Dukeman, Paige

Subject: RE: Fox News RSVP: AG Sessions speech in Richmond, March 15

Thank you. IF you can send me the name of the person attending, that would be helpful. Please make sure he/she brings a photo ID and a media credential.

From: Maltas, Mike [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 2:43 PM

T (b)(6)

Cc: Joost, Nathalie (b)(6)

Dukeman, Paige (b)(6)

Subject: Fox News RSVP: AG Sessions speech in Richmond, March 15

Mr. Carr,

Fox News Channel is planning to send a one-man crew to cover tomorrow's event (below) in Richmond, VA. We see the timeline for sweep/final access, please let know if you need any additional information or have more detail for us.

Thank you

Mike Maltas
Fox News Channel
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***** MEDIA ADVISORY *****

ATTORNEY GENERAL SESSIONS TO TRAVEL TO RICHMOND, VA

WASHINGTON - Attorney General Jeff Sessions will travel to Richmond, Va., on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017, to

speak with federal, state and local law enforcement about efforts to combat violent crime and restore public safety.

WHO: Attorney General Jeff Sessions

WHAT: Speech to federal, state and local law enforcement partners.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017

10:00 a.m. EST

WHERE: SunTrust Building

919 E. Main St. Richmond, VA 23219 4th Floor Auditorium OPEN PRESS

(Camera Preset by for K9 Sweep: 9:15 a.m. EST // Final Access: 9:40 a.m. EST)

NOTE: All media must RSVP and present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver's license as well as valid media credentials). The RSVP and any inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to Peter Carr in the Office of Public Affairs at 202 514-2007 (b)(6)

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Chakraborty, Barnini

From: Chakraborty, Barnini

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 11:40 AM

To: (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Fox News comment request (on deadline)

Hi Sarah,

I am a reporter for FoxNews.com and am writing a story about the Trump administration's latest push to privatize federal prisons.

In my story, I address critics' claims that for-profit prisons have a cozy relationship with the Trump administration specifically, Attorney General Sessions and two of his former aides who are now lobbyists for one of the largest private prisons in the country.

I also address concerns brought by the ACLU, that argues pro-profit motives introduce questionable incentives and that the less a prison spends per inmate on things like health care, upkeep and security, the more it can make monetarily. The ACLU also questions the relationship Sessions has with GEO Group. I was hoping to get a comment from the AG's office to these allegations. I can be reached via email a (b)(6)

Thank you, Barnini Chakraborty

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Gomez, Serafin

From: Gomez, Serafin

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 12:09 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: Btw

Thank you Sarah!

Serafin Gomez

White House Producer



> On Mar 13, 2017, at 11:20 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

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> You are now!

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

> From: Gomez, Serafin [mailt (b)(6)

> Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 10:49 AM

> T (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

> Subject: Btw

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> Hello!!

> Can you add me to your press list? Am I on it?

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> Serafin Gomez

> White House Producer

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 11:43 AM

To: (b)(6) - Serafin Gomez

Subject: FW: DOJ press list

We only have 3 Fox folks on our press list, which is totally fine. But want to make sure there aren't other people who want to be on. Any guess on how best to figure that out? Certainly don't want to miss any stellar folks who are just dying to know what's going on over here.

S

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 10:58 AM

Subject: DOJ press list

If you or anyone from your outlet would like to be on the Department of Justice Office of Public Affairs press list, please email me a list with names and email addresses by COB. This press list will receive statements, schedules, and speeches from the Attorney General as well as news of the day from the Department.

If you are not the appropriate contact, please forward it within your team to send me a list.

Thank you, Sarah

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

Limbaugh, Christen

From: Limbaugh, Christen

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 10:16 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: Can you give me a call re meeting here?

Hi Sarah,

Just gave you a buzz. Let me know what time is convenient for you today to discuss. I appreciate your help with this!

Best,

Christen

Christen Limbaugh

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 9:54 AM

To: Limbaugh, Christen

Subject: Re: Can you give me a call re meeting here?

Checking in on this. Want to facilitate Sean's request with the Attorney General but have some questions.

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

To (b)(6) - Christen Limbaugh

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 5:45 PM

Subject: Can you give me a call re meeting here?

(b)(6)

Sarah Isgur Flores
Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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Dean, Matthew			
From:	Dean, Matthew		
Sent:	Thursday, Marc		
To:	Flores, Sarah Isg		
Subjects	Re· ΔCI II Δlaha		

Thurs	sday,	March	9, 2017	8:57	PM
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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) Re: ACLU Alabama Bar Letter

Thanks

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

■ (Mobile) (b)(6)(DOJ) (b)(6)(b)(6)

@MattFirewall

On Mar 9, 2017, at 8:05 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

wrote:

I'd refer you to his letter to the senate judiciary!

On Mar 9, 2017, at 6:59 PM, Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

wrote:

Hi Sarah -

We just got ahold of a complaint that the ACLU sent the Alabama State Bar today. The complaint, per ACLU's letter, is in regard to AG Sessions' testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee 1/10 when asked about Russian contacts.

Has the AG received this letter? Any reaction from him or the Justice Department on this complaint?

Thanks,

Matt

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Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer Fox News Channel

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A LAWYER

Return your completed form to:

Alabama State Bar Disciplinary Commission P. O. Box 671 Montgomery, AL 36101-0671

NAME AND ADDRESS OF ATTORNEY
AGAINST WHOM YOUR COMPLAINT IS
MADE
St. Mileston
Sessions, Jefferson Beauregard
Last Name, First Name
2000 E
U.S. Department of Justice
Name of Law Firm Where Attorney is Employed
Robert F. Kennedy Building, 10th Street and
Constitution Ave., NW
Address
Washington, D.C. 20530
City, State, ZIP Code
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
(202) 514-2000
Telephone Number(s)
_Jan. 10, 2017
None

COMPLAINT INSTRUCTIONS:

- If you have a complaint against more than one attorney, use a SEPARATE complaint form for each
 attorney, with the details and relevant exhibits attached to each separate complaint. If you are filing more
 than one complaint, do not combine your complaint details or your exhibits into one document, or make a
 specific comment about a complaint filed against another attorney, or it will be returned to you. We will not
 accept complaints against law firms.
- 2. Send your complaint with an original notarized signature. We will not accept a copy of your signature,
- 3. State specifically, on each individual complaint, what the attorney did or failed to do which you believe constitutes unethical conduct, and when it occurred.
- Attach COPIES of any receipts, contracts, or other documents which are important to the complaint, to the back of each individual complaint. Keep your own original documents.
- 5. Please, do not bind your complaint. Type or write your complaint legibly in ink so it can be copied.
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- 7. If you believe that drugs, alcohol or mental disability affected the lawyer's representation, please state what facts support your belief.
- This matter is confidential at this stage of the proceedings, until the Disciplinary Commission or Board has acted.

9. The Alabama Bar Association does not represent you in this matter but acts to investigate complaints on behalf of the Supreme Court of Alabama.

If there is a court case related to your complaint, please provide the case name and file number, and the lawyer representing you?

N/A	

DETAILS OF YOUR COMPLAINT

Explain your complaint in your own words. Include the following: all important dates, times, places, and court file numbers. Please be advised we <u>cannot return documents</u> submitted to this office. You should retain a copy of all materials you submit. Do not send cassette tapes unless requested by the Bar to do so. The Alabama State Bar cannot be held responsible for lost, misdirected or damaged documents.

On behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union, I am filing this complaint against Jefferson Beauregard Sessions, who is admitted to practice law in the State of Alabama, and has been a member of the Alabama Bar since 1973. Mr. Sessions is the Attorney General of the United States, and violated Rule 8.4 of the Alabama Rules of Professional Conduct. Mr. Sessions made false statements during sworn testimony on January 10, 2017, and in a subsequent written response to questions on January 17, 2017. I urge the Bar to investigate this complaint, and take any appropriate disciplinary action against Mr. Sessions.

During a hearing considering the nomination of Mr. Sessions for the position of Attorney General before the Unites States Senate Judiciary Committee, Mr. Sessions was asked by Senator Al Franken whether or not "anyone affiliated with the Trump campaign" had communicated with the Russian government. Mr. Sessions testified that, "I have been called a surrogate at a time or two in that campaign and I did not have communications with the Russians." The full hearing transcript is attached to this complaint as Exhibit A, and a video recording of the hearing is available at https://www.c-span.org/video/?420932-1/attorney-general-nominee-jeff-sessions-testifies-confirmation-hearing and https://www.c-span.org/video/?420932-101/attorney-general-nominee-jeff-sessions-testifies-confirmation-hearing.

One week later, on January 17, 2017, Mr. Sessions submitted his written responses to Senator Patrick Leahy's questions for the record. Senator Leahy asked: "Several of the President Elect's nominees or senior advisers have Russian ties. Have you been in contact with anyone connected to any part of the Russian government about the 2016 election, either before or after election day?" (emphasis in original). Senator Sessions wrote a one-word response: "No." The full written submission by Mr. Sessions is attached to this complaint as Exhibit B.

Contradicting Mr. Sessions' clear statement that "I did not have communications with the Russians" and his subsequent written statement, the Washington Post reported on March 1, 2017 that Mr. Sessions had met twice last year with Russian Ambassador to the United States, Sergey Kislyak, including a private meeting in Mr. Sessions' Washington office in September. In a statement issued later the same day, Attorney General Sessions did not dispute that the meetings took place, but instead stated that he did not discuss the campaign with the ambassador. He reiterated this characterization during a press conference on March 2, 2017, stating that, "I never had meetings with Russian operatives or Russian intermediaries about the Trump campaign." Articles from the Washington Post are attached to this complaint as Exhibits C and D.

Rule 8.4(c) of the Alabama Rules of Professional Conduct states that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to "engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation." Specific to Mr. Sessions' position as a United States Senator at the time of his false statement and his current position as the Attorney General of the United States, the Comment to Rule 8.4 provides, "Lawyers holding public office assume legal responsibilities going beyond those of other citizens. A lawyer's abuse of public office can suggest an inability to fulfill the professional role of attorney." Notwithstanding the later unsworn statements from Mr. Sessions more than a month after the hearing, the report of meetings between Mr. Sessions and the Russian ambassador does not square with Mr. Sessions' sworn testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee, particularly where he stated, specifically: "I did not have communications with the Russians." I urge the Alabama Bar to investigate this complaint and the statements made by Mr. Sessions to determine whether he violated the Alabama Rules of Professional Conduct.

I stand ready to provide the Bar any additional information necessary for its investigation.

The attorney you are filing the complaint against will receive a copy of your complaint, and may be asked to respond to your allegations.

I hereby certify that the information I am providing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I will voluntarily appear and testify to the facts in the complaint if called upon by the Alabama State Bar.

Name (signature)

Date:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

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[SEAL]

Nestande, Francesca

From: Nestande, Francesca

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 11:26 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: AG Reducing Violent Crime 5-city tour

Amazing – thank you! I will be in touch soon about his.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 11:16 AM

To: Nestande, Francesca (b)(6)

Subject: AG Reducing Violent Crime 5-city tour

This is very much in the planning stages so I would ask this stay close hold.

The AG is going to visit major US cities that have been plagued by violent crime to meet with law enforcement, victims, and prosecutors. At this point, the cities could be places like St Louis, Baltimore, Chicago, New Orleans, and Oakland starting March 31.

A typical trip would include a larger venue with remarks to a law enforcement audience, including local police, sheriffs, FOP, us attorneys, etc (this could be more of a town hall setting). Followed by a smaller roundtable with select leadership to discuss what's working and where they need help. Then a meeting with victims' families (this has typically been off the record but could depend on the families). It could also include a tour of a facility or a place of particular interest in crime reduction.

We would like to do some local radio and pretape local tv for their nightly news as well. Aside from that, it would be exclusive to Sean.

Let us know what you think. SIF

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

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Chuck Ross

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Chuck Ross Thursday, March 9, 2017 10:44 AM Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) Re: Press List Daily Caller
Thanks, I'll start ther	e
On Thursday, March	9, 2017, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:
	am. I'm not actually sure of the answers to your questions, though. I believe his lawyer reached st bet would be to start with him.

Sarah Isgur Flores	
Director of Public Affa	airs
(b)(6)	
From: Chuck Ross [m Sent: Thursday, Marc To: Flores, Sarah Isgu Subject: Re: Press List	ch 9, 2017 10:37 AM r (OPA) (b)(6)
You're welcome.	
night. I'm trying to	I'm reporting on the Michael Flynn disclosures to the Justice Department from last find out why he decided to disclose all of this when he did and if there was some sort of r the White House, etc.
Is that something I o	could call you about to discuss, or is this better directed to someone else?
Thank you	

On Thu, Mar 9, 2017 at 8:34 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote: Wow great! Thanks for pulling this together! *** Sarah Isgur Flores **Director of Public Affairs** (b)(6)From: Chuck Ross [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 9:21 AM To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) (b)(6) Subject: Press List -- Daily Caller Hi Sarah, Here are the people from The Daily Caller and our non-profit side, The Daily Caller News Foundation, who want to be on the press list. Thank you very much. Chuck Ross (b)(6) Christian Datoc (b)(6) Eric Owens (b)(6) Kaitlan Collin (b)(6) Peter Hasson (b)(6) Kerry Pickett (b)(6) Alex Pfeiffer (b)(6) Paul Conner (b)(6) Vince Coglianese (b)(6) Betsy Rothstein (b)(6)

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Richard Pollock (b) (6)
Christopher Bedford (b)(6)
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Katie Watson (b)(6)
Rachel Stolzfoos (b)(6)
Saagar Enjet (b)(6)
Jonah Bennet (b)(6)
Russ Read (b)(6)
Geoffrey Ingersoll (b)(6)
Regards,
Chuck Ross
The Daily Caller
(b)(6)

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 10:42 AM

To: Nestande, Francesca

Cc: Limbaugh, Christen; Bryant, Errical (OAG); McKinney, Suzanna (OAG)

Subject: RE: Hannity- Sessions

I've included Errical and Suzanna from the AG's office who can discuss scheduling.

S

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Nestande, Francesca [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 9:34 AM

T (b)(6)

Cc: Limbaugh, Christen (b)(6) **Subject:** Hannity- Sessions

Hi Sarah!

I have cc'ed Sean's assistant Christen to firm up details regarding the AG and Sean's lunch Monday. Please connect her with the correct person on your end.

Thank you! Francesca

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Nestande, Francesca

From: Nestande, Francesca

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 8:51 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Attorney General

Hi Sara-I am a producer for sean feel free to email your idea or call me at the number below!

Francesca Nestande

(b)(6)

On Mar 9, 2017, at 8:48 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

Alyssa's out of office sent me to your address. I'm hoping to talk with a producer for Sean's show about an idea we had over here for the Attorney General. Any suggestions of who I can talk to this morning?

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 8:39 AM

To: (b)(6) - Alyssa Moni

Subject: Are you still booking for Hannity?

If so, can you give me a call this am?

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

Ross, Lee

From: Ross, Lee

Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 5:14 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: Hello (Again)

Awesome. Our office is in Los Angeles. But we cover the western U.S. I was with William in North Dakota covering the pipeline protest. In Hawaii covering 44. And of course all of the southern border too.

I suspect any trip out this way will be quite involved on your part. We can easily meet up when/wherever makes most sense for all. Emphasis on flexibility this way.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 5:06 PM

To: Ross, Lee

Subject: RE: Hello (Again)

You bet. Where are yall based?

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Sarah Isgur Flore (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 4:38 PM To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: Fwd: Hello (Again)

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From: Ross, Lee (b)(6)

Date: Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 3:35 PM

Subject: Hello (Again)

To: Sarah Isgur Flor (b)(6)

I trust all is going well for you at Main Justice. I filled in there for Fox years ago before moving out west. I'm sure Mat t Dean is treating you well.

Anyway.... The reason I'm reaching out is that I wanted to start a dialogue with you about meeting up with AG Sessio ns for an interview when he makes a border trip out west. Whether that's a meeting with USA's or ATF out here -- or a speech -- or an actual border tour.... Or whatever is on your calendar. I'd like to be able coordinate for an interview with our expert immigration reporter William LaJeunesse.

He's not a campaign warrior so you may not have met him yet but I work with him here in our western office and he's absolutely first rate. Please bug me back any/all questions. Lee

Here are some of the issues on our mind:

- ***Future of Operation Streamline
- ***Backlog of immigration court cases
- ***Rules on asylum seekers & catch/release
- ***Prosecuting smugglers under child trafficking statutes
- ***Response to ongoing intransigence from Sanctuary city/states
- ***Fast & Furious follow up. What the new admin means to this old issue

Here are some links to William's work.

http://video.foxnews.com/v/5346533158001/?#sp_show-clips

http://video.foxnews.com/v/5323408113001/?#sp show-clips

http://video.foxnews.com/v/5126561454001/?#sp_show-clips

Lee Ross Producer Fox News Western Bureau



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Sarah Isgur Flores

(b)(6)

@whignewtons

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 12:19 PM

To: Matthew Boyle Breitbart

Subject: RE: Obama administration efforts to obtain info on companies then President-elect

Trump had met with?

He is a career staff member in the office of public affairs. So not a political appointee.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart [mail (b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 11:03 AM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)

Subject: Fwd: Obama administration efforts to obtain info on companies then President-elect Trump had met with?

Dude this guy is an Obama holdover. His LinkedIn page has him there since October 2015.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Abueg, Mark (OPA)" (b)(6)

Date: March 7, 2017 at 10:10:17 AM EST

To: (b)(6) - Matthew Boyle (b)(6)

Cc: "Simotes, Jenna A. (OPA)" (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Obama administration efforts to obtain info on companies then President-elect

Trump had met with?

Matthew,

Thank you for your email below. Sarah kindly shared it with me as I cover the Antitrust Division.

In response to your inquiry, DOJ declines to comment.

Best,

Mark

Mark Abueg
Public Affairs Specialist
U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Public Affairs

Office: (b)(6)
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Email: (b)(6)
Website: www.justice.gov

Fro (b)(6) - Matthew Boyle $[\underline{\mathsf{mail}}_{\mathsf{d}}(\mathsf{b})(6)]$

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 4:58 PM

T (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Obama administration efforts to obtain info on companies then President-elect Trump had met with?

Sarah,

I've heard from very good sources that the antitrust division in the DOJ at the very end of the Obama administration sent letters to Time Warner, AT&T, Monsanto and/or Bayer, among potentially other companies that then President-elect Trump or his transition team was meeting with, requesting all communications/presentations/etc between the principals (Trump/the CEOs) and/or their teams.

Obviously, the then president-elect and his transition team were meeting with these different companies to discuss a variety of priorities for business and economic development (including potential mergers between AT&T/Time Warner and Monsanto/Bayer) for the incoming administration.

If what I'm hearing is accurate, and again the existence of these letters is from very solid sources on this matter, then this is very troubling in that it is yet another sign of the previous administration on its way out potentially abusing the power of government to create stumbling blocks and interfere with the incoming administration and the peaceful transition of power to President Trump and this new administration.

Is there any way to get a hold of these letters? Or confirm the existence of them?

Thanks, Matthew Boyle Washington Political Editor, Breitbart News

Matthew Boyle Breitbart

From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 5:17 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: Obama administration efforts to obtain info on companies then President-elect

Trump had met with?

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 6, 2017, at 5:14 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

I'm looking into this.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From (b)(6) - Matthew Boyle [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 4:58 PM

T (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Obama administration efforts to obtain info on companies then President-elect Trump had met with?

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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 8:29 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Cc: Peter Carr

Subject: Re: AG Meeting with Sharpton Tomorrow?

Thanks, Sarah

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

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(b)(6)

@MattFirewall

On Mar 7, 2017, at 8:26 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

Yes, this meeting is confirmed for 2:30. It will be closed press.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Dean, Matthew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 6:18 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6) Peter Carr (b)(6)

Cc: Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: AG Meeting with Sharpton Tomorrow?

Hi Sarah and Peter -

We're hearing that the AG will meet with Rev Al Sharpton tomorrow at 2pm. Is this taking place at DOJ and will there be any media access?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

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(b)(6) - Matthew Boyle

From: (b)(6) - Matthew Boyle

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 5:56 PM

To: (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Also

let me know what day(s)/time(s) this week work for Sessions interview!

Topics I wanna focus on:

- 1) How he plans to rebuild the credibility of the DOJ in the wake of Holder/Lynch
- 2) Immigration EO
- 3) Other immigration priorities like targeting drug and human traffickers
- 4) The Deep State and efforts to confront, expose and hold accountable corruption
- 5) Cracking down on crime wave nationwide
- 6) Working with police departments across the country

Thanks, Matthew Boyle Washington Political Editor, Breitbart News

Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 10:44 AM

To: Norris, Elise

Subject: Re: Fox News request for today/Wednesday

I won't be able to join at this point. Will let you know if that changes!

On Mar 6, 2017, at 10:15 AM, Norris, Elise (b)(6) wrote:

Hi Sarah!

Wanted to see if you could join in the 2pm hour today or Wednesday regarding the latest with the Trump/wiretap story? We are flexible with which angle-but maybe something related to latest with Comey. Let me know your thoughts! Sandra Smith is the host.

Elise Norris

Fox News Channel, Washington DC

Booker, America's News HQ 2-3pm EST

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Sunday, March 5, 2017 7:48 PM

To: Dean, Matthew

Subject: Re: FBI reached out to DOJ re: Trump wiretap tweets

We aren't commenting

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> On Mar 5, 2017, at 7:40 PM, Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

> Hi Sarah -

> I'm looking to see if, on background, you have anything to offer regarding NYT's report that FBI reached out to DOJ asking for a public statement refuting President Trump's wiretapping allegations via Twitter yesterday.

> AP and CNN are reporting this as well.

> Thanks,

> Matt

> Matt Dean

> Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer > Fox News Channel (b)(6) (Mobile)
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Murphy, Declan		
From: Sent: To: Subject:	Murphy, Declan Friday, March 3, 2017 1:51 PM Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA); Murphy, Declan RE: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown	
Ok thanks for lett	ing me know!	
Sent via the Samsun	g GALAXY S® 5, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone	
Date: 3/3/2017 1 To: "Murphy, Dec Subject: RE: Mak	rah Isgur (OPA)" (b)(6) 50 PM (GMT-05:00) lan" (b)(6) ng Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown stay off tv for today. Thanks!	
From: Murphy, De Sent: Friday, Marc To: Sarah Isgur Flo Cc: Maria Hatzikon Subject: RE: Makin	n 3, 2017 1:31 PM re (b)(6) ; Murphy, Declan (b)(6)	
Hey Sarah,		
Would you be abl	e to come on Making Money tonight? Sometime from 6-7 PM.	
Thanks!		
Declan		
Sent via the Samsung	GALAXY S® 5, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone	

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From: Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) Date: 3/2/2017 7:13 PM (GMT-05:00) To: "Murphy, Declan" (b)(6) Cc: Maria Hatzikonstantino (b)(6) (b)(6) - Sarah Flores Subject: Re: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown Sorry I missed this. Didnt do any tv today anyway:) On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 10:47 AM, Murphy, Declan (b)(6) wrote: Ok thanks! Sent via the Samsung GALAXY S® 5, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone ----- Original message -----From: Maria Hatzikonstantino (b)(6) Date: 3/2/2017 10:46 AM (GMT-05:00) To: "Murphy, Declan" (b)(6) C (b)(6) Sarah Flores Subject: Re: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown Hey, Declan. I added to Sarah to this trail so she can respond directly. Thank you! On Mar 2, 2017, at 10:41 AM, Murphy, Declan (b)(6) wrote: Hey Maria, Would Sarah Isgur Flores be able to come on Making Money tonight to talk about Sessions? Thanks! Declan Sent via the Samsung GALAXY S® 5, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone ----- Original message -----From: Maria Hatzikonstantino (b)(6) Date: 1/30/2017 7:35 PM (GMT-05:00) To: "Murphy, Declan" (b)(6) Subject: Re: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown Thank YOU!

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From: Maria Hatzikonstantinou Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 6:40 PM To: Murphy, Declan Subject: Re: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown Decla (b)(6) On Jan 30, 2017, at 3:38 PM, Murphy, Declan (b)(6) wrote: (b)(6)From: Maria Hatzikonstantinou Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 3:38 PM To: Murphy, Declan Subject: RE: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown Declan (b)(6) From: Murphy, Declan [<u>mailt</u> (b)(6) Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 3:33 PM To: Jillian Melchior ; noelle nikpour (b)(6); Ford (b)(6)O'Conne (b)(6) Christine Goss ; Morgan (b)(6)Ortagu (b)(6) Cassie McNamara

; Dagher, (b)(6)Veronic (b)(6) Daniel Pollac (b)(6) Nadja Atw (b)(6) Victoria Delgado Chism (b)(6); Maria Hatzikonstantinou (b)(6); Rabon, Nicole (b)(6)Starnes, Todd (b)(6)Subject: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown

Hi all,

Here's the rundown for tonight.

Thanks!

Declan

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TOPIC Travel / immigration -the merits, why need it

http://www.businessinsider.com/trump-immigration-order-travel-ban-twitter-2017-1

http://www.politico.com/story/2017/01/trump-immigration-ban-tweet-blames-delta-234356

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http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2017/01/30/trump-faces-mounting-republican-criticism-over-refugee-order-rollout.html

http://www.theblaze.com/news/2017/01/28/tr umps-refugee-ban-also-affects-iraqi-andafghani-interpreters-who-helped-americanservicemen/

http://www.kansascity.com/news/politics-government/article129472544.html

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-is Silicon Valley just angling for cheap labor & failing to do its part to create American jobs?

http://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/news/20 17/01/30/trump-targets-techs-h1b-visa-hiring-tool/97240588/

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/20 17-01-30/trump-s-next-move-onimmigration-to-hit-closer-to-home-for-tech

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http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2017/01/30/supreme-court-trump-senate-republicans-democrats-nomination-confirmation/97097870/

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D2: PANEL

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http://www.foxbusiness.com/politics/2017/01/30/trump-signs-executive-order-to-slash-regulations.html

http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trump-regulations-idUSKBN15E1QU

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http://www.businessinsider.com/schumer-democrats-delay-votes-on-trump-cabinet-nominees-executive-order-immigration-2017-1

http://www.cnn.com/2017/01/30/politics/sena te-democrats-confirmation-votestrump/index.html

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http://www.foxnews.com/entertainment/2017/01/30/politically-charged-speeches-at-sag-awards-take-aim-at-trump.html

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Sarah Isgur Flores

(b)(6)

@whignewtons

Murphy, Declan

From: Murphy, Declan

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 7:43 PM **To:** Sarah Isgur Flores; Murphy, Declan

Cc: Maria Hatzikonstantino (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: RE: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown

No worries! Thanks for getting back to me.

Figured you might be way too busy haha.

Sent via the Samsung GALAXY S® 5, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

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From: Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6)

Date: 3/2/2017 7:13 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Murphy, Declan" (b)(6)

Cc: Maria Hatzikonstantino (b)(6) (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Re: Making Money with Charles Payne, Monday rundown

Duplicative Material

Wallace, Chris

From: Wallace, Chris

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2017 11:03 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: I also promise--we will ask the AG about his agenda for Justice going forward.

I understand.

Please let me know if you change your mind.

And we would love to have the AG when he has something to push.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, March 03, 2017 11:01 AM

To: Wallace, Chris

Subject: RE: I also promise--we will ask the AG about his agenda for Justice going forward.

At this point, I think we're going to stay off tv for this weekend. Sorry! Hopefully next time.

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Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Wallace, Chris [mailt (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2017 9:46 AM

To: Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6)

Subject: I also promise--we will ask the AG about his agenda for Justice going forward.

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2017 10:59 AM

To: (b)(6) - Jenna Lamagna

Subject: FW: FOX NEWS CHANNEL - NEIL CAVUTO (interview request w/ Deputy Attorney

General Dana Boente)

The DAG will not be doing interviews today.

Sarah Isgur Flores Director of Public Affairs

(b)(6)

From: Press

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2017 9:22 AM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6) Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Cc: Simotes, Jenna A. (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: FW: FOX NEWS CHANNEL - NEIL CAVUTO (interview request w/ Deputy Attorney General Dana Boente)

Thank you - Kristen

From: Lamagna, Jenna [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2017 8:09 AM

To: Press@usdoj.gov

Subject: FOX NEWS CHANNEL - NEIL CAVUTO

Good Morning,

My name is Jenna and I am reaching out from Your World with Neil Cavuto on the Fox News Channel. I am hoping to get in touch with someone to discuss an interview with Deputy Attorney General Dana Boente.

Neil is live on the Fox News Channel in the 4pm EST hour. I'm hoping we can set something up in the coming days for that time, or, if that is not an option, perhaps his show on Fox Business Network from 12pm to 2 pm EST?

I look forward to discussing.

Thank you,

Jenna La Magna

Booker, Fox News Channel "Your World with Neil Cavuto"

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From: Yaron, Eldad Friday, March 3, 2017 10:51 AM Sent: To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) Subject: RE: are you available today? No hassle at all thanks so much for considering. Please keep in touch. E. From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Friday, March 03, 2017 10:47 AM To: Yaron, Eldad (b)(6) **Subject:** RE: are you available today? I'm think I'm going to stay dark today. Thanks for checking back in. Sorry for hassle! From: Yaron, Eldad [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Friday, March 3, 2017 9:53 AM **To:** Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) (b)(6) **Subject:** Re: are you available today? Any way to tape something at 6pm on The Factor? Jesse Watters will host On Mar 2, 2017, at 7:21 PM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote: not sure yet about whether I'm doing anything tomorrow. will let you know if I do. cc'ing doi account. On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:36 AM, Yaron, Eldad (b)(6) wrote: I'd love to do this tomorrow just let me know. it would be at 5pm ish. From: Sarah Isgur Flores [mailt (b)(6) Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 11:21 AM To: Yaron, Eldad (b)(6) **Subject:** Re: are you available today? Not today. Might be tomorrow. On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:19 AM -0500, "Yaron, Eldad" wrote:

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Sarah Isgur Flores

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Yaron, Eldad

From: Yaron, Eldad

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 7:40 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores

Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

Subject: Re: are you available today?

Thanks much

On Mar 2, 2017, at 7:21 PM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote:



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Wallace, Chris

From: Wallace, Chris

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2017 8:54 AM

To: Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6); Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: On my local hits--everyone still wants to talk about sessions. Last night kind of

disappeared into the ozone. FNS would be a good platform to end the conversation.

Where do we stand?

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From:

Thursday, March 2, 2017 7:32 PM Sent: Murray, Andrew To: Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) Re: Interview with "Fox & Friends" Tomorrow? Subject: cc'ing my doj account as well On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 7:28 PM, Murray, Andre (b)(6) Understood! If he is available next week we would be willing to send an anchor to D.C. for an in-person taped discussion. Thanks, Andrew Murray Producer, Politics "Fox & Friends" Fox News Channel 1211 Avenue of the Americas, 2nd Floor New York, NY 10036 Offic (b)(6) Cell # __(b)(6) Cell # _(b)(6) FAX: (212) 301-3421 Emai (b)(6) @andrewmurray1 On Mar 2, 2017, at 7:17 PM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote: sorry--we need sleep tomorrow am:) On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 4:55 PM, Murray, Andrew (b)(6) wrote: Hi Sarah, Please let us know if we can schedule Attorney General Jeff Sessions to appear on "Fox & Friends" tomorrow (Friday). Thanks in advance,

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Producer, Politics

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Talarico, Julie

From: Talarico, Julie

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 7:26 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores

Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

Subject: Re: This morning?

Totally fine, I understand! Please let me know if you change your mind!

Julie Talarico

Booker, America's Newsroom

(b)(6)

On Mar 2, 2017, at 7:19 PM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote:

at this point, i'll probably stay off--but yall are my first choice if I do decide to go out tomorrow. sorry ive been mia!

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 4:13 PM, Talarico, Julie (b)(6) wrote:

Hi!

I know you've been slammed today but any chance anything has changed for tomorrow? Would love to get you on with Shannon.

Julie Talarico

Booker, America's Newsroom

(b)(6)

On Mar 2, 2017, at 6:37 AM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote:

at this point, I'm not doing tv. will let you know if that changes.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 5:56 AM, Talarico, Julie (b)(6) wrote:

Hi Sarah--

Good morning! Any chance you're around at 10am this morning to join us on newsroom? To talk about this AG Sessions story. Let me know as soon as possible. Thanks!

Julie Talarico

Booker, America's Newsroom

(b)(6)

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Sarah Isgur Flores

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DeVito, Andrea

From: DeVito, Andrea

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 6:25 PM

To: 'Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)'

Subject: RE: Fox News Sunday

Thanks Sarah I know he is doing Tucker tonight but we would still love to have him on Sunday.

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 5:46 PM

To: DeVito, Andrea

Subject: RE: Fox News Sunday

Will do!

From: DeVito, Andrea [mai t (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 2:46 PM

To (b)(6) - Sarah Flores (b)(6)

Subject: Fox News Sunday

Hi Sarah hope you are well. I don't want to bombard you since Chris has already been in touch. Thanks for considering us for Sunday. Let me know when you can.

Andrea

(b)(6)

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Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 5:59 PM

To: (b)(6) Cody Derespina

Subject: FW: Fwd:

Thank you!

From: Sarah Isgur Flores [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 5:57 PM

T (b)(6) - Sarah Flores

Subject: Fwd:

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From: **Derespina**, **Cody** (b)(6)

Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 5:23 PM

Subject:

T (b)(6) Sarah Flores

Hi Sarah,

Just wanted to thank you for your help in the midst of a very busy day today.

I'm attaching a couple articles I've written today/in the past on AG Sessions. I think you'll see if we have the opportunity to speak in the future, officially or not, I'll give the AG a fair shake.

https://www.google.com/amp/www.foxnews.com/politics/2017/03/02/amid-russia-uproar-sessions-gets-boost-from-senate-allies-and-dem-s-twitter-flub.amp.html

 $\underline{https://www.google.com/amp/www.foxnews.com/politics/2016/12/14/marijuana-legalization-advocates-fear-agsessions-but-should.amp.html$

Regards,

Cody Derespina

Fox News

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Sarah Isgur Flores

(b)(6)

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Chuck Ross

From: Chuck Ross

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 2:25 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores

Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

Subject: Re: Question on tonight's story -- Daily Caller

Sarah,

Can you call me a (b)(6) if you get a chance.

I'm looking at Sessions meetings with Ukraine's ambassador the day before the meeting with Kislyak. I'm wondering if the meetings revolved around the cease fire negotiations going on at that time.

Thanks for any help

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 10:27 AM, Chuck Ros (1(b)(6) wrote:

Sarah,

Wondering if you have information on whether AG Sessions met with this ambassador or talked to him at any point before 2016.

Thanks

Chuck Ross

The Daily Caller

(b)(6)

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:50 PM, Chuck Ross (b)(6) wrote:

Yeah it's weird; thanks again.

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:45 PM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote:

It was in his office. Unclear why WSJ didn't report that correctly.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:39 AM -0500, "Chuck Ross" (b)(6) wrote:

Sorry, I was basing my question off of an inconsistency between the WaPo report and Wall Street Journal.

WSJ reported that the September exchange was a phone call. WaPo says an office meeting. Are you able to clarify which it was?

Thanks again

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On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:32 PM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote: I'm not sure I understand. Disclose to who?

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From: Chuck Ross (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 11:35 PM

Subject: Question on tonight's story -- Daily Caller

T (b)(6) Sarah Flores

Hi Sarah,

Sorry I don't have your DOJ email; if needed, please feel free to respond from it.

I'm sort of scratching my head over the WaPo piece because there seem to be some information gaps.

It has me wondering -- did AG Sessions disclose these two contacts to anyone at DOJ?

Thanks for any help, Chuck Ross The Daily Caller

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Wallace, Chris

From: Wallace, Chris

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 2:19 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: Tried your cell. can we talk?

Understood.

Is he going out tonight?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 2:14 PM

To: Wallace, Chris

Subject: Re: Tried your cell. can we talk?

Probably not for the next several hours. I'm dealing w today before I think about this weekend.

On Mar 2, 2017, at 2:04 PM, Wallace, Chris (b) (6) wrote:

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Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 2:17 PM

To: Dean, Matthew

Subject: Re: Fox News Request

Roger!

On Mar 2, 2017, at 1:59 PM, Dean, Matthew (b)(6) wrote:

Hi Sarah -

A quick follow up. My colleagues at Fox News Sunday are also expressing interest in interviewing the AG this coming Sunday. They were told by the WH to reach out to you directly regarding the request.

The reason I am reaching out is to note that - while FNS is expressing interest - we would still like to interview AG Sessions tonight during Special Report with Bret Baier if at all possible.

Andrea DeVitto from Fox News Sunday has your contact information and will be reaching out to you directly, but I just wanted to give the heads up that Fox News is still interested in the sit down today.

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

(b)(6) (Mobile) (b)(6) (DOJ)

@MattFirewall

On Mar 2, 2017, at 9:43 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

We may do one later tonight ill let you know. But no decisions have been made.

From: Dean, Matthew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 9:29 AM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)
Cc: Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: Fox News Request

Hi Sarah -

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This is Matt Dean from Fox - I briefly introduced myself on the first floor of DOJ on the AG's first day.

I understand that you're likely running around right now, but I'm wondering if you have a quick minute to chat on the phone. I am looking to see if AG Sessions would be interested in joining Fox News for an interview later today.

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

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@MattFirewall

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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 9:47 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Fox News Request

Please keep me posted.

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

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From: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 9:43:11 AM

To: Dean, Matthew

Subject: RE: Fox News Request

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Matthew Boyle Breitbart

From: Matthew Boyle Breitbart

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 12:37 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores

Cc: (b)(6) - Sarah Flores Amanda House

Subject: Re: recusal

Thanks Sarah

Amanda -- can you get someone to do a story on how Sessions has answered this question multiple times before and how he has not ducked at all? See below

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2017, at 12:33 PM, Sarah Isgur Flore (b)(6) wrote:

Confirmation:

I am not aware of a basis to recuse myself from such matters. If a specific matter arose where I believed my impartiality might reasonably be questioned, I would consult with Department ethics officials regarding the most appropriate way to proceed. As I made clear at my confirmation hearing, I will always be fair and work within the law and the established procedures of the Department.

2/17/17 (Off the record meeting with reporters, from notes as meeting was not recorded):

On recusal. I was raised as a prosecutor, you don't confirm or deny this or that. Just because somebody says there's an investigation, what it includes, who it involves, doesn't mean the prosecutor should be talking about his case or investigation. Lots of reasons for that.

Decision on recusal, I believe determine if there is a matter, what is it, what's implicated in it, and then make your decision on whether you should maintain your responsibility at the top of this major institution, or recuse. I intend to follow that pattern. Have people here who've dealt with these issues. As I've said, will consult people with good judgment and make decision that's appropriate.

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Q: If you do recuse, who's the responsible officer?
Acting Deputy Boente, I believe. Over 20 years in Dept., served as President Obama's U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia.
2/27/17:
I would recuse myself on anything that I should recuse myself on. That's all I can tell you.
3/2/17:
I have said whenever it's appropriate I will recuse myself. There's no doubt about that.

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Fanning, Elizabeth

From: Fanning, Elizabeth

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 10:46 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: AG Sessions

Yes. Let Me know if there's anything you need from me on my end to make this work. I'm not in Tbe office yet so email or cell is best.

Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2017, at 10:33 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

Ok. No promises on anything. Can we circle back in a few hours?

From: Fanning, Elizabeth [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 10:23 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: Re: AG Sessions

We can definitely make tonight work

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2017, at 9:16 AM, Fanning, Elizabeth (b)(6) wrote:

Yes, but Tucker is in NYC so it would be remote but we could make that work I think.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2017, at 9:06 AM, Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

Curiosity: would tonight be an option?

On Mar 2, 2017, at 9:02 AM, Fanning, Elizabeth

(b)(6) wrote:

We are good for Monday on our end. Let me know when you are confirmed and the logistics.

Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 1, 2017, at 2:15 PM, Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

)(6) wrote:

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No but there's a chance hes doing a Sunday show. So they could always replay something from that for their morning program.

From: Fanning, Elizabeth

[<u>mailt</u>(b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 2:14 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

(b)(6)

Subject: RE: AG Sessions

I forgot to ask. Is the AG doing any other tv on Monday?

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

<u>mailt</u> (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:09 PM

To: Fanning, Elizabeth

(b)(6)

Subject: AG Sessions

Fin Gomez gave me your contact as the main booker for Tucker's show. Can you give me a call when you get the chance (b)(6)

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Fanning, Elizabeth

From: Fanning, Elizabeth

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 2:16 PM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

Subject: RE: AG Sessions

Cool. Thanks!

From: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) [mailt **(b)(6)** Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:15 PM

To: Fanning, Elizabeth (b)(6)
Subject: RE: AG Sessions

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(b)(6) - Joel Pollak

From: (b)(6) - Joel Pollak

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 9:52 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: RE: humor

Glad you got a laugh out of it

There's nothing quite like being on the inside of one of these cycles, is there.

Let me know if you need anything. Also available for interview etc. if you want to go that route.

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From: "Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)" (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 9:42am

To (b)(6) - Joel Pollak (b)

Subject: RE: humor

Looool nice

From (b)(6) - Joel Pollak [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 9:28 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: humor

https://twitter.com/joelpollak/status/837307294966636545

J

From: (b)(6) - Joel Pollak

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 12:27 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)

Subject: Re: Help for Sessions

OK thanks, let me know if there is more I can do.

J

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From: "Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)" (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 12:21am

To (b)(6) - Joel Pollak (b)(6)

Subject: Re: Help for Sessions

Unsure--I have told others about Ukrainian meeting. May not have told wapo. The list they use is from a statement I gave them.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2017, at 12:04 AM, (b)(6) - Joel Pollak (b)(6) wrote:

Question

(on background)

Did WaPo know about the Ukrainian ambassador meeting from the list, and just decline to mention it?

J

----Original Message-----

From: "Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)" (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 11:54pm

To: (b)(6) - Joel Pollak (b)(6)

Subject: Re: Help for Sessions

This is great. Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 1, 2017, at 11:52 PM, (b)(6) - Joel Pollak (b)(6) wrote:

Up:

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http://www.breitbart.com/big-government/2017/03/01/jeff-sessions-fake-news-washington-post-misquote-used-target/

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----Original Message----From: "Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 10:42pm
To: "Joel B. Pollak" (b)(6)
Cc: "Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)" (b)(6)
Subject: Re: Help for Sessions

CC'ing doj email. Anything you can do to push back on the absurdity. Forwarding you our stuff so far

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 10:36 PM -0500, "Joel B. Pollak" (b)(6) wrote:

Hi Sarah Not sure of your DOJ address. Can I help? If so, how? J Sent from my iPhone

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(b)(6) - Joel Pollak

From: (b)(6) - Joel Pollak

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 12:01 AM

To: Flores, Sarah Isgur (OPA)
Subject: Re: Help for Sessions

The full context of the exchange with Franken is very important.

He was never asked whether there was any contact.

He was asked about ongoing contacts in the context of the "dossier" claims and he answered truthfully.

J

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(b)(6) - Joel Pollak

From: (b)(6) - Joel Pollak

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 11:06 PM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores

Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)

Subject: Re: Help for Sessions

If he would be available for an interview, that would be good. An exclusive response to WaPo etc.

J

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Subject: Re: Help for Sessions

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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 10:06 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Cc: Sarah Isgur Flores

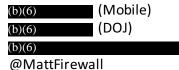
Subject: Re: WaPo report on Sessions contacts with Russian Ambassador

Thanks, Peter

Matt Dean

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On Mar 1, 2017, at 10:03 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6)

(6) wrote:

On the record statement, attributed to Sarah Isgur Flores:

There was absolutely nothing misleading about his answer. Last year, the Senator had over 25 conversations with foreign ambassadors as a senior member of the Armed Services Committee, including the British, Korean, Japanese, Polish, Indian, Chinese, Canadian, Australian, German and Russian ambassadors. He was asked during the hearing about communications between Russia and the Trump campaign--not about meetings he took as a senator and a member of the Armed Services Committee.

Here is the transcript from the hearing:

FRANKEN: OK. CNN has just published a story and I'm telling you this about a news story that's just been published. I'm not expecting you to know whether or not it's true or not. But CNN just published a story alleging that the intelligence community provided documents to the president elect last week that included information that quote, "Russian operatives claimed to have compromising personal and financial information about Mr. Trump." These documents also allegedly say quote, "There was a continuing exchange of information during the campaign between Trump's surrogates and intermediaries for the Russian government."

Now, again, I'm telling you this as it's coming out, so you know. But if it's true, it's obviously extremely serious and if there is any evidence that anyone affiliated with the Trump campaign communicated with the Russian government in the course of this campaign, what will you do?

SESSIONS: Senator Franken, I'm not aware of any of those activities. I have been called a surrogate at a time or two in that campaign and I didn't have did not have communications with the Russians, and I'm unable to comment on it.

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On background regarding the office visits by ambassadors:

He met with the ambassadors in his capacity as a senator on the Armed Services Committee, and they discussed relations between the two countries and any positive or negative issues they were facing. During 2016, ambassadors would often make superficial comments about election-related news, but it was not the substance of their discussion.

On background regarding the Heritage Foundation speech encounter:

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 10:03 PM

To: Dean, Matthew
Cc: Sarah Isgur Flores

Subject: RE: WaPo report on Sessions contacts with Russian Ambassador

Sure, Matt. Below should provide some context for the story.

Thx, Peter

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All visits from ambassadors during 2016:

Date	Title	Country	Name
14-Apr	Ambassador	Bulgaria	Elena Poptodorova
14-Apr	Ambassador	Lithuania	Rolandas Krisciunas
4/19/2016	Ambassador	Hungary	Dr. Reka Szemerkenyi
4/20/2016	Ambassador	Korea	
4/20/2016	Ambassador	Italy	Armando Varricchio
4/21/2016	Ambassador	India	
4/26/2016	Ambassador	Australia	Joe Hockey
4/28/2016	Ambassador	Poland	
5/13/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	John Bolton
5/13/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	Zalmay Khalilzad
5/16/2016	Ambassador	Japan	Kenichiro Sasae
5/18/2016	Ambassador	Singapore	Ashok Mirpuri
6/7/2016	Ambassador	Great Britain	Sir Kim Dorroch
6/7/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	Zalmay Khalilzad
6/9/2016	Minister of Defense	Montenegro	Milica Pejanovic-Djurisic
6/14/2016	Ambassador	Latvia	
6/23/2016	Ambassador	Canada	David MacNaughton
6/28/2016	Ambassador	Columbia	Juan Carlos Pinzon
7/6/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	Zalmay Khalilzad
7/11/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	Charlie Glazer
9/7/2016	Ambassador	Taiwan	
9/7/2016	Ambassador	Ukraine	Valeriy Chaly
9/8/2016	Ambassador	Russia	Kislyak
9/13/2016	Ambassador	Czech Republic	Petr Gandalovic
9/14/2016	Ambassador	Great Britain	Sir Kim Dorroch; Sir Alan Duncan
9/14/2016	Ambassador	Jordan	Dina Kawar
9/15/2016	Ambassador	China	
10/4/2016	Ambassador	Great Britain	Sir Kim Dorroch
11/11/2016	Ambassador	Great Britain	
11/11/2016	Ambassador	Germany	Peter Wettig
21-Apr	Ambassador	India	

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From: Dean, Matthew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 10:02 PM

To: Peter Carr (b)(6) Sarah Isgur Flores (b)(6)

Cc: Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: WaPo report on Sessions contacts with Russian Ambassador

Hi Sarah and Peter -

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Is there any background or a statement that you can offer on the Washington Post report about AG Sessions' apparent contacts with the Russian ambassador in 2016? Could you confirm?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

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Dean, Matthew

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 3:42 PM **To:** Peter Carr; Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA)

Cc: Dean, Matthew

Subject: POTUS at DOJ tomorrow?

Hi Peter and Wyn

I just saw a note from the pool regarding an event with POTUS at DOJ tomorrow. For my planning purposes, is there any guidance that you can pass along as to what is expected to take place and when/where?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

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Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 2:10 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA); Raimondi, Marc (OPA)

Cc: Browne, Pamela; Upson, Cyd

Subject: China investigation

Hi Peter and Marc,

Peter, this is the investigation we mentioned at the off the record with the AG. It was finalized and broadcast last Friday, and involved FBI and EDVA. Neither would comment, but it is now generating congressional interest.

Could we do a quick call to discuss further? Coping in executive producer Pamela Browne, and producer Cyd Upson who also worked on the project.

Thanks for considering.

Catherine

http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2017/02/24/fox-news-investigation-dod-funded-school-at-center-federal-probes-over-suspected-chinese-military-ties.html

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Navas, Nicole (OPA)

From: Navas, Nicole (OPA)

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 1:45 PM

To: Dean, Matthew; Peter Carr; Abueg, Mark (OPA)

Subject: RE: Texas voter ID case

Hi Matt,

I added to email Mark Abueg, the spokesman for the Department's Civil Rights Division, who handles these litigations.

Thanks,

Nicole A. Navas

Spokesperson/Public Affairs Specialist

U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)

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From: Dean, Matthew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 1:21 PM

To: Peter Car (b)(6) Nicole Navas (b)(6)

Cc: Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: Texas voter ID case

Hi Peter and Nicole

I am seeing reports that DOJ is dropping its opposition to the Texas voter ID law. Is there any guidance or a brief that you could pass along on this?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 1:27 PM

To: (b)(6) - Mike Maltas

Cc: (b)(6) - Nathalie Joost (b)(6) - Matt Dean

Subject: FW: Fox News inquiry: AG Sessions remarks at DOJ, Tues., Feb 28

Hi Mike,

The event location will not be in the Great Hall, but instead in our 7th floor conference room, 7411. Cameras should plan on arriving at 10:30 to set up. Note the AG is giving brief remarks at 11am and then will need to leave before the viewing of the film, "Too Important To Fail: Saving America's Boys."

Best, Peter Carr

(b)(6) direct (b)(6) cell

From: Maltas, Mike [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 12:16 PM

To: press@usdoj.gov

Cc: Joost, Nathalie (b)(6) Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: Fox News inquiry: AG Sessions remarks at DOJ, Tues., Feb 28

ATTN: DOJ PAO,

Fox News is interested in covering AG Jeff Sessions' remarks at the Justice Department's 2017 African American History Month Observance slated for 11AM, Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the Great Hall, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. We'd like to RSVP for a crew and producer, please let us know what you need from us. Thank you,

Mike Maltas Fox News Channel 400 N Capitol St., NW Washington, DC 20001

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From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 1:00 PM

To: Navas, Nicole (OPA); Carr, Peter (OPA)

Subject: Re: Question - Marijuana enforcement

Hi Nicole -

Yes, got it. Thanks.

Matt

Matt Dean

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From: Navas, Nicole (OPA) (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 12:58:10 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA); Dean, Matthew

Subject: RE: Question - Marijuana enforcement

HI Matt,

Did you get my email with filing?

Nicole A. Navas

Spokesperson/Public Affairs Specialist

U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)

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From: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 12:38 PM

To: Dean, Matthew (b)(6) Navas, Nicole (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Question - Marijuana enforcement

Adding Nicole, who is point on the EO litigation.

From: Dean, Matthew [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 12:36 PM
To: Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6)

Subject: Re: Question - Marijuana enforcement

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Got it - thank you. Another question - unrelated.

I just came across DOJ's latest filing in the 9th Circuit asking the court to put all proceedings over the travel/immigration EO on hold. Will we get anything further from the AG or DOJ on this?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

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From: Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 12:31:06 PM

To: Dean, Matthew

Subject: RE: Question - Marijuana enforcement

We don't have comment on this, and as guidance, I am not aware of any immediate changes. I suspect this was just a general comment made by Mr. Spicer.

From: Dean, Matthew [mailt_(b)(6)

Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 12:07 PM

To: Peter Carr (b)(6)

Cc: Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: Question - Marijuana enforcement

Hi Peter -

Fox's Denver bureau is doing a story on recreational marijuana enforcement playing off of Sean Spicer's comments at the briefing yesterday. He said from the podium that "I do believe that you'll see greater enforcement" yesterday when asked about the administration's position on marijuana enforcement.

Is there any guidance forthcoming from DOJ on this? Should we expect any updated policies on how DOJ enforces and investigates marijuana-related matters?

Thanks,

Matt

White House press secretary Sean Spicer on Thursday suggested the Trump administration will step up enforcement of federal laws against recreational marijuana.

"I do believe that you'll see greater enforcement," Spicer said, while adding the exact

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policy is "a question for the Department of Justice."

It's the latest sign President Trump is poised to take a tougher approach than the Obama Justice Department did in states that have legalized the use of recreational marijuana.

Attorney General <u>Jeff Sessions</u> was coy about his approach last month during his confirmation hearing.

"Using good judgment about how to handle these cases will be a responsibility of mine," he said. "I know it won't be an easy decision, but I will try to do my duty in a fair and just way."

Sessions has been a critic of recreational marijuana laws in the past.

Spicer telegraphed the administration won't take a get-tough approach against medical marijuana, saying Trump believes in its ability to "comfort" people suffering from debilitating diseases.

But he said he takes a different view of recreational marijuana, linking it to the abuse of opioid drugs in states across the U.S.

There is little evidence showing a link between abuse of the two drugs. Some researchers believe medical marijuana could help <u>reduce demand</u> for opioid-based painkillers.

Eight states and the District of Columbia have legalized marijuana for recreational use. Twenty others have laws allowing medical marijuana.

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

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From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 8:05 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Subject: Re: Transgender guidance

Thanks for the guidance, Peter

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer Fox News Chann (b)(6) (Mobile)

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> On Feb 22, 2017, at 8:03 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA (b)(6) wrote:

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> As guidance just so it's clear, the main legal point from our letter to the court is that the guidance is withdrawn in order to allow the Departments to consider the legal issues further and more completely.

> The decision should not be portrayed as if a final decision on whether Title IX has any relevance in this setting has been made.

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Carr, Peter (OPA)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 11:23 AM

To: Alex Pfeiffer

Subject: RE: Press inquiry

Thanks, Alex. The Attorney General is not accepting interview requests at this time, but I will keep this in mind for the future.

From: Alex Pfeiffer [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 11:16 AM

T (b)(6) - Peter Carr Subject: Press inquiry

Hi Peter - Would it be possible to do an interview with Attorney General Jeff Sessions? I would just like to have a conversation with him about his priorities.

Thanks, Alex Pfeiffer Reporter The Daily Caller

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake

Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 2:53 PM

To: Peter Carr (OPA)

Subject: Pamela Brown CNN is here

In press room.

Can someone come get her please?

Jake Gibson Field Producer Fox News Washington

(b)(6)

@JakeBGibson

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Gibson, Jake

From: Gibson, Jake

Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 1:06 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Cc: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA); Herridge, Catherine

Subject: Re: Invitation to AG meet and greet

Catherine will make it.

She'll be coming through security at 230.

Jake Gibson Field Producer Fox News Washington

(b)(6)

@JakeBGibson

On Feb 16, 2017, at 12:45 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA (b)(6) wrote

Up to an hour or so before is fine. The main concern is that we will only have space for one.

From: Gibson, Jake [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 12:44 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA (b)(6)

Cc: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA (b)(6)

Subject: Re: Invitation to AG meet and greet

Fox would like to have Catherine Herridge attend. However, she is on a shoot tomorrow and may not make it.

May we play it loose and have me attend if she is unable to return on time?

When is the latest we can let you know?

Thanks very much,

Jake Gibson Field Producer Fox News Washington

(b)(6)

@JakeBGibson

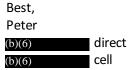
On Feb 16, 2017, at 12:31 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA **(b)(6)** wrote:

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Hi everyone,

We would like to invite you to an <u>off-the-record</u> meet and greet with Attorney General Sessions <u>TOMORROW</u>, <u>FRIDAY</u>, <u>at 3:00 p.m.</u> in the AG's conference room on the 5th floor.

The Attorney General would like to have a good discussion sitting around his conference table, so we would ask that each news outlet limit itself to **one representative** for this meeting. Please RSVP to me with who from your outlet will be able to attend.



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Herridge, Catherine

From: Herridge, Catherine

Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 12:46 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Cc: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA); Gibson, Jake
Subject: RE: Invitation to AG meet and greet

Not an issue of convenience, but just being on the safe side. Thank you for accommodating us, and look forward to see you and the AG.

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 12:44 PM

To: Herridge, Catherine

Cc: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA); Gibson, Jake **Subject:** RE: Invitation to AG meet and greet

Yes, that's fine to have Jake as a backup. Understand it's not the most convenient time.

From: Herridge, Catherine [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 12:42 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OP) (b)(6)

Cc: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OP) (b)(6) Gibson, Jake (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Invitation to AG meet and greet

Hi Peter,

We are asking to put my name on the list, and producer Jake Gibson as back up. Only one will attend. Please advise if that will work and thank you for including us.

Catherine

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 12:31 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA) **Cc:** Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA)

Subject: Invitation to AG meet and greet

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Moni, Alyssa

From: Moni, Alyssa

Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 11:41 AM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Subject: RE: Hannity Fox News Media Request?

Thank you!

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 11:40 AM

To: Moni, Alyssa (b)(6)

Subject: FW: Hannity Fox News Media Request?

Importance: High

HI Alyssa,

Thank you for reaching out to us. The Attorney General is not accepting interview requests at this time; we'll keep your interest in mind going forward.

Best, Peter Carr

From: Moni, Alyssa [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 11:03 AM

To: Press@usdoj.gov

Subject: Hannity Fox News Media Request?

Importance: High

Hello

I am reaching out from Sean Hannity's show at Fox News to see if Attorney General Sessions would be interested in doing an interview with us?

We usually tape between 4:30 and 5:45pm et Mon-Fri but could do our best to work around his schedule to make something work.

Topics would depend on news of the day.

Thanks so much, and hope to hear from you soon, Alyssa

Alyssa Moni "Hannity"



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Roberts, John

From: Roberts, John

Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2017 7:23 PM **To:** Carr, Peter (OPA); Navas, Nicole (OPA)

Subject: RE: STATEMENT BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ON NINTH CIRCUIT RULING IN STATE

OF WASHINGTON; STATE OF MINNESOTA V DONALD J TRUMP

Thanks very much...appreciate it...

John Roberts Chief White House Correspondent Fox News Channel

(b)(6)

From: Carr, Peter (OPA) [mailt (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 7:19 PM

To: Roberts, John (b)(6) Navas, Nicole (OP) (b)(6)

Subject: Re: STATEMENT BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ON NINTH CIRCUIT RULING IN STATE OF WASHINGTON;

STATE OF MINNESOTA V DONALD J TRUMP

Yes, adding Nicole Navas.

On Feb 9, 2017, at 7:15 PM, Roberts, John (b)(6) wrote:

Peter....thank you. Can you please add me to your list?

John Roberts Chief White House Correspondent Fox News Channel

(b)(6)

On Feb 9, 2017, at 7:09 PM, Carr, Peter (OP) (b)(6) wrote:

Hi John,

I was asked to make sure you got this statement.

Best, Peter

From: Navas, Nicole (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 6:28 PM

To: Navas, Nicole (OPA) (JMD) (b)(6)

Subject: STATEMENT BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ON NINTH CIRCUIT RULING IN STATE

OF WASHINGTON; STATE OF MINNESOTA V DONALD J TRUMP

Importance: High

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Good evening,

"The Justice Department is reviewing the decision and considering its options." We have no further comment.

Thank you,

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

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STATE OF WASHINGTON; STATE OF MINNESOTA,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

DONALD J. TRUMP, President of the United States; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY; REX W. TILLERSON, Secretary of State; JOHN F. KELLY, Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendants-Appellants.

No. 17-35105

D.C. No. 2:17-cv-00141

ORDER

Motion for Stay of an Order of the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington James L. Robart, District Judge, Presiding

Argued and Submitted February 7, 2017

Filed February 9, 2017

Before: William C. Canby, Richard R. Clifton, and Michelle T. Friedland, Circuit Judges

Per Curiam Order

From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2017 6:32 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Subject: Re: STATEMENT BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ON NINTH CIRCUIT RULING IN STATE

OF WASHINGTON; STATE OF MINNESOTA V DONALD J TRUMP

I did. Thanks, Peter

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

Fox News Channel

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On Feb 9, 2017, at 6:31 PM, Carr, Peter (OP) (b)(6) wrote:

Making sure you got this.

From: Navas, Nicole (OPA)

Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 6:28 PM

To: Navas, Nicole (OPA) (JMD) (b)(6)

Subject: STATEMENT BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ON NINTH CIRCUIT RULING IN STATE OF

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From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2017 6:28 PM

To: Peter Carr

Subject: Reaction to 9th Circuit

Hi Peter -

Any reaction from the AG that we can expect forthcoming on the Ninth Circuit decision?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer Fox News Chann (b)(6) (Mobile)

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Matt Dean

From: Dean, Matthew Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 6:21 PM Carr, Peter (OPA) To: Subject: Re: Sessions photo op Got it. Thanks, Peter. Matt Dean Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer Fox News Channel I (Mobile) (b)(6)(DOJ) (b)(6)(b)(6)@MattFirewall On Feb 8, 2017, at 6:20 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA (b)(6) wrote: Assuming the confirmation goes through, for planning purposes only: Swearing in <u>around 10:30</u> at WH (WH is coordinating) Arrival at DOJ around 1:30. Will have pool TV and still cameras Meeting with law enforcement heads on the 5th floor around 5pm. Will have pool spray for TV and still cameras. On Feb 8, 2017, at 6:10 PM, Dean, Matthew (b)(6) wrote: Hi Peter -I'm seeing through my pool desk that DOJ has offered up a photo op tomorrow morning with AG designee Sessions. Are there any details that you could pass along on that event? Timing and location, perhaps? Thanks, Matt

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Navas, Nicole (OPA)

From: Navas, Nicole (OPA)

Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2017 1:05 PM

To: (b)(6) - Kayce D'Onofrio

Cc: Carr, Peter (OPA)

Subject: RE: FOX BUSINESS INQUIRY

Hi Kayce,

We do not have a photo available for distribution. Thank you

Nicole A. Navas

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

From: D'Onofrio, Katherine [mailt (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, February 07, 2017 12:25 PM

To: press@usdoj.gov

Subject: FOX BUSINESS INQUIRY

Hello,

My name is Kayce D'Onofrio and I work with Fox Business Network. I'm reaching out to see if someone could send me a high resolution jpeg image of someone from your office: **Attorney August Flentje**. Please let me know if this would be possible.

Thank you!

Kayce D'Onofrio

Production Assistant, "Making Money with Charles Payne"

Fox Business Network 1211 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10036

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From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Saturday, February 4, 2017 7:14 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: Re: Seattle order

Hi Peter -

I'm seeing this cross the wires now and am checking PACER for the filing.

Is there any updated statement that you can pass along?

Thanks,

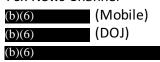
Matt

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Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer

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On Feb 3, 2017, at 10:23 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

We don't have anything further tonight. Will reach out once we have additional information we can provide.

----Original Message-----

From: Dean, Matthew [mait_(b)(6)

Sent: Friday, February 03, 2017 10:21 PM

To: Peter Carr (b)(6)

Cc: Dean, Matthew (b)(6)

Subject: Seattle order

Hi Peter -

I'm reaching out about the judge's order issued in the Western District of Washington this

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evening temporarily halting the visa/refugee EO.

The White House just released a statement saying DOJ is seeking an emergency stay on that order. Is there anything that you can provide on that?

Thanks,

Matt

Matt Dean

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From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Friday, February 3, 2017 10:26 PM

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: Re: Seattle order

Got it. Thanks

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer Fox News Chann (b)(6) (Mobile)

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> On Feb 3, 2017, at 10:23 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:



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From: Dean, Matthew

Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 7:56 PM

> < Message from the Acting Attorney General.pdf>

To: Carr, Peter (OPA)
Subject: Re: AG message

Thanks, Peter

Matt Dean

Department of Justice & Federal Law Enforcement Producer Fox News Chann (b)(6) (Mobile)

(b)(6) (DO (b)(6)
@MattFirewall

> On Jan 30, 2017, at 6:04 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) (b)(6) wrote:

> Matt,

> Attached is a message the acting AG provided this afternoon to those handling the EO cases.

> Thx,

> Peter

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On January 27, 2017, the President signed an Executive Order regarding immigrants and refugees from certain Muslim-majority countries. The order has now been challenged in a number of jurisdictions. As the Acting Attorney General, it is my ultimate responsibility to determine the position of the Department of Justice in these actions.

My role is different from that of the Office of Legal Counsel (OLC), which, through administrations of both parties, has reviewed Executive Orders for form and legality before they are issued. OLC's review is limited to the narrow question of whether, in OLC's view, a proposed Executive Order is lawful on its face and properly drafted. Its review does not take account of statements made by an administration or it surrogates close in time to the issuance of an Executive Order that may bear on the order's purpose. And importantly, it does not address whether any policy choice embodied in an Executive Order is wise or just.

Similarly, in litigation, DOJ Civil Division lawyers are charged with advancing reasonable legal arguments that can be made supporting an Executive Order. But my role as leader of this institution is different and broader. My responsibility is to ensure that the position of the Department of Justice is not only legally defensible, but is informed by our best view of what the law is after consideration of all the facts. In addition, I am responsible for ensuring that the positions we take in court remain consistent with this institution's solemn obligation to always seek justice and stand for what is right. At present, I am not convinced that the defense of the Executive Order is consistent with these responsibilities nor am I convinced that the Executive Order is lawful.

Consequently, for as long as I am the Acting Attorney General, the Department of

Justice will not present arguments in defense of the Executive Order, unless and until I become
convinced that it is appropriate to do so.