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Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2013 2:25 PM

To: Ernest Myers; Paul Rooney

Cc: Natasha Williams; Jody Litchford; Christine Gigicos

Subject: ATF Form 4 approvals by Chief law enforcement officer

Dear Mr. Myers:

Orlando Police Chief Rooney is out of town on agency business; he asked me to respond on his behalf to your inquiry about proposed changes to the ATF Form 4.

Your communique suggests that ATF believes the language change will make local chiefs and sheriffs more inclined to sign the Form 4.

The current language requires the chief law enforcement officer to certify that he or she has no information indicating that the person to whom the firearm will be transferred will use the firearm for anything other than a lawful purpose.

The proposed change would have the chief law enforcement officer instead certify that:

- (1) the prints and photo provided with the form belong to the person responsible; and
- (2) the chief law enforcement officer has no information to indicate that receipt or possession of the subject firearm violates state or local law.

Unfortunately, we do not believe the proposed language amendment will change our position with respect to whether the Orlando Police Chief should execute these forms for firearms transfers. It remains our position that the local law enforcement chief executive officer should not be involved in, or liable for, individual firearms transfers.

Sincerely,

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