April 27, 2017

The Honorable Michael E. Horowitz
Inspector General
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Horowitz:

On May 17, 2017, the Committee will hold a hearing to examine the events relating to Congress’s investigation into the Department of Justice’s Operation Fast and Furious. Testifying as part of the slate of witnesses will be Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) Special Agent (SA) John Dodson. SA Dodson, as you are aware, played a significant role in bringing to light wrongdoing and mismanagement at ATF and the Justice Department. As a result of his communications with Congress, SA Dodson was subjected to various forms of retaliation and reprisal. As I understand it, some of the actions perpetrated against SA Dodson were reviewed by the Office of Inspector General.

As the Committee prepares for the hearing, it would be appreciated if OIG would provide any investigative reports or similar documents referring or relating to SA Dodson, including but not limited to matters relating to ATF SAs William Newell and David Voth presented to the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York. To assist the Committee’s work, if feasible, please provide the requested materials by May 10, 2017.

Please produce all documents in electronic format to the Committee. In addition, please deliver your responses to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Majority Staff in Room 2157 of the Rayburn House Office Building and the Minority Staff in Room 2471 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

Should you have questions, please contact Steve Castor of the Committee staff at (202) 225-5074. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Jason Chaffetz
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings, Ranking Member