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**To:** Roland, Sarah E  
**Subject:** Re: Urgent Report (Border Patrol Report-CNN Coverage)

Yes. Thanks

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**From:** Roland, Sarah E  
**To:** Seidel, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Tue May 23 12:00:21 2006  
**Subject:** RE: Urgent Report (Border Patrol Report-CNN Coverage)

I forwarded; think I cc'd you too....let me know if not

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**From:** Seidel, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 23, 2006 11:54 AM  
**To:** Roland, Sarah E  
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**From:** Roland, Sarah E  
**To:** Seidel, Rebecca; Smith, Kimberly A; Roehrkasse, Brian  
**CC:** Voris, Natalie (USAE0)  
**Sent:** Tue May 23 11:49:35 2006  
**Subject:** RE: Urgent Report (Border Patrol Report-CNN Coverage)

These are the numbers we've already provided to the hill in recent weeks. They've asked if we're able to break anything down by District, which EOUSA is looking at now.

These are the AOUSC numbers for the past three FY years . . . (In brackets, next to each, are our EOUSA numbers). For various reasons the numbers aren't exactly the same, but reflect the same trends.

AOUSC (As of 9/30/05)

Defendants Commenced for Alien Smuggling (by major offense)

03 - 2,698 (2,878)  
04 - 3,504 (3,486)  
05 - 3,773 (3,770)

Cases Commenced for Alien Smuggling (by major offense)

03 - 1,961 (2,015)  
04 - 2,506 (2,451)  
05 - 2,728 (2,682)

Defendants found guilty of Alien Smuggling (by major offense)

Cc: Voris, Natalie (USAE0); Roland, Sarah E.  
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Likely yes. We have already provided some numbers to Hill. Sarah can elaborate.

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To: Seidel, Rebecca; Roehrkasse, Brian  
CC: Voris, Natalie (USAE0)  
Sent: Tue May 23 11:40:04 2006  
Subject: RE: Urgent Report (Border Patrol Report-CNN Coverage)

Since you have a hearing coming up and the Federal Times writing on this, I've pasted the responses from EOUSA to some of the reporters questions. I'm not sure yet what we can/cannot release, but these are the numbers below. Is OLA going to be releasing numbers on immigration prosecutions for this hearing?

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In FY 2004, 2,451 cases were filed against 3,486 defendants where 8 USC 1324 (Bringing in and Harboring Certain Aliens) was brought as any charge against a defendant. In FY 2005, there were 2,682 cases filed against 3,770 defendants.

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Question4: How much of a budget increase would the attorneys' office need to prosecute all human smugglers?

Draft A: There's no way that we could give you an exact number. Again, prosecution is not as much about funding and money as it is about hard facts and evidence that will stand up in a court of law.

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From: slosey@atpco.com [mailto:slosey@atpco.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2006 10:53 AM  
To: Smith, Kimberly A  
Subject: smuggling questions

Kim,

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My number is 703-750-8661.

Thanks,

Steve

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To: Seidel, Rebecca; Smith, Kimberly A

CC: Voris, Natalie (USAEO)

Sent: Tue May 23 11:33:54 2006

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That's fine. But the reality is that only Lou Dobbs and maybe a few trades (and maybe the Washington Times) are going to pay attention to this kind of story. That's not to say that members won't get spun up, but I am not too concerned with the statement itself from a press perspective. I am concerned that they didn't run it by us though and am trying to figure out how this resulted in an urgent report.

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Rebecca-

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Thanks,  
Kim

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**To:** Scott-Finan, Nancy; Seidel, Rebecca; Crews, John (USAEO); Smith, David L. (USAEO)  
**Cc:** Mercer, Bill (ODAG); Roland, Sarah E  
**Subject:** RE: USA prosecutions - Secs. 1324 and 1326

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 06, 2006 1:22 PM  
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**Cc:** Roland, Sarah E  
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To my knowledge we decline to give out prosecution guidelines.

My assumption is that you are correct, that this is related to the real report that Ms. Lam sent us, and the faux and redacted copy of that report that Congressman Issa often quotes from.

JGC

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 06, 2006 1:18 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: USA prosecutions - Secs. 1324 and 1326

We don't generally give out prosecution guidelines - right? And this is a set up related to that report that Issa got his hands on? And Carol Lam responded to?

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 06, 2006 1:12 PM  
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**Cc:** Seidel, Rebecca; Roland, Sarah E  
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**Seidel, Rebecca**

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Ok to keep the 7/5 at 2:00 meeting? Linda

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**From:** Lam, Carol (USACAS)  
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**To:** Moschella, William; Seidel, Rebecca  
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Carol

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## Seidel, Rebecca

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Paul told me he has responded.

Thanks much,

Joe

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**Cc:** Parent, Steve (USAEO)  
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**Attachments:** SWB Attorney change FY 2000 to FY 2006.pdf



SWB Attorney  
change FY 2000 to..

Looping you all in - I'm not sure what we would want to share with the Hill, but the info below explains the 29% number. Please let me know if you need anything else.

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**From:** Erickson, Michael (USAEO)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 01, 2006 12:11 PM  
**To:** Voris, Natalie (USAEO)  
**Cc:** Bevels, Lisa (USAEO); Erickson, Michael (USAEO)  
**Subject:** FW: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

Natalie,

I have attached the chart that references the 29% increase of 561 on-board attorneys as of July 8, 2006 that were added for the SWB districts between FY 2000 and FY 2006. This was the data that was requested by Daniel Fridman. This data includes attorneys on board comparing FY 2000 and FY 2006. As of FY 2000, the SDCA had 75 attorneys funded through direct funds on board; as of FY 2006 the total was 89.

If you just look at new immigration positions allocated for the Southern District of California, they received 2 attorneys and and 2 support in FY 2001. The table below includes attorneys allocated from enhancements received between FY 2001 and FY FY 2005.

FY	Enhancement	Attorneys
2001	Computer Crime	2
2001	Immigration	2
2002	Project Sentry	1
2002	Terrorism	4
2003	Corporate Fraud	1
2004	OCDETF	1
2005	OCDETF	3
	Total	14

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Mike Erickson

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To: Erickson, Michael (USAEO)  
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Call me on my cell

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Sent: Mon Jul 31 20:09:54 2006  
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	Total, FY 2000	95	87	42	126	85	435
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	Total, FY 2006	115	105	63	144	109	536
FY 2000 - 2006 increase	DIRECT	18	14	19	11	19	81
	OCDETF	2	4	2	7	5	20
	Total, Increase	20	18	21	18	24	101
July 2006 allocation	DIRECT	4	4	3	4	5	20
	OCDETF	1	1	1	1	1	5
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Total, 2006 plus July allocation	DIRECT	106	93	61	123	102	485
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Percent increase		29.0%					

## Seidel, Rebecca

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That was about it. We left on very cordial terms without any request for follow-up information. Let me know if you need any additional information, and thanks for preparing me.

Carol

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Thanks, Steve; this helps. -- Carol

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Cc: Epley, Mark D; Jordan, Wyevetra G  
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It was fine (at least I think it was). The tone was civil and at times even friendly. I was accompanied by my appellate chief Roger Haines and our Intake supervisor Steve Peak. Issa and Sensenbrenner had about 4 staffers there total. Chrm Sensenbrenner had a single theme he kept coming back to, which is that we aren't doing enough coyote prosecutions and that they are the key to controlling the border. (This is obviously the Border Patrol complaint that was channelled through Issa to Sensenbrenner). I noted that the first 3 times we prosecute a coyote, we get sentences of 60 days, 6 months, and maybe a year, respectively, if we are lucky; whereas the same attorney resources can be used to prosecute criminal aliens with priors for rape, murder and child molestations and we can get sentences of 7-8 years. We have more of the latter type of case than we can handle, so essentially I must make a choice -- prosecute the coyotes who are smuggling but not endangering anyone, or the rapists and murderers who are coming back to rape and murder again.

He noted that among the Southwest Border USAOs, our felony immigration filings are low. I explained that we set out a couple of years ago to deliberately seek higher sentences for the worst offenders; this meant more cases would go to trial, but we would hold the line and not sell the cases for less time. The statistics show that we have, in fact, achieved significantly higher average sentences in our immigration cases; the cost was that our immigration trial rate more than DOUBLED (from 42 trials in 2004 to 89 trials in 2005) and we had to reduce the number of low-end coyote cases we filed. Cong Issa seemed to grasp this concept quickly; he commented that it is too bad we don't have statistics that reflect the matrix of felony immigration filings against lengths of sentences.

We urged them to fully fund the President's budget; thanked Chrm Sensenbrenner for the enforcement provisions in his immigration bill; and some observations were exchanged about the difficulties of prosecuting cases in the 9th Circuit. Congressman Issa asked me how the 4 additional SW border AUSA positions (announced by the AG on Monday) would help me; I said that they would allow me to fill attorney vacancies that I have had to leave vacant because of the budget situation. Issa noted to Sensenbrenner that he doesn't understand why their prior appropriations don't seem to be "trickling down" to the USAOs, and I interjected that the unfunded COLAs and government-wide rescissions were erasing what appeared to be additional appropriations.

That was about it. We left on very cordial terms without any request for follow-up information. Let me know if you need any additional information, and thanks for preparing me.

Carol

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

From: Seidel, Rebecca  
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 3:16 PM  
To: Lam, Carol (USACAS)  
Cc: Epley, Mark D  
Subject: RE: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

How did the Issa/Sensenbrenner meeting go?

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

From: Lam, Carol (USACAS)  
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 11:53 AM  
To: Seidel, Rebecca; Parent, Steve (USAEO); Bevels, Lisa (USAEO); Voris, Natalie (USAEO)  
Cc: Jordan, Wyevetra G; Epley, Mark D  
Subject: RE: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

Thanks, Steve; this helps. -- Carol

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

From: Parent, Steve (USAEO)  
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:24 AM  
To: Lam, Carol (USACAS); Seidel, Rebecca; Bevels, Lisa (USAEO); Voris, Natalie (USAEO)  
Cc: Epley, Mark D; Jordan, Wyevetra G  
Subject: Re: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

The 29 percent figure is actual funded position increase from FY 2000 to present.

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

From: Lam, Carol (USACAS) <CLam@usa.doj.gov>  
To: Seidel, Rebecca <Rebecca.Seidel@usdoj.gov>; Parent, Steve (USAEO) <SParent@usa.doj.gov>; Bevels, Lisa (USAEO) <LBevels@usa.doj.gov>; Voris, Natalie (USAEO) <NVoris@usa.doj.gov>  
Cc: Epley, Mark D <Mark.D.Epley@usdoj.gov>; Jordan, Wyevetra G <Wyevetra.G.Jordan@usdoj.gov>  
Sent: Tue Aug 01 22:12:05 2006  
Subject: Re: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

I assume nobody is taking credit for the 29% figure, and I'm on my own?

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

From: Seidel, Rebecca <Rebecca.Seidel@usdoj.gov>  
To: Parent, Steve (USAEO) <SParent@usa.doj.gov>; Bevels, Lisa (USAEO) <LBevels@usa.doj.gov>; Lam, Carol (USACAS) <CLam@usa.doj.gov>; Voris, Natalie (USAEO) <NVoris@usa.doj.gov>  
Cc: Epley, Mark D <Mark.D.Epley@usdoj.gov>; Jordan, Wyevetra G <Wyevetra.G.Jordan@usdoj.gov>  
Sent: Mon Jul 31 18:01:45 2006  
Subject: RE: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

Also adding Mark Epley and Wyevetra Jordan . Mark, Wye - where did the 29% increase number come from? (this is re the press release on the supplemental approps funding AUSAs)

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

From: Voris, Natalie (USAEO)  
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2006 8:17 PM  
To: Seidel, Rebecca; Lam, Carol (USACAS); Bevels, Lisa (USAEO); Parent, Steve (USAEO)  
Subject: Re: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

This is definitely a question for rmp - I have added lisa and steve to the email.

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

From: Lam, Carol (USACAS) <CLam@usa.doj.gov>  
To: Voris, Natalie (USAEO) <NVoris@usa.doj.gov>; Seidel, Rebecca <Rebecca.Seidel@usdoj.gov>  
Sent: Mon Jul 31 20:09:54 2006  
Subject: RE: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

Thanks, Natalie. I do have one other concern -- the DOJ press release sent out today says that the "the number of AUSAs in the Southwest border districts has increased 29 percent since 2000, to a total of 561." I'm not sure where the 29% figure came from; my own FTE increased from 119 to 125 during the last 4 years; I think the percentage increase has been similar in the other districts. Can anyone tell me how the 29% increase was calculated, in case the Congressmen use this figure in our discussion?

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From: Voris, Natalie (USAEO)  
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2006 4:08 PM  
To: Lam, Carol (USACAS)  
Subject: FW: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

Carol,  
Lisa Bevels is traveling to the Budget Officers training at the NAC this week, but she gives you the best times for a conversation with her below. I clarified with Lisa that it's human trafficking approps Issa is interested in, not prosecutions. Lisa said that she was unaware of any specific human trafficking funds ever going to USAOs.

Please let me know if you need anything else. I'm not the budget expert, but I can try to point you in the right direction.

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From: Bevels, Lisa (USAEO)  
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2006 6:16 PM  
To: Voris, Natalie (USAEO); Parent, Steve (USAEO)  
Subject: RE: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

I will be giving a speech at the BO Conference on Wednesday. If she wants, she can email me and set up a time to talk tomorrow or Wednesday last morning or all afternoon. Civil Rights tracks the Human Trafficking case data for the Department. I'm not sure if Barbara Tone can come up with these cases through our system--they are probably part of immigration or some could even be in child abuse (women and children trafficking for sexual exploitation). Dave Smith asked us a few weeks ago about Human Trafficking and we did not have the data.

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From: Voris, Natalie (USAEO)  
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2006 6:02 PM  
To: Bevels, Lisa (USAEO); Parent, Steve (USAEO)  
Subject: Lam is meeting with Issa and Sensenbrenner

On Wednesday at 11 a.m. PST. OLA has approved this meeting. Carol knows that Issa is curious about what happened to human trafficking funds that Issa believes were provided to USAOs a year ago. Do we have any info on that? Lisa - Carol will probably give you a call in the

next day to go over a few things prior to the meeting.

Thanks,  
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**Seidel, Rebecca**

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**From:** Goodling, Monica  
**Sent:** Friday, December 15, 2006 9:28 PM  
**To:** Scott-Finan, Nancy; Nowacki, John (USAEO)  
**Cc:** Seidel, Rebecca  
**Subject:** EDAR release  
**Attachments:** griffinappointment.pdf

Nancy/Rebecca -- Please see the attached press release regarding the AG appointment of Tim Griffin in the Eastern District of Arkansas. As John knows, the Congressional notifications were completed as the AG spoke with Sen. Pryor and Kyle spoke with Sen. Lincoln's COS. The Senators were not pleased. I can provide more context later. The AG asked Sen. Pryor to sit down and meet with Tim -- and the Senator agreed. So, on Monday morning, we need someone to contact Sen. Pryor's COS and offer to make Tim available at the Senator's earliest convenience. Regardless of whether the meeting is in D.C. or in Arkansas, we would like someone from OLA or EOUSA to go along. The Senator did say something to the AG about leaving for vacation, so it may be that his first availability is the first week of January -- in which case, we can just have Tim come up to D.C. and do it here. But the AG wants to be sure we are responsive to the Senator's scheduling preferences, though, so if he wants to do it in Arkansas next week, we'll need to find someone who is interested in a free trip to Little Rock. :)

**Seidel, Rebecca**

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**From:** Seidel, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 19, 2006 12:47 PM  
**To:** Scott-Finan, Nancy  
**Subject:** FW: A Time for Everything

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Scott-Finan, Nancy Read: 12/19/2006 12:47 PM

see below. I didn't remember Iglesias being on list, but i could be mistaken.

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**From:** Crews, John (USAEO) [mailto:John.Crews@usdoj.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 19, 2006 11:02 AM  
**To:** Seidel, Rebecca  
**Subject:** FW: A Time for Everything

This follows announcement yesterday by USA Paul Charlton (Arizona) that he too is leaving at the of January, 2007. JGC

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**From:** Iglesias, David C. (USANM)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 19, 2006 7:28 AM  
**To:** USANM-All Employees  
**Subject:** A Time for Everything

Friends and colleagues: As was written thousands of years ago in the book of Ecclesiastes, "there is a time for everything." "There is a time to plant and a time to uproot, ... a time to search and time to give up..." Those of you old enough to remember the Byrds classic song, "Turn, turn, turn" recall the words of this eternal truth.

It is with mixed emotions I announce my resignation from this office. It has been a tremendous job and I've been deeply honored to serve with each of you. Your devotion to duty and commitment to justice has been awe inspiring. As I stated more than five years ago on my first day on the job, I respect you and will work to earn your respect. We have accomplished much in these past five years. We have zealously defended the government in difficult civil cases, we have cared for victims and their family members and we have put behind bars dangerous criminals who have committed terrible crimes against our fellow citizens and innocent children. We have made New Mexico history by successfully prosecuting historic political corruption cases.

We have made a difference and we have made New Mexico a better and safer place. But our job is not yet done. Many of you who are career public servants will have the honor of continuing the struggle for justice for many years to come.

Thank you for these past five plus years. They have exceeded my wildest imagination. It has been a tremendous honor to serve with you.

I will be leaving sometime in late January or February and will keep you posted as to my next assignment. Semper fidelis, semper paratus.

Regards,  
David Iglesias

**Seidel, Rebecca**

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**From:** Goodling, Monica  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 17, 2007 6:45 PM  
**To:** Seidel, Rebecca; Hertling, Richard  
**Cc:** Sampson, Kyle  
**Subject:** Talking Points & Resume for Tim Griffin

**Attachments:** Griffin Talkers.doc; Griffin narrative.doc; Griffin resume.doc

Rebecca/Richard – WH Political reached out to Sen. Sessions and requested that he ask helpful questions to make clear that Tim Griffin is qualified to serve. They requested that someone in our OLA call the Senator's staff and make sure that we take advantage of the offer. Here are talkers on Griffin, as well as a narrative that can be used by staff, and his resume. I think it would actually be helpful for all of the Rs to have. In any case, can you please touch base with Sessions' folks? Thanks.



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Griffin  
narrative.doc (30 KB)



Griffin resume.doc  
(92 KB)