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To: Coyle, Thomas M. (CID) (FBI); Farnsworth, Ronald (CID) (FBI)

Gents,

As you know we are getting closer to the opening of AF case. I'd welcome a meeting with your team next week to discuss out investigative plan, comms plan with PCU, and initial challenges we will be working through.

Heading down to FLETC today but happy to chat later this week.

Tim

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