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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This responds further to your letters to the Department of Justice (the Department) and the U.S. Marshals Service (USMS), dated March 18, 2015, March 19, 2015, April 7, 2015, April 23, 2015, and May 6, 2015, regarding allegations related to USMS hiring practices and use of Assets Forfeiture Fund resources.

As you know, we have responded in part in our letters dated March 26, 2015, April 3, 2015, and April 17, 2015. In light of the extensive and important concerns raised in your letters and by your staff, however, the Department has referred these allegations for an independent investigation by the Department's Office of Inspector General (OIG). In addition, the Department continues to collect and review information to assist us in responding to your inquiry and, as the Department proceeds, we will share such information with OIG.

Please be assured that the Department takes seriously the allegations raised in your letters. In coordination with the Department, the USMS issued preservation notices to relevant personnel. We will continue to keep an open line of communication with your staff and appreciate the information you have provided to date. Any additional evidence you may have related to the allegations in your letters or separate concerns raised by your staff would be greatly appreciated and may expedite our responses.

We hope this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact this office if we may provide additional assistance regarding this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter J. Kadzik".

Peter J. Kadzik  
Assistant Attorney General

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cc: The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy  
Ranking Member

The Honorable Michael E. Horowitz  
Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice