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The Deputy Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

September 13, 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DISTRIBUTION LIST

FROM:

James B. Comey

Deputy Attorney General

Director, United States Marshals Service

SUBJECT:

Establishment of Strategic Management Council Working Group on

the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004

There is hereby established the Working Group on the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004 ("Working Group") of the Strategic Management Council ("SMC"). The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation or his designated representative shall chair the Working Group. The Working Group shall have the following members:

Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division
Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
Assistant Attorney General, Justice Management Division
Acting Director, Office of Intergovernmental and Public Liaison
The Inspector General
Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration
Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
Director, Bureau of Prisons

A member of the Working Group may designate any person who is part of the member's component to perform the duties of the member on the Working Group. The chair shall notify the Office of the Deputy Attorney General and the Office of Legal Policy of all activities and meetings of the Working Group.

The Working Group shall report to the SMC, no later than 30 days from the date of this memorandum, its recommendations for implementing the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004 within the Department of Justice.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

THROUGH:

Chuck Rosenberg

Chief of Staff

FROM:

Uttam Dhillon /

Associate Deputy Attorney General

DATE:

September 9, 2004

SUBJECT:

Establishment of Strategic Management Council Working Group on

the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004

PURPOSE:

To obtain the Deputy Attorney General's approval of a Memorandum

Establishing the Strategic Management Council Working Group on the

Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004

TIMETABLE:

As soon as possible

On July 22, 2004, the President signed into law H.R. 218, the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004 (the Act). The Act exempts qualified active and retired law enforcement officers from State and local laws that prohibit the carrying of concealed firearms. Because there are a number of issues relating to the implementation of the Act by the Department, I recommend forming a Working Group of the Strategic Management Council (SMC) to examine and report on options for implementing the Act. I recommend that the FBI chair the Working Group. OAG concurs. A memorandum creating the Working Group is attached.