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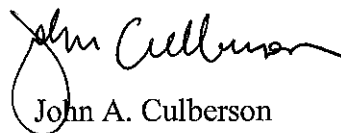
Dear Attorney General Lynch:

As you prepare your fiscal year 2016 spending plan, as required by section 534 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, and the fiscal year 2017 President's budget request, I want to express the Committee's expectation that the Department of Justice will allocate its resources to the enforcement of existing Federal law.

Recently the media has reported that the President plans to take executive action to limit the Constitutional rights of Americans to keep and bear arms. The House Appropriations Committee will not provide resources to your Department for the development or implementation of unlawful limitations on the unambiguous Second Amendment rights of Americans.

We appreciate the hard work and dedication of Federal law enforcement and look forward to reviewing a fiscal year 2016 spending plan and fiscal year 2017 budget request that enforces existing Federal law and does not create new law.

Sincerely,



John A. Culberson
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