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Honorable Loretta Lynch
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RE: Updated Request for a United States Department of Justice official investigation

Dear Attorney General Lynch:

This letter is written to update the request made on January 4, 2016, for the assistance of the United States Department of Justice in an investigation into the ever-increasing occurrence of chases by outside jurisdictions of suspects into the City of Jackson. Specifically, the recent chase of a suspect by several outside jurisdictions into Jackson for a suspected shoplifting at a Walmart is at issue.

It has been reported in the media and by persons who attended a local gun show within the past few days that a gun dealer had on display signs depicting President Barack Obama and Councilman Kenneth I. Stokes and threatening to deny the sale of guns to certain individuals.

Of concern is the unlawful nature of the occurrence of a gun dealer displaying signs depicting the President of the United States and a Jackson City Council Member and threatening to deny the sale of guns to certain individuals because of an association with those depicted. Reportedly, the rationale stated by the gun dealer for the signs was in response to a request by Councilman Kenneth I. Stokes regarding the recent extensive chase of a suspect by several outside jurisdictions into an inner-city Jackson neighborhood because of a reported shoplifting incident at a Walmart; thereby, endangering the lives of innocent individuals and raising public safety concerns.

Please feel free to contact me for any further information. The phone number for the office of Ward Three is 601-960-1090.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely
Kenneth I. Stokes
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