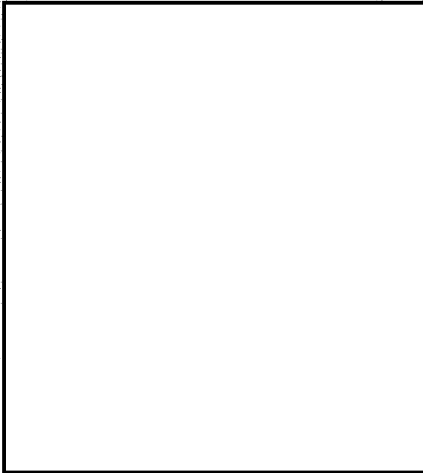


In light of the new information from DHS, which appears to include ten additional flights, OIG is requesting details. Further inquiry with DHS/CBP identified the 12 instances as follows:

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OIG is seeking:

- (1) confirmation of precisely how many times the FBI received assistance from or otherwise coordinated or collaborated in joint efforts involving DHS CBP UAS flights (or UAS operations from any other governmental agencies) both domestically and abroad;
- (2) an explanation for why the FBI was unable to provide information on the additional CBP flights listed as received by the FBI.

If your division was involved with any of the CBP flights identified above, please provide the following to INSD and OTD (SC Scott Bean):

- 1) Documentation showing the Field Divisions involved in for each DHS flight, the associated investigations for which UAS flight assistance was requested or received, and the case agent or points of contact for the officials that requested DHS assistance for each such DHS flight.
- 2) A brief summary of the reason DHS assistance was needed for each flight received and what information was obtained, if any.
- 3) The procedures by which your division is supposed to make requests for outside agency aviation asset surveillance assistance, if any.
- 4) Any official guidance on whether such outside agency requests require the FBI headquarters to be notified?

Please let me know your designated POC for this matter so we can timely follow up. Also, feel free to respond via other side if the matter is classified.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Thanks,
Laura

Please call should you have additional questions or comments.

Regards,

[Redacted]

SSRA [Redacted]
FBI [Redacted]
Desk - [Redacted]
Cell - [Redacted]

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:21 PM
To: Ingber, Laura R.; [Redacted]
Cc: Bean, W L Scott; [Redacted]; DiClemente, Anthony P.; [Redacted]
Subject: RE: DOJ OIG Continuing Audit on DOJ's Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)

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Laura,

I spoke with SSR [Redacted] about the [Redacted] use. [Redacted] will track it down. It may not have been a formal request, but rather [Redacted] taking initiative. We will find an answer. Regarding question #3 –there was no [Redacted] procedure to make such a request. Regarding question #4 – I would think there will be an FBIHQ policy on making such requests, as opposed to having possibly 56 different procedures. I have been in [Redacted] about a month now. So, if there is no FBIHQ procedure, we will certainly generate some internal controls in [Redacted].
Thanks.

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[Redacted] please note below, replies need to go to INSD and SC Scott Bean at OTD.

From: Ingber, Laura R.
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:40 AM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: Bean, W L Scott; [Redacted]; DiClemente, Anthony P.; [Redacted]
Subject: DOJ OIG Continuing Audit on DOJ's Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)

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Good Morning SACs,
DOJ OIG is currently in the second phase of captioned review. During the first phase, INSD worked closely with OTD and CIRG to identify utilization of UAS. Recently, the OIG came back to INSD when DHS revealed in a FOIA that its Bureau Customs and Border Protection (CBP) performed approximately 100 flights for DOJ law enforcement agencies with its Predator UAS program between 2010 and 2012. See: <https://www.eff.org/deeplinks/2013/09/500-cbp-drone-flights-other-agencies>. DHS lists the FBI as receiving the assistance of CBP UAS flights twice in 2010 and ten times in 2011.

In Phase I, the OIG had requested information on the "Number of instances in which the FBI requested the assistance of UAS operated by third parties or instances with the FBI operations information obtained by third party UAS." The FBI indicated it was aware of two instances in 2011 where it requested UAS coverage and that assistance was only provided in [Redacted] case in [Redacted] FBI told OIG that the other request was made in [Redacted]. However, the OIG notes that a recent Los Angeles Times article cites both current and former law enforcement officials in some detail that a flight was actually made in February 2012: <http://www.latimes.com/nation/nationnow/la-na-nn-fbi-using-drones-2006-20130926,0,3270950.story#axzz2ila8WkLE>