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Subject: Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) State and Local Overtime and Authorized Expense Agreement for Fiscal Year FY-20

Dear Captain Norbert Leal:

The Southwest Region OCDETF Regional Coordination Group has approved an OCDETF Agreement for the Hidalgo CSO under the following terms:

OCDETF Case #: SW-TXS-1140
Operation: VIEJOS SUCIOS
Dates of the Agreement: 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020 (FY-20)
Funding Amount (\$): \$5,000.00
Sponsoring Federal Agency: DEA

At no time should your State or Local agency exceed the approved funding noted above.

**Please note that the approved funding amount may be less than the amount originally submitted to the Regional Coordination Group.

Initial funding allocations represent projections only and therefore are subject to modification by the Regional Coordination Group based upon the progress and needs of the OCDETF investigation. Federal government accounting policy requires all open obligations be reviewed and validated at the end of each quarter; therefore if no costs have been incurred within 90 days of the date of the agreement all funding could automatically be de-obligated unless an extension has been requested and has been granted in writing by the sponsoring Agency Regional OCDETF Coordinator.

If additional funding or agreement modifications are necessary, a written request must be submitted by the sponsoring Agency Regional OCDETF Coordinator to the Assistant U.S. Attorney (AUSA) Regional OCDETF Director prior to incurring any overtime and/or expenses. The sponsoring Federal agency and State or Local agency will be notified in writing on the status of the request. Any supplemental funding will be contingent upon availability of funds.

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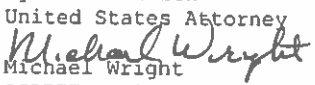
A reimbursement request will not be deemed "submitted" unless it is completely and accurately prepared. Reimbursement requests must be submitted within 30 days of overtime worked. The requests must be approved and signed by the sponsoring Federal agency prior to being forwarded to the U.S. Attorney's office. All requests without the proper signatures will be returned. Approved funds that do not have properly submitted reimbursement requests submitted on a timely basis will be de-obligated by the committee to meet other financial responsibilities.

The State or Local agency is responsible for ensuring and monitoring overtime payments. These payments may not, on an annual per person basis, exceed 18649 (increased to 25% of a GS-12 Step 1 Federal salary). The field office of the sponsoring Federal agency and the sponsoring Agency Regional OCDETF Coordinator will also monitor these payments, as stated in section 14 of the agreement. Without approval from the Regional Coordination Group and the grant of a waiver from the OCDETF Executive Office in Washington D.C. An agency may not be reimbursed in excess of 25000 on any OCDETF investigation in a given year.

Reimbursement requests which are not submitted for payment in a timely manner are subject to availability of funds.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your sponsoring Agency Regional OCDETF Coordinator Bostick, Mike at 571-324-7036.

Very truly yours,

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