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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division

San Francisco Strike Force Attorney John Emerson has been contacted and he has stated he feels the consensual microphone coverage should be continued in the confidential source's apartment and there is no entrapment involved.

Your authority is requested to continue to utilize a microphone on a consensual basis in the confidential source's apartment at San Francisco, California, for an additional 30-day period to record conversations by the confidential source and individuals involved in this investigation.