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Mayor Mitchell Landrieu  
City of New Orleans  
Criminal Justice Coordination  
1300 Perdido Street, Room 8E15  
New Orleans, LA 70112-2112

Dear Mayor Landrieu,

I write to alert you that under the terms of your FY 2016 Byrne JAG grant, award 2016-DJ-BX-0251 from the Office of Justice Programs (“OJP”), your jurisdiction is required to submit documentation to OJP that validates that your jurisdiction is in compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, which states that “a Federal, State, or local government entity or official may not prohibit, or in any way restrict, any government entity or official from sending to, or receiving from, the Immigration and Naturalization Service information regarding the citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual.” As your grant agreement makes clear, this documentation must be accompanied by an official legal opinion from counsel that adequately supports the validation and must be submitted to OJP no later than June 30, 2017. Failure to comply with this condition could result in the withholding of grant funds, suspension or termination of the grant, ineligibility for future OJP grants or subgrants, or other action, as appropriate. If you have any questions regarding this requirement, please contact your grant manager as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan R. Hanson".

Alan R. Hanson

Acting Assistant Attorney General  
Office of Justice Programs