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## **Terry Goddard to Testify on Border Violence at U.S. Senate Hearing**

(Phoenix, Ariz. – March 16, 2009) Attorney General Terry Goddard will appear before a joint session of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs and the Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control on Tuesday, March 17, beginning at 10:30 a.m. EDT (7:30 a.m. Arizona).

Goddard has been invited by Subcommittee Chairman Sen. Richard Durbin to testify at the hearing entitled, "Law Enforcement Responses to Mexican Drug Cartels." Goddard will discuss the public safety threat to Arizona posed by cross-border smuggling of narcotics, human cargo and weapons. Goddard will also discuss successful law enforcement techniques employed to combat the cartels, including the seizure of smuggling proceeds sent by wire transfer, a strategy pioneered in Arizona to disable criminal smuggling syndicates.

Goddard will appear on a panel along with representatives from the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Drug Enforcement Administration and Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Other witnesses slated to appear on Tuesday include Denise Eugenia Dresser Guerra, Professor of Political Science at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México in Mexico City, and Jorge Luis Aguirre, director of LaPolaka.com.

### **Event Information**

Who: Attorney General Terry Goddard  
What: Testimony before U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, and Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control.  
When: Tuesday, March 17  
10:30 a.m. EDT  
Where: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 226  
Note: Media interested in attending this event should contact Sen. Durbin's Press Secretary, Max Gleischman, at 202-228-5244.

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