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Colleagues,

Attached please find a new policy revising and formalizing the procedure for obtaining and handling recordings of inmate telephone calls during investigations involving our office. This policy is the result of collaborative work among AUSA's across the district (and in consultation with EOUSA) with a goal of providing a clear procedure to make appropriate use of this type of evidence and ensure that such cannot be unfairly characterized and criticized. This policy should be implemented immediately with respect to any new requests for recordings. If you have concerns about the application of this policy to any investigations that are currently in process, then please consult with your Criminal Coordinator for specific guidance.

As our cases grow ever more complex, the role this sort of evidence plays in our cases is likely to only increase. Therefore, it is critical that we be able to make use of it in furtherance of our mission, without having the nature of the evidence itself become a distracting and complicating issue. This policy is intended as a tool to do just that – to assist you in making the strongest case possible and ensure that it is not vulnerable to attack.

As always, thank you for all of your hard work, and please enjoy a wonderful and safe holiday weekend with your family and friends,

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