Exhibit C
The following is on background, attributable to a DOJ official:

- Improving the flow of information between federal and state law enforcement authorities is paramount to ensuring that federal immigration authorities have the information they need to enforce the law and keep our communities safe.

- 8 U.S.C. § 1373 is a federal statute applicable to state and local governments that generally bars restrictions on communication between state and local agencies and officials at the Department of Homeland Security (and certain other entities) with respect to information regarding the citizenship or immigration status of any individual.

- In March 2016, the Department’s Office of Justice Programs (“OJP”) notified recipients of Byrne JAG grants of the requirement to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373. The Department has also announced that it will take all lawful steps to claw back any funds awarded to a jurisdiction that violates its grant agreement, including the condition to comply with section 1373.

- These common-sense measures will improve the flow of information between federal, state, and local law enforcement, and help keep our communities safe. Every year, the Department of Justice awards billions of dollars in grants to state and local jurisdictions across the United States. Unfortunately, some of these jurisdictions have adopted policies and regulations that frustrate the enforcement of federal immigration law, including by refusing to cooperate with federal immigration authorities in information sharing about illegal aliens who commit crimes.

- These measures will also prevent the counterproductive use of federal funds for policies that frustrate federal immigration enforcement. By refusing to communicate with the federal officials, these jurisdictions jeopardize the safety of their residents and undermine the Department’s ability to protect the public and reduce crime and violence.