

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

February 25, 2015

The Honorable Loretta E. Lynch
United States Attorney
Eastern District of New York
United States Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear United States Attorney Lynch,

On February 17th, Judge Hansen for the Southern District of Texas issued a decision in *Texas v. United States*, temporarily enjoining the Department of Homeland Security from implementing President Obama's November 2014 executive actions related to immigration. On February 23rd, the Department of Justice filed a notice of appeal and an expedited motion to stay the District Court's injunction pending appeal. As part of that stay, the Department of Justice asked that the injunction be limited to the State of Texas. Subsequently, the Plaintiff States filed a letter in opposition.

With this in mind, please answer the following questions:

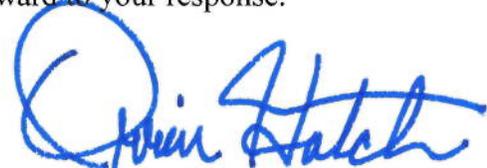
1. Will you commit to follow the District Court's injunction against the implementation of President Obama's November 2014 executive action until the injunction is either lifted or stayed by the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court?
2. Will you commit to follow the District Court's injunction as it is worded, specifically, as it applies nationwide, and not limit its application to the State of Texas, unless the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court limits the scope of the injunction?

Thank you for your attention to this matter and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Jeff Flake
U.S. Senator



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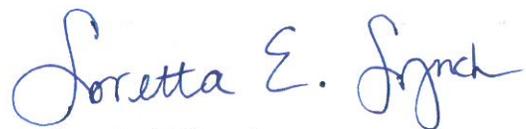
Dear Senator Hatch, Senator Graham, and Senator Flake:

This is in response to your letter of February 25, 2015, with respect to the preliminary injunction entered by the district court in the Southern District of Texas regarding the President's executive actions on immigration.

The answer to both of your questions is yes. If I am confirmed as Attorney General, I commit to follow the injunction as it is worded unless and until the injunction is stayed, lifted, or altered by the district court itself, by the Fifth Circuit, or by the Supreme Court.

I appreciate your inquiry and, if confirmed, look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Loretta E. Lynch