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## READOUT OF PRINCIPAL DEPUTY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KATHARINE T. SULLIVAN'S APPEARANCE AT THE NATIONAL CRIME GUN INTELLIGENCE CENTER TRAINING AUGUST 27, 2019

WASHINGTON – Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Katharine T. Sullivan today spoke to almost 50 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives agents and local law enforcement personnel at a Crime Gun Intelligence Center Multi-site Training held at ATF headquarters. The training was part of the Crime Gun Intelligence Center Initiative, funded by OJP's Bureau of Justice Assistance. BJA Director Jon Adler and BJA Senior Policy Advisor Tammy Brown also spoke.

Crime gun intelligence centers are interagency collaborations focused on the immediate collection, management and analysis of crime gun evidence, such as shell casings, in real time, in an effort to identify shooters, disrupt criminal activity and prevent future violence. The primary outcome of these centers is identifying armed violent offenders for investigation and prosecution.

ATF manages the centers, and BJA supports 11 sites across the country, as well as a training and technical assistance program run by the Police Foundation. Today's training brought together law enforcement officials from six of the sites: San Francisco, California; Miami, Florida; Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Detroit, Michigan; Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Tulsa, Oklahoma.

PDAAG Sullivan underscored the contributions of crime gun intelligence centers to reducing violent crime, highlighting successes from centers across the country. OJP, through BJA, plans to fund several additional centers this year.

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