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Description of document: Each memo and email and schedule associated with the August 21, 2017, visit of Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, Senator Mitch McConnell, Gov. Matt Bevin, Congressman Matt Guthrie and U.S. Treasurer Jovita Carranza to the US Bullion Depository at Fort Knox Requested date: 07-September-2017 Release date: 06-April-2018 Posted date: 17-December-2018 Source of document: **FOIA Request** Disclosure Officer, United States Mint 801 9th Street, N.W., 8th Floor Washington, D.C. 20220 FOIA Online Request Form

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY UNITED STATES MINT WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220

April 6, 2018

FOIA Request #2017-09-205

This is in response to your September 7, 2017, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for each memo and email and schedule associated with the August 21, 2017, visit of Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, Senator Mitch McConnell, Gov. Matt Bevin, Congressman Matt Guthrie and U.S. Treasurer Jovita Carranza to the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox. You wanted to limit your request to records at the U.S. Bullion Depository and also to records at Mint Headquarters.

Enclosed as responsive to your request are the responsive documents. (127 pages).

Please be advised that names and other identifying information regarding United States Mint employees and the security procedures at the Bullion Depository have been excised from this documentation in accordance with Title 5 of the United States Code (U.S.C.), Section 552(b)(6): Personal privacy and with and Title 5 of the United States Code, Section 552(b)(7)(E): Law enforcement information the disclosure of which "would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law."

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Sincerely,

Lateau

Lateau D. Jones Acting Disclosure Officer/ FOIA Public Liaison

Enclosures

From: Sent: To: Subject: Motl, David Monday, August 21, 2017 10:11 AM McNally, Kristie; Fwd: Call me asap

We are now going to view the eclipse at the search house.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Booth, Lee" <<u>Lee.Booth@usmint.treas.gov</u>> Date: August 21, 2017 at 9:34:37 AM EDT To: "O'Connor, Dennis" <<u>Dennis.O'Connor@usmint.treas.gov</u>>, "Motl, David" <<u>David.Motl@usmint.treas.gov</u>> Cc: "Bailey, Bill R." <<u>Bill.Bailey@usmint.treas.gov</u>> Subject: RE: Call me asap

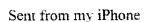
Call me - Secretary made an audible change

-----Original Message-----From: O'Connor, Dennis Sent: Monday, August 21, 2017 9:05 AM To: Motl, David <<u>David.Motl@usmint.treas.gov</u>> Cc: Booth, Lee <<u>Lee.Booth@usmint.treas.gov</u>>; Bailey, Bill R. <<u>Bill.Bailey@usmint.treas.gov</u>> Subject: Re: Call me asap

The last secretary to visit was John Snyder in 1948. Lee has to go thru historical records to find the other answer.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 21, 2017, at 8:58 AM, Motl. David <<u>David.Motl@usmint.treas.gov</u>> wrote:



US Mint 000001

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: O'Connor, Dennis Friday, August 18, 2017 8:38 AM Motl, David Bailey, Bill R. FW: VISITOR LIST VISITOR LIST.docx

Dave,

Attached is the final list of visitors we have for the visit. We've included all the security personnel as well as the wife, still haven't heard anything different on that yet. Those highlighted will be going inside the vault. I'll have copies of the list with me for the dry run as well as the FAQ's for you.

From: Booth, Lee Sent: Friday, August 18, 2017 8:20 AM To: O'Connor, Dennis ; Bailey, Bill R.

Cc: Subject: VISITOR LIST

Updated with wife and USSS change.

# **ATTACHMENT 1**

# TREASURY

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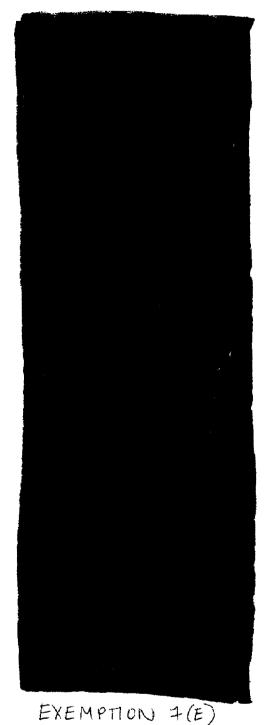
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# CONGRESS

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell Terry Carmack – Staff Sen McConnell Andrew M. Condia – Senate Staff

Representative Brett Guthrie Brian Smith – Rep Staff

GOVERNOR Governor Matt Bevin Governors Aid Taylor Sears



From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: McNally, Kristie Wednesday, August 16, 2017 8:52 AM Booth, Lee; Connor, Dennis Approved Food Memo

Good morning!

Attached is the approved food memo for next Monday. Please let me know if you have any questions!

[Untitled].pdf

Kristie



THE UNITED STATES MINT A Bureau of the Department of the Treasury United States Bullion Depository Fort Knox, Kentucky

August 15, 2017

# ACTION MEMORANDUM FOR KRISTIE McNALLY ACTING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER UNITED STATES MINT

FROM:	Robert L. Booth	Robert L.	Digitally signed by Robert L. Booth
	Field Chief, USBD	Booth	Date: 2017.06.15 12:43:43 -04'00'

SUBJECT: Light Refreshments for Cabinet/Congressional Visit

## RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the purchase of light refreshments for a Cabinet/Congressional visit to the United States Bullion Depository (USBD), Fort Knox, KY on August 21, 2017.

Approve Date:

Let's Discuss

### BACKGROUND:

On August 21, 2017, the Secretary of the Treasury will host a Cabinet/Congressional visit of approximately 40 Treasury, Mint and Congressional personnel to the USBD. This is only the second visit of this type in the 80 year history of the facility. The refreshments will be served in three locations throughout the facility where activities will occur.

#### **DSCUSSION:**

In accordance with United States Mint-Wide Policy Memo DIR-10-R, the expenditure of funds to purchase food for this event is authorized under section 1(d), Official Reception of Prominent Officials. We are requesting approval of the expenditure for light refreshments as this will enhance the historic nature of the event. The total estimated cost for the refreshments is \$350.00

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Advance from Treasury staff will be August 18, 0900

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Booth, Lee Wednesday, August 09, 2017 12:05 PM

FW: VISIT UPDATES

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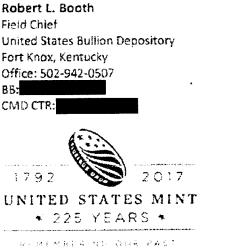
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From:Booth, LeeSent:Wednesday, August 02, 2017 9:59 AMTo:+Ft KnoxSubject:EMPLOYEE INFO ONLY

### FOR EMPLOYEE USE ONLY

You are about to become part of history again. As most of you know, we will begin some official visits next week. Chief O'Connor will be here Sunday thru Tuesday. On Tuesday morning, we will host the first of two VIP visits for 9 personnel:

#### Treasury Assistant Secretary for Management (ASM) Kody Kinsley

Treasury Staff Treasury OIG Treasury OIG Mint A/PDD Dave Motl Mint CFO Kristie McNally Mint Special Asst. Mint Police Chief Dennis O'Connor

On August 21, we will host the second VIP visit for 41 personnel, including the following cabinet / Congressional personnel, their staff members and security details:

Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin Treasury Assistant Secretary for Management (ASM) Kody Kinsley United States Treasurer Jovita Carranza Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell Senator Rand Paul Representative Brett Guthrie Kentucky Governor Matt Bevin (TBD)

Over the next few days and weeks, there will be a lot of activity and changes – be flexible. I ask everyone to take a few extra moments to insure office spaces, uniforms, lockers, storage areas, etc...are well prepared, as I expect several tours of the facility will be conducted.

This is only the second Congressional visit in the USBD history and we have the honor of getting to be a part of it.

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:26 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David List of principals in photos

ASM Kinsley,

In the #1 email, there are two photos:

1 – STM greeting other principals at parking lot

2 - STM and his wife viewing eclipse

In #2 email

- 1 Principals & Acting Deputy Director Motl at door to USBD (close-up)
- 2 Principals & Acting Deputy Director Motl at door to USBD (farther away)

#### In #3 email

1 – STM and Sen. McConnell at door to USBD

2 - STM holding a bar of "working" gold from West Point Mint (not gold from USBD)

#### In #4 email

1 – Gov Bevin signing visitor log

2 - STM holding bar of "deep storage" gold inside freshly opened compartment inside USBD vault

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:06 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #1 \_DSC0373.JPG; \_DSC0478.JPG

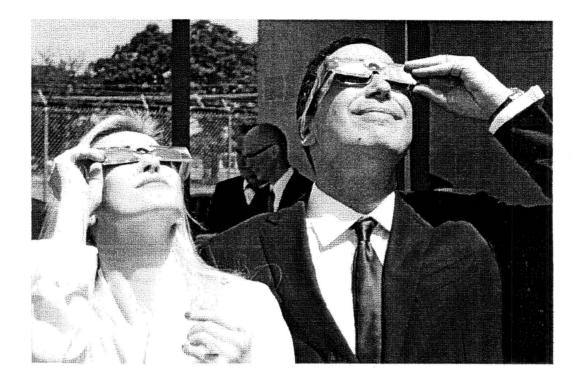
ASM Kinsley,

Here is the first email with photos from today. Each photo is very large. For this reason – I must limit them to only 2-3 with each email.

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See the attached. More to follow.





FOIA release note: photograph taken outside the Search House of the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox



FOIA release note: photograph taken in the parking lot of the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox

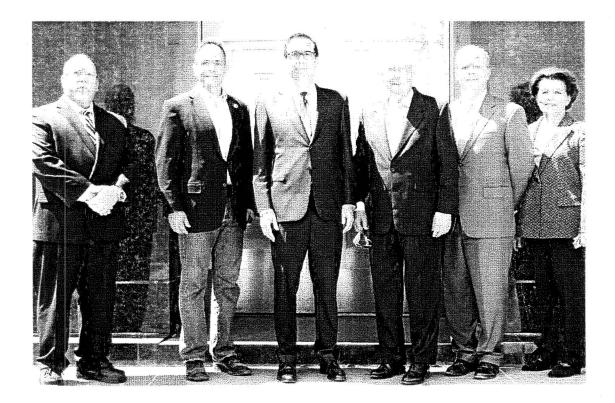
From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:11 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #2 \_DSC0534.JPG; \_DSC0537.JPG

ASM Kinsley,

Here is the  $2^{nd}$  email with photos from this afternoon's visit to the USBD.

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FOIA release note: photograph taken on the steps of the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox



FOIA release note: photograph taken on the steps of the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

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Monday, August 21, 2017 8:14 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #3 \_DSC0542.JPG; DSC\_8605.JPG

ASM Kinsley,

Here is the third email with photos from today.

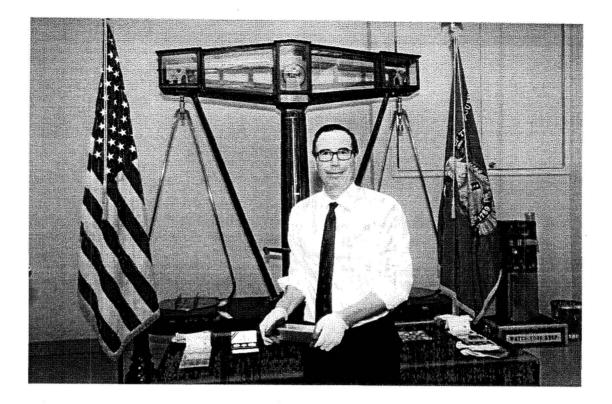
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See the attached. More to follow.



FOIA release note: photograph taken on the steps of the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox





FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:26 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #4 DSC\_8652.JPG; DSC\_8724.JPG

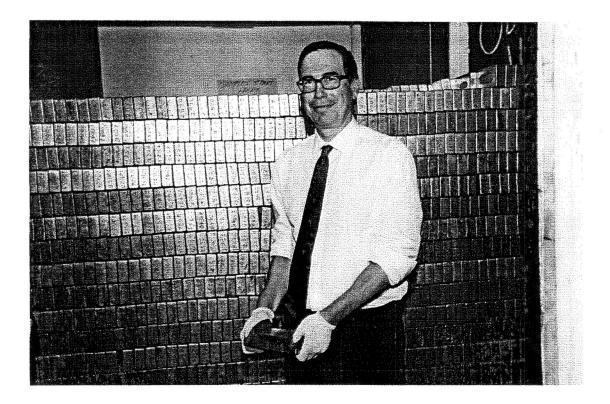
ASM Kinsley,

Here is the fourth email with photos from today.

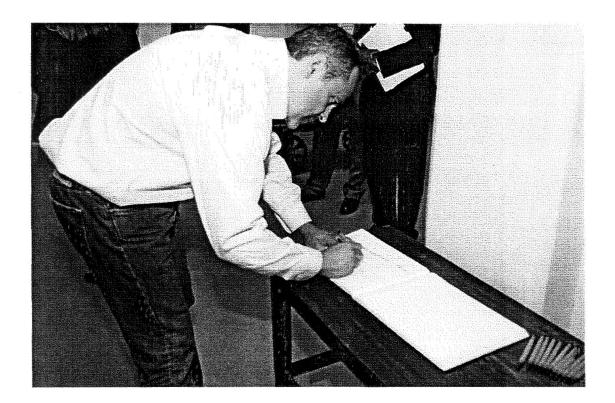
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FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox



FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:33 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #5 (Sen McConnell holding bar in compartment & Gov Bevin holding bar in compartment) DSC\_8729JPG; DSC\_8731JPG

ASM Kinsley,

Attachments:

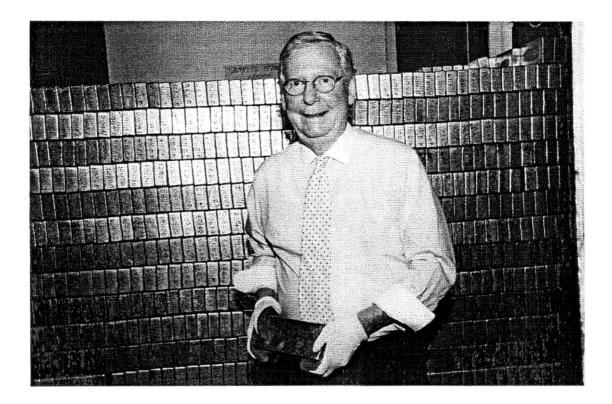
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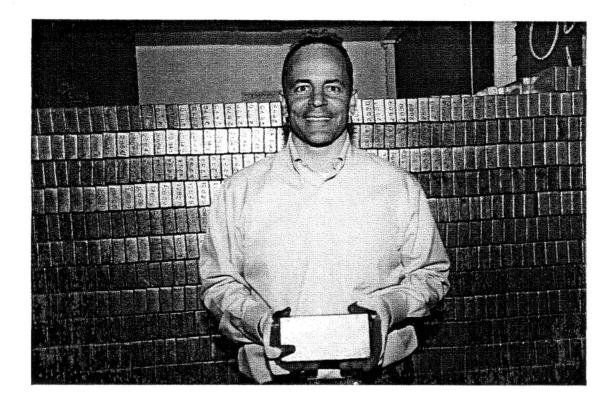
1 - Senator McConell holding bar of deep storage gold in freshly opened compartment in USBD

2 - Gov Bevin holding bar of deep storage gold in freshly opened compartment in USBD





FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox



FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:38 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #6 (Rep Guthrie & Treasurer Carranza holding gold bar in USBD compartment) DSC\_8734.JPG; DSC\_8737.JPG

ASM Kinsley,

Attachments:

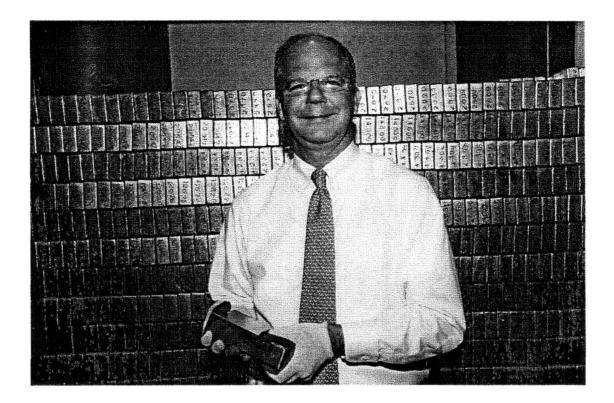
Here is the sixth email with photos from today.

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1 - Rep Guthrie holding bar of deep-storage gold in freshly opened compartment in USBD

2 - Treasurer Carranza holding bar of deep-storage gold in freshly opened compartment in USBD

See the attached. More to follow.



FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox



FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:44 PM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #7 (Treasurer Carranza holding bar of deep storage gold; STM signing wall inside of compartment at USBD) DSC\_8739.JPG; DSC\_8746.JPG

Attachments:

ASM Kinsley,

Here is the seventh email with photos from today.

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1 - Treasurer Carranza holding bar of deep storage gold in freshly opened compartment in USBD

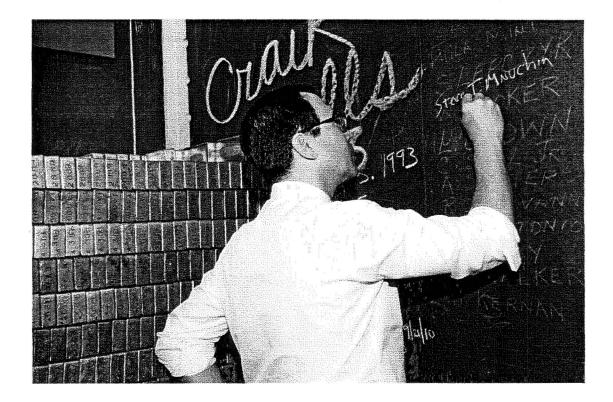
2 - STM signing inside of compartment holding deep storage gold at USBD

See the attached. More to follow.





FOIA release note: photograph taken inside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox



From:	
Sent:	Monday, August 21, 2017 8:47 PM
To:	Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov
Cc:	Motl, David
Subject:	Photos - #8 (STM standing next to where he signed inside of USBD deep storage gold
	compartment)
Attachments:	DSC_8750.JPG

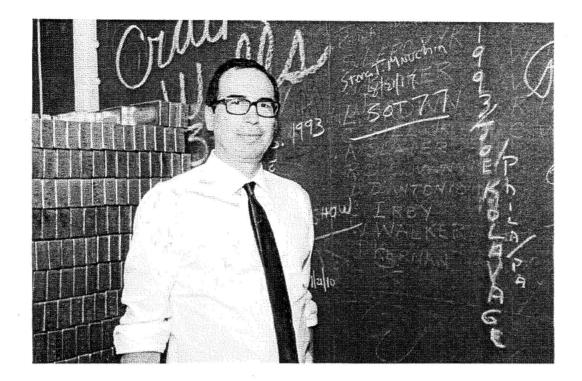
ASM Kinsley,

Here is the eight email with photos from today.

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1 – STM next to where he signed inside of USBD deep storage gold compartment

See the attached. More to follow.



From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 8:34 AM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #9 image1JPG; image2JPG; image3JPG

ASM Kinsley,

Here is the 9th email with photos from yesterday's event. We're sending the photos in a smaller size to increase the throughput speed.

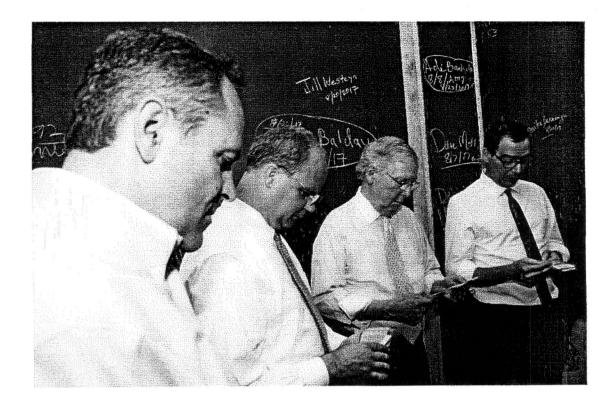
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1 - STM and Sen McConnell both holding bar of "working" gold from West Point Mint.

- 2 Treasurer Carranza holding bar of "working" gold from West Point Mint.
- 3 Gov Bevin, Rep Guthrie, Sen McConnell, and STM inside compartment within vault at USBD







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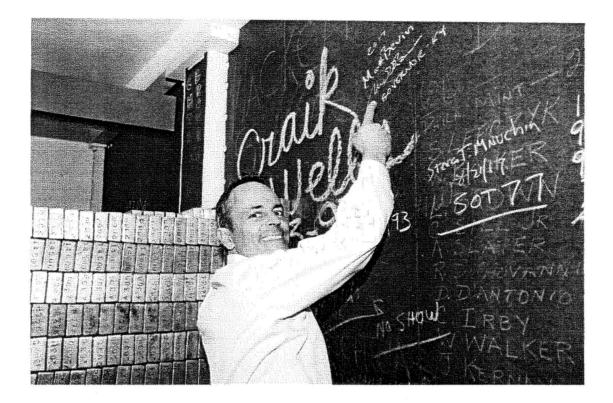
Tuesday, August 22, 2017 8:39 AM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #10 image1.JPG; image2.JPG; image3.JPG

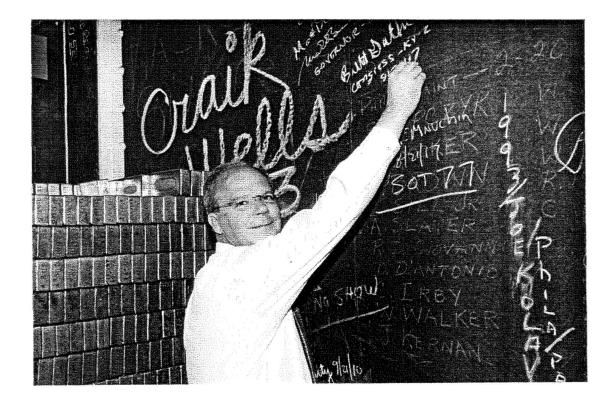
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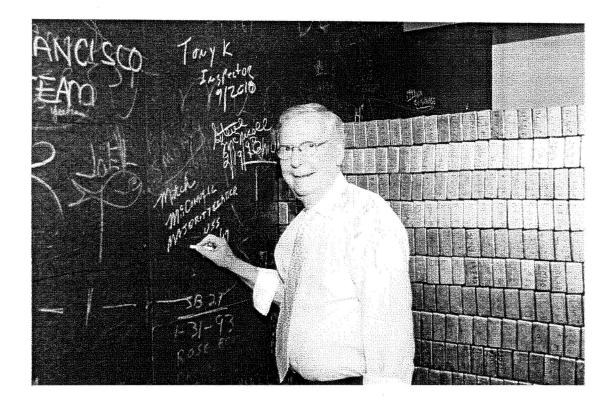
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- 1 Gov Bevin next to where he signed inside of compartment within USBD vault
- 2 Rep Guthrie next to where he signed inside of compartment within USBD vault
- 3 Sen McConnell next to where he signed inside of compartment within USBD vault







From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 8:49 AM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #11 image1JPG; image2.JPG; Bevin - working gold.jpg; STM & Field Chief Booth - Double Eagles.jpg; Motl O'Connor Bevin Guthrie McConnell STM inside compartment.jpg

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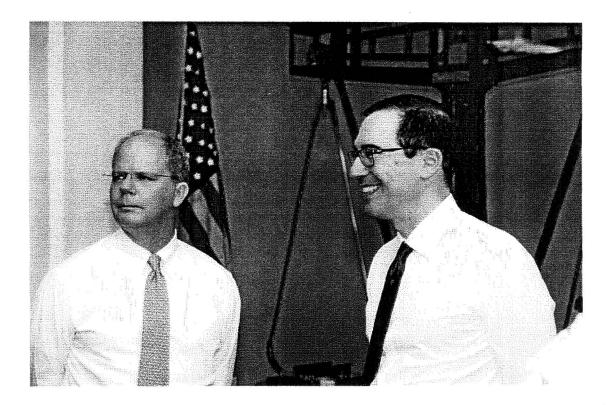
1 - STM and Rep. Guthrie preparing to enter vault within USBD

2 - Gov. Bevin and Treasurer Carranza preparing to enter vault within USBD

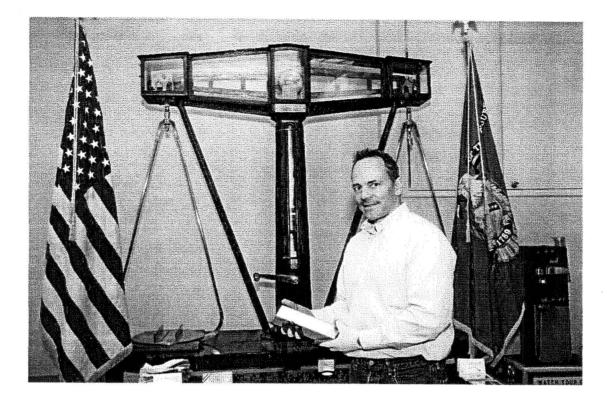
3 - Gov. Bevin holding "working" gold from West Point Mint

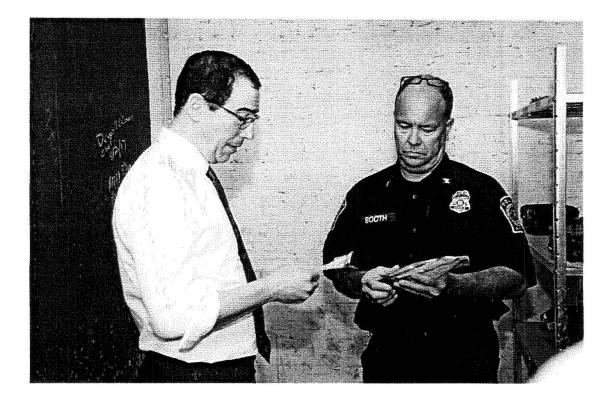
4 - STM and Field Chief Lee Booth inspecting 1933 "Double Eagle" coins inside compartment within USBD

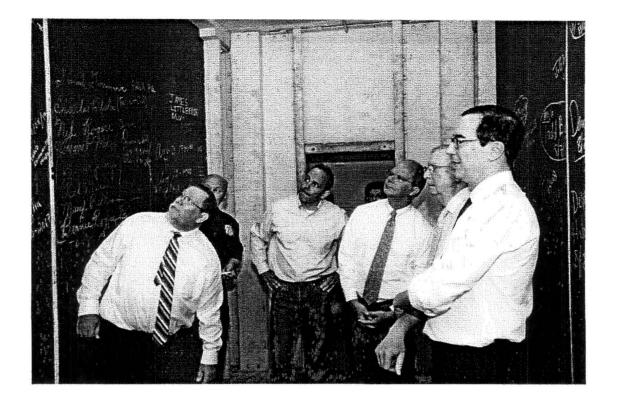
5 - Acting Deputy Director Motl, Chief of Police O'Connor, Gov Bevin, Rep Guthrie, Sen McConnell, and STM inside compartment within USBD vault











From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:19 AM Johnson, Thomas V. Motl, David FW: Photos - #12

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See message below from ASM Kinsley.

I will forward the rest of the photos that Jill has sent.

Smaller size is a huge improvement. Thank you. We'll request the higher-fidelity version If we need any for specific printing.

Kody

Kody H. Kinsley Assistant Secretary for Management U.S. Department of the Treasury 202-927-5639

-----Original Message-----

@usmint.treas.gov]

From: @usmint.tro Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:10 AM To: Kinsley, Kody <Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov> Cc: Motl, David A. <David.Motl@usmint.treas.gov> Subject: Photos - #12

ASM Kinsley,

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1 - STM and Sen McConnell with Field Chief Booth inside compartment within USBD vault

2 - STM examining historical photos of last visit to USBD (from 1974)

3 - STM signing visitor log at USBD

From:	Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov
Sent:	Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:17 AM
То:	
Cc:	Motl. David
Subject:	RE: Photos - #12

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:10 AM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #12 image1.JPG; image2.JPG; STM holding bar of working gold from West Point Mint.jpg; Rep Guthrie holding bar of working gold from West Point Mint.jpg; STM signing visitor log for USBD.jpg

ASM Kinsley,

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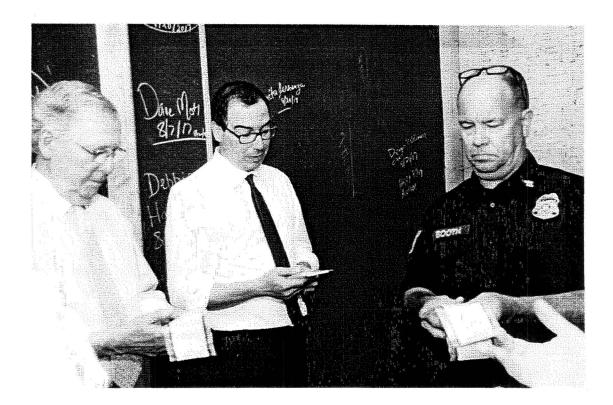
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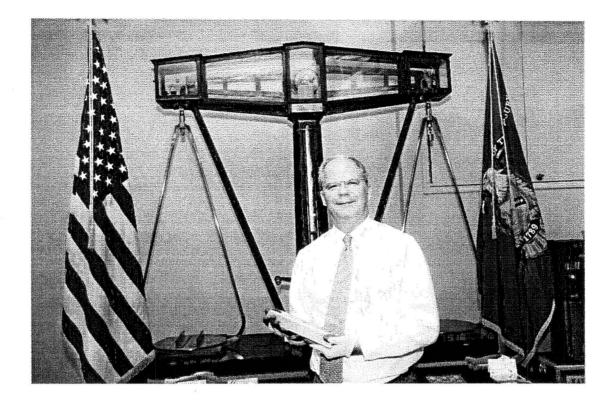
3 - STM signing visitor log at USBD

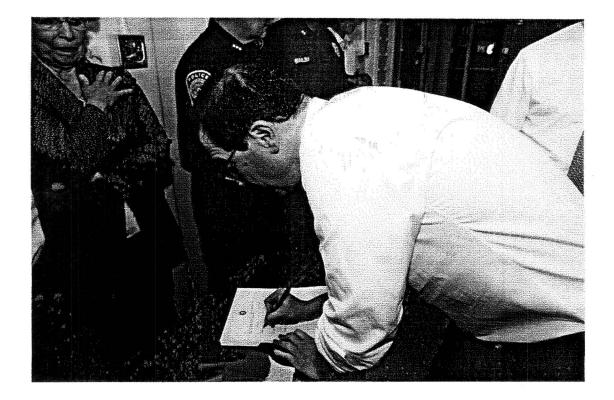












From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:29 AM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #13 image1.JPG; image2.JPG; image4.JPG; Acting Deputy Director Motl, Treasurer Carranza, Chief O'Connor at USBD.jpg; Gov Bevin and Rep Guthrie preparing to enter USBD.jpg; Gov Bevin and Rep Guthrie preparing to enter USBD - wide view.jpg; Gov Bevin and Rep Guthrie viewing eclipse from steps of USBD.jpg

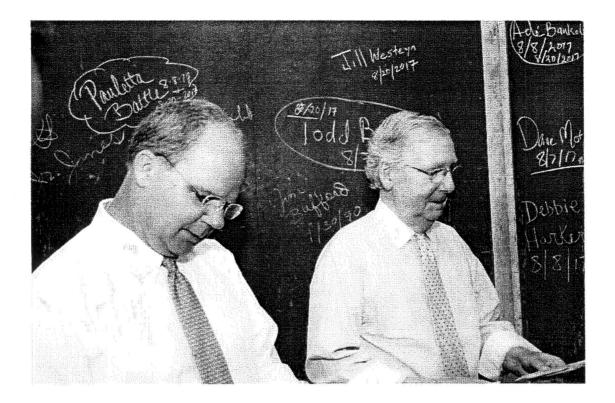
ASM Kinsley,

Here is the 13th email with photos from yesterday's event. We're sending the photos in a smaller size to increase the throughput speed.

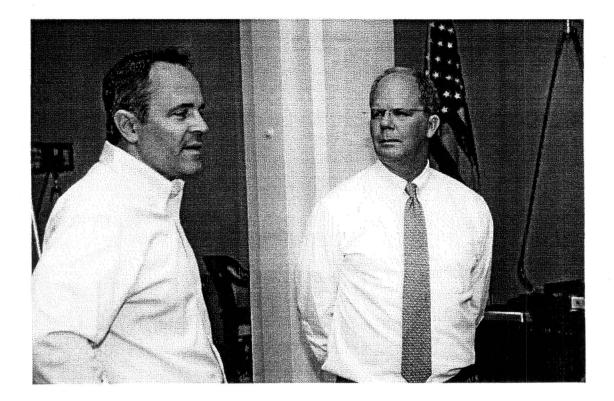
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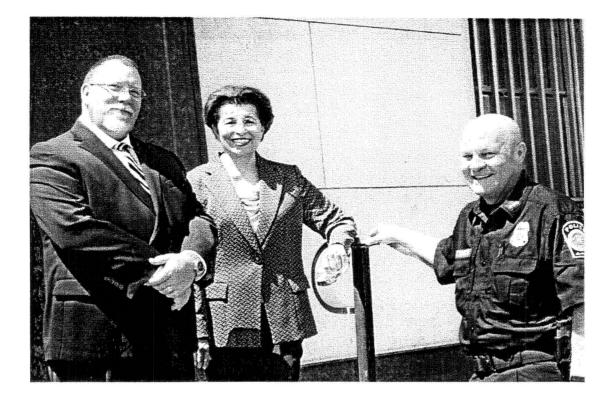
1 - Rep Guthrie & Sen McConnell both inspecting 1933 "Double Eagle" coins inside compartment within vault of USBD

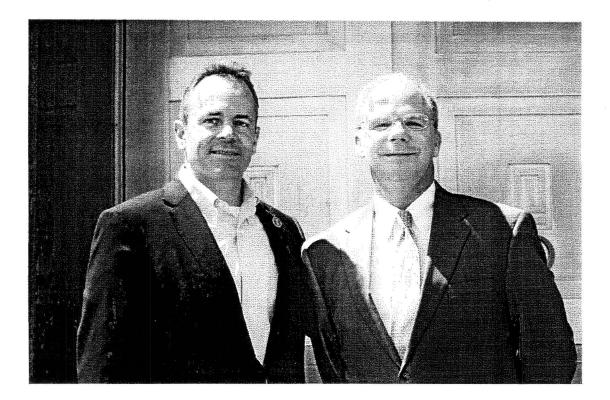
- 2 STM and Acting Deputy Director Motl preparing to enter vault at USBD
- 3 Gov Bevin & Rep Guthrie preparing to enter vault at USBD
- 4 Acting Deputy Director Motl, Treasurer Carranza, and Chief of Police O'Connor on steps of USBD
- 5 Gov Bevin and Rep Guthrie preparing to enter USBD
- 6 Gov Bevin and Rep Guthrie preparing to enter USBD wide view
- 7 Gov Bevin and Rep Guthrie viewing eclipse from steps of USBD

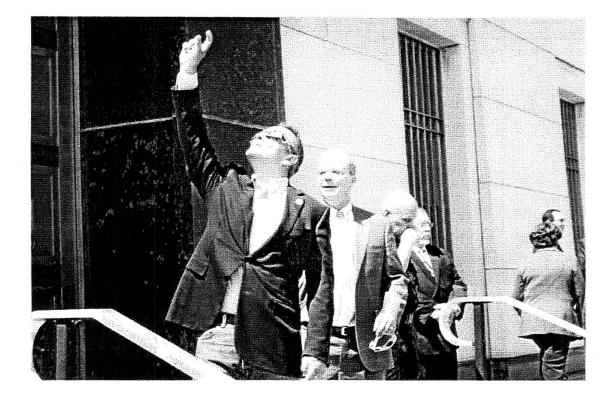












From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:35 AM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #14 image1.JPG; image2.JPG; image3.JPG; Rep Guthrie & Treasurer Carranza on steps of USBD.jpg; STM outside of USBD - close up.jpg; STM. Sen McConnell, and Rep Guthrie on steps of USBD.jpg

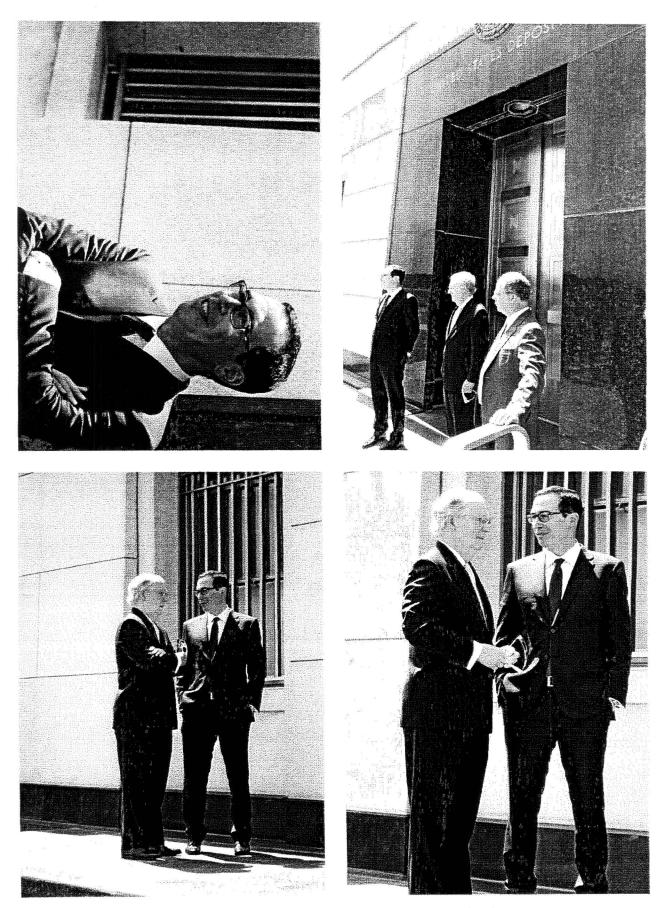
ASM Kinsley,

Here is the 14th email with photos from yesterday's event.

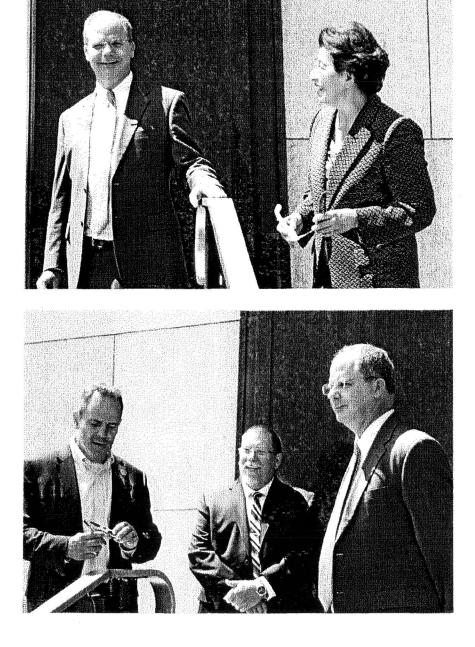
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- 1 STM and Sen McConnell on steps of USBD
- 2 STM and Sen McConnell on steps of USBD close up
- 3 Gov Bevin, Acting Deputy Director Motl, and Rep Guthrie on steps of USBD
- 4 Rep Guthrie & Treasurer Carranza on step of USBD
- 5 STM just outside of USBD (close up)
- 6 STM, Sen McConnell, and Rep Guthrie on steps of USBD





US Mint 000069



FOIA release note: photographs taken on the steps of the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox

US Mint 000070

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Tuesday, August 22. 2017 9:43 AM Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov Motl, David Photos - #15 image1JPG; image2JPG; image3JPG; Rep Guthrie, Sen McConnell, and Gov Bevin approach USBD.jpg; Rep Guthrie & Sen McConnell approach USBD.jpg; Treasurer Carranza and Gov Bevin approach USBD.jpg

ASM Kinsley,

Here is the 15th email with photos from yesterday's event.

NOTE: All photos need to be released/published with the following: U.S. Mint photo by Jill Westeyn

1 - Acting Deputy Director Molt and Gov Bevin on steps of USBD

- 2 STM and Acting Deputy Director Motl lead visitors toward USBD (facility not visible)
- 3 STM and Acting Deputy Director Motl approach USBD (facility not visible)
- 4 Rep Guthrie, Sen McConnell, and Gov Bevin approach USBD (facility not visible)
- 5 Rep Guthrie and Sen McConnell approach USBD (facility not visible)
- 6 Treasurer Carranza and Gov Bevin approach USBD (facility not visible)

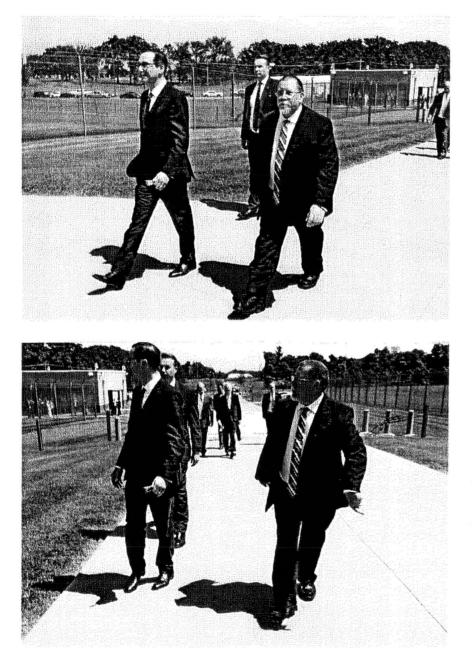


US Mint 000072

FOIA release note: photographs taken outside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox



US Mint 000073



FOIA release note: photographs taken outside the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Monday, August 14, 2017 2:30 PM Motl, David RE: Run of Show

Thank you, Sir

From: Motl, David Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 2:24 PM To: O'Connor, Dennis ; Bailey, Bill R. ; Booth, Lee ; Cc: Croft, David ; Gentry, Jean Subject: Fwd: Run of Show

FYL

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: <<u>Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov</u>> Date: August 14, 2017 at 2:15:48 PM EDT To: <<u>David.Motl@usmint.treas.gov</u>>, <<u>Constant @oig.treas.gov</u>> Cc: <<u>Jovita.Carranza@treasury.gov</u>> Subject: Run of Show

Dave &

The Secretary has approved the run-of-show to include viewing the eclipse from the roof (very excited). Jovita will kindly join me on Sunday for our dry-run/prep.

Visit with Eclipse Viewing - 8/21/17

14:00 Arrive at USBD/ Greeting by Mint personnel

14:05 General security screening for all visitors

14:25 proceed to rooftop, view eclipse (15 minutes)

14:40 Proceed to Filed Chiefs office to begin processing for vault access

14:50 Security processing for access to vault

15:25 Briefing by Mint staff (15 minutes)

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### 15:40 Tour gold reserve (35 minutes)

### 16:15 Exit vault

16:30 Depart USBD

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Kody H. Kinsley Assistant Secretary for Management U.S. Department of the Treasury 202-927-5639

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From:	Booth, Lee
Sent:	Monday, August 21, 2017 6:05 PM
To:	Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov
Subject:	RE: Kentucky Update Chain
Thank you my friend	l.
Lee	
	@treasury.gov [mailto:Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov] ast 21, 2017 5:53 PM
To: Alden Wood att	
	ury.gov; Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov; @ @treasury.gov;
	asury.gov; asury@usss.dhs.gov; @usss.dhs.gov; Booth, Lee;
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Subject: Re: Kentuc	ky Update Chain
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From:	atreasury.gov>
	17 at 4:43:03 PM EDT
	<u>Alden, Wood@treasury.gov&gt;</u> , <u>@usss.dhs.gov</u> < <u>@usss.dhs.gov</u> >,
	<u>Sayegh@treasury.gov</u> >, Carranza, Jovita < <u>Jovita.Carranza@treasury.gov</u> >,
	USARMY USAG (US) < <u>mail.mil</u> >,
	<u>biaussichts.gov</u> >, <u>aussichts.gov</u> >, Booth, <u>biausmint.treas.gov</u> >, <u>aussichts.gov</u>
	sss.dhs.gov>, Smith, Joseph <joseph.smith@treasury.gov>,</joseph.smith@treasury.gov>
	easury.gov>, Kinsley, Kody < <u>Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov</u> >
Cc	$\widehat{a}$ treasury.gov>. $\widehat{a}$ treasury.gov>. $\widehat{a}$ treasury.gov>.
	Dtreasury.gov>
Subject: Re: Kentuc	
Wheels UP. The Sec	retary should land at Andrews at 6:00 PM.
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From:	@ureasury.gov>
Date: August 21, 20	17 at 4:15:21 PM EDT
To:	sss.dhs.gov
	@mail.mil>, Smith, Joseph < <u>Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov&gt;</u> , Sayegh, Tony
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<Lee.Booth@usmint.treas.gov>,

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Cc:	(a)treasury.gov>,
$\widehat{w}$ treasury.gov>,	@treasury.gov>
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Cha	in

Sorry for the email before the Secretary has not gone wheels up yet but is boarded on the plane.

From: <u>atreasury.gov</u> >
Date: August 21, 2017 at 4:13:39 PM EDT
To: <u>@treasury.gov</u> >, Wood, Alden < <u>Alden.Wood@treasury.gov</u> >,
@usss.dhs.gov>,
a)usss.dhs.gov>,
Kinsley, Kody <kody.kinsley@treasury.gov>, CIV USARMY USAG (US)</kody.kinsley@treasury.gov>
, Booth, Robert L. <lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>, Sayegh, Tony</lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>
< <u>Tony.Sayegh@treasury.gov</u> >, Carranza, Jovita < <u>lovita.Carranza@treasury.gov</u> >, <u>@usss.dhs.gov</u>
@usss.dhs.gov>, Smith, Joseph <joseph.smith@treasury.gov></joseph.smith@treasury.gov>
<b>Cc:</b> $\hat{w}$ treasury.goy>, l
@treasury.gov>,
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain
The Secretary is Wheels up. Flight Time is 1 hour 15 minutes. Estimated arrival time is
From: (a)treasury.gov>
Date: August 21. 2017 at 3:57:10 PM EDT
<b>To: Booth, Robert L.</b> <lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>, Wood, Alden <alden.wood@treasury.gov>,</alden.wood@treasury.gov></lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>
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<tony.savegh@treasury.gov>,</tony.savegh@treasury.gov>
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<jovita carranza@treasury.gov="">, CIV USARMY USAG (US)</jovita>
@mail.mil>
$\widehat{a}$ treasury.gov>, $\widehat{a}$ treasury.gov>,
atreasury.gov>
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain
The Secretary is departing USBD en route Ft. Knox Godman Airfield. Drive time 5 minutes.
( <i>a</i> )treasury.gov>
Date: August 21, 2017 at 1:48:44 PM EDT
To: Sayegh, Tony < <u>Tony.Sayegh@treasury.gov</u> >, CIV USARMY USAG (US)
a)mail.mil>,     a)mail.mil>,
< <u>Lee.Booth@usmint.treas.gov&gt;. Smith. Joseph <joseph.smith@treasury.gov></joseph.smith@treasury.gov></u> ,
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<<u>Kody,Kinsley@treasury.gov</u>>, Carranza, Jovita <<u>Jovita.Carranza@treasury.gov</u>>,

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	<u>(@usss.dhs.g</u>	<u>w&gt;, Wood, Alden <alden wood@treasury.gov=""></alden></u>
	Cc: (a)treasury.ge	$\overline{(a)}$ treasury.gov>.
		rv.gov>

Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain

The Secretary is arriving to the USBD. There will be no phones inside the facility. We are scheduled to leave the facility around 4:30 PM.

From:	@treasury.gov>	
Date: August 21, 2017 at 1:37:10 PM	EDT	
To:	hs.gov>, Carranza, Jovita <1	lovita.Carranza@treasury.gov>, Kinsley,
Kody <kody.kinsley@treasury.gov>,</kody.kinsley@treasury.gov>	@usss.dhs.gov	@usss.dhs.gov>.
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$\widehat{n}$	usss.dhs.gov>,	@treasury.gov>, Booth,
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Direasury.gov>,		reasury.gov>
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain		

The Secretary is about 10 minutes away from the US Bullion Depository.

From: (a)treasury.gov>

Date: August 21, 2017 at 12:52:11 PM EDT	
To: Booth. Robert L. <lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>, Sn</lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>	nith, Joseph < <u>Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov</u> >,
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Cc: <i>@treasury.gov</i> >,	@treasury.gov>.
@treasury.gov>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain

Secretary Mnuchin and Leader McConnell are departing the GLI event now. The drive time will be about 50 minutes.

From:

@treasurv.gov>

Date: August 21, 2017 at 11:27:29 AM EDT To: Wood. Alden <<u>Alden.Wood@treasury.gov</u>>, Sayegh, Tony <<u>Tony.Sayegh@treasury.gov</u>>, Carranza, Jovita <<u>Jovita.Carranza@treasury.gov</u>>,

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L. <lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>, Smith, J</lee.booth@usmint.treas.gov>	oseph < <u>Joseph.Smith@trea</u>	sury.gov>,
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Ce:	@treasury.gov>,	<u>@treasury.gov</u> >.
<i>@ireasury</i>	<u>, gov</u> >,	@treasury.gov>
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain		

The Secretary has arrived to the GLI event. First part will be the VIP reception followed by the VIP lunch.

From: @treasury.goy>	
Date: August 21, 2017 at 10:33:35 AM EDT	
To: <u>atreasury.gov</u> >,	<u>@usss.dhs.gov</u> >. Kinsley
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@treasurv.gov>	

Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain

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# From: Smith, Joseph < Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov>

Date: August 21, 2017 at 10:27:33 AM EDT
To: <u>@mail.mil</u> >,
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@usss.dhs.gov>, Wood, Alden < <u>Alden.Wood@treasury.gov&gt;</u> ,
<u>@usss.dhs.gov</u> >, Sayegh, Tony < <u>Tony.Sayegh@treasury.gov</u> >,
@usss.dhs.gov>, Kinsley, Kody <kody.kinsley@treasury.gov>, Wusss.dhs.gov</kody.kinsley@treasury.gov>
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< <u>Jovita.Carranza@treasury.gov</u> >
Cc: <u>altreasury.gov</u> >,
a)treasury.gov>
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain
Wheels down Ft Knox
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From: <u>atreasury.gov&gt;</u>
Date: August 21, 2017 at 9:18:52 AM EDT

To: Wood, Alden < <u>Alden.Wood@treasury.gov</u> >,	, White, Mark < @usss.dhs.gov>, Carranza, Jovi	ta
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< <u>loseph.Smith@treasury.gov</u> >, Booth, J	Robert L. < <u>Lee.Booth@usmint.treas.gov</u> >
Ce	<u>@treasury.gov</u> >
Subject: Kentucky Update Chain	

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The Secretary went wheels up from JBA 10 minutes ago and it should be about a 90 minute flight to Ft. Knox - Goldman Airfield.

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From:	Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov	
Sent:	Monday, August 21, 2017 4:27 PM	
To:	Jovita.Carranza@treasury.gov;	@usss.dhs.gov;
	@usss.dhs.gov;	civ@mail.mil;
	Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov;	@usss.dhs.gov; Tony.Sayegh@treasury.gov;
	@usss.dhs.gov;	@treasury.gov;
	@treasury.gov; Booth,	Lee; Alden.Wood@treasury.gov
Cc:	@treasury.gov;	@treasury.gov;
	@treasury.gov	
Subject:	Re: Kentucky Update Chain	
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Too much traffic in the area...holding for 15-20 min before takeoff.

From: Date: August 21, 2017 at 4:15:21 PM EDT To: Sayegh, Tony, Smith, Joseph, CIV USARMY USAG (US), Sooth, Booth, Robert L., Kinsley, Kody, Carranza, Jovita, Wood, Alden, Carranza, Jovita, Wood, Cc: Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain Sorry for the email before the Secretary has not gone wheels up yet but is boarded on the plane.
From         Date: August 21, 2017 at 4:13:39 PM EDT         To:       Wood, Alden , White, Mark ,         Kinsley, Kody , :       CIV USARMY USAG (US) , Booth, Robert L. , Sayegh, Tony ,         Carranza, Jovita ,       @usss.dhs.gov , Smith, Joseph         Cc:       Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain         The Secretary is Wheels up. Flight Time is 1 hour 15 minutes. Estimated arrival time is
From: Date: August 21, 2017 at 3:57:10 PM EDT To: Booth, Robert L. , Wood, Alden , @usss.dhs.gov , Kinsley, Kody , Sayegh, Tony , Circuit a , Circuit

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Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain

The Secretary is departing USBD en route Ft. Knox Godman Airfield. Drive time 5 minutes.

From: Littlefair, James		
Date: August 21, 2017 at 1:48:44 PM ED	T	
To: Sayegh, Tony ,	CIV USARMY USAG (US) ,	Booth, Robert L.,
Smith, Joseph ,	@usss.dhs.gov , Kinsley, Kody , Car	ranza, Jovita ,
	Wood, Alden	
CC:		
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain		
The Secretary is arriving to the USBD. The facility around 4:30 PM.	nere will be no phones inside the facil	ity. We are scheduled to leave
From: Date: August 21, 2017 at 1:37:10 PM ED To: CiV USARMY USAG (US) , Joseph , Sayegh, Tony Cc:	ley, Kody , richard.nord@usss.dhs.go	v , James , Booth,
Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain		
The Secretary is about 10 minutes away From: Date: August 21, 2017 at 12:52:11 PM E To: Alden , CIV USARMY USAG (US) ,	DT , Kinsley, Kody , , Sayegh, Tony ,	Carranza, Jovita , Wood, @usss.dhs.gov ,
Cc: Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain		
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From:		
Date: August 21, 2017 at 11:27:29 AM E		Kinsley Kody
To: Wood, Alden , Sayegh, Tony , Carrar	nza, jovita ,	Kinsley, Kody ,
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CIV USARMY USAG (US) , @usss.dhs.gov , Booth, Robert L. , Smith, Joseph , Cc: Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain
The Secretary has arrived to the GLI event. First part will be the VIP reception followed by the VIP lunch.
From: Date: August 21, 2017 at 10:33:35 AM EDT To: Nor Kinsley, Kody , Smith, Joseph, Carranza, Jovita , Wood, Alden , Sayegh, Dusss.dhs.gov , Booth, Robert L. , CIV USARMY USAG (US) Cc: Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain
Drive time to the GLI event will be about 50 minutes.
From: Smith, Joseph Date: August 21, 2017 at 10:27:33 AM EDT To: Wood, Alden , Sayegh, Tony , Subject: Re: Kentucky Update Chain
Wheels down Ft Knox
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From: Date: August 21, 2017 at 9:18:52 AM EDT To: Wood, Alden , Carranza, Jovita , Outson Ou

The Secretary went wheels up from JBA 10 minutes ago and it should be about a 90 minute flight to Ft. Knox - Goldman Airfield.

From:	@treasury.gov
Sent:	Monday, August 21, 2017 9:58 AM
То:	brian.smith@mail.house.gov; Mark.Lord@mail.house.gov; Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov;
	Stephanie.Nelson@ky.gov; Jason.McGinniss@uscp.gov; Toby.Young@ky.gov;
	Terry_Carmack@mcconnell.senate.gov; Karen.Yates@ky.gov; Benefician Booth, Lee;
	Pusss.dhs.gov; Jason.Chung@treasury.gov
Cc:	@treasury.gov
Subject:	Re: Ft. Knox visit briefing

Hello everybody,

We are looking forward to this afternoon. Please remember the following two rules for today including the principles:

Please remember to leave all phones and other electronics in the vehicles.

Please bring a valid Drivers License or PIV card with a bar code.

Please call or email me if any issues come up this afternoon.

Thank you,

From: Littlefair, James

Date: August 18, 2017 at 3:56:48 PM EDT

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To: brian.smith@mail.house.gov , Chung, Jason , Toby.Young@ky.gov ,

Mark.Lord@mail.house.gov , Terry\_Carmack@mcconnell.senate.gov , Booth, Robert L. ,

Stephanie.Nelson@ky.gov, Smith, Jason.McGinniss@uscp.gov, Karen.Yates@ky.gov, Smith, Joseph

Cc:

Subject: Re: Ft. Knox visit briefing

Hello everyone,

I am Secretary Mnuchin's advance lead for the Fort Knox visit.

I have two important announcements:

Everybody coming to the US Bullion Depository will need a valid drivers license or PIV Card. This includes all principles.

Everybody will also need to keep all phones and electronics in the vehicles. They are not allowed into the facility whatsoever. This also includes all principles.

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I am currently on the ground in Louisville please reach out to me if you have any questions at all regarding the visit.

Thanks,

# From: Smith, Joseph

Date: August 17, 2017 at 6:38:43 PM EDT

To: \_\_\_\_\_, Posey, Kathi A. , brian.smith@mail.house.gov , Toby.Young@ky.gov ,

Karen.Yates@ky.gov, Jason.McGinniss@uscp.gov, Chung, Jason, Terry\_Carmack@mcconnell.senate.gov, Gallagher, Marcy, Mark.Lord@mail.house.gov, Booth, Robert L., Stephanie.Nelson@ky.gov

Cc:

Subject: Ft. Knox visit briefing Importance: High

All,

1 am attaching here the Ft. Knox visit run of show for your principal's review and awareness. If there are any questions regarding this event/visit, please do not hesitate to reach out. **Construction**, cc'd here, will serve as our advance lead for the visit and will be on the ground tomorrow.

Thank you all for the assistance in making this historic visit a success for everyone involved. Regards,

Joey Smith Director of Operations 202-622-1967 Joseph.Smith@Treasury.gov From: Sent: To: Subject: Bailey, Bill R. Monday, August 14, 2017 1:51 PM O'Connor, Dennis Fwd: Updated Ft. Knox date

Dennis - Joey's contact number is at the bottom of this email.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

------ Original message ------From: "Motl, David" Date: 7/20/17 6:06 PM (GMT-05:00) To: "O'Connor, Dennis", "Bailey, Bill R.", "Booth, Lee", "McNally, Kristie" Subject: Fwd: Updated Ft. Knox date

FYI

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: <<u>Joseph.Smith@treasury.gov</u>> Date: July 20, 2017 at 4:23:30 PM EDT To: <<u>David.Motl@usmint.treas.gov</u>>, <<u>Jovita.Carranza@treasury.gov</u>> Cc: <<u>Kody.Kinsley@treasury.gov</u>> Subject: Updated Ft. Knox date

Jovita/Dave-

Due to changes in the Secretary's schedule, we have moved the Ft. Knox visit date to August 21st. The afternoon timing of the visit will remain the same.

More updates to come, but please update your calendars accordingly.

Thanks,

Joey Smith Director of Operations 202-622-1967 Joseph.Smith@Treasury.gov

# <u>Run of show</u> <u>VIP visit to United States Bullion Depository</u> <u>Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup></u>

For the purposes of this document, "VIPs" refers to the following seven (7) individuals:

- Secretary of the Treasury Steve Mnuchin
- Senator Mitch McConnell
- Representative Brett Guthrie
- Governor Matt Bevin
- Assistant Secretary for Management Kody Kinsley
- Treasurer Jovita Carranza

ASM Kinsley and Treasurer Carranza will arrive at the United States Bullion Depository (USBD) during the morning of August 21. The motorcade for the other VIPs is expected to arrive at the USBD at approximately 2:00 pm.

- United States Mint (Mint) staff will be posted at the entry gate to Fort Knox, so as to ensure 1:30 pm the VIP motorcade proceeds directly to the USBD. 2:00 pm Upon arrival at the USBD, the VIPs will be greeted by Mint personnel. All vehicles in the VIP motorcade will have assigned parking spaces in the USBD parking lot. In the event members of media arrive to cover the visit, the Mint will have a media area (located in a maintenance facility located adjacent to the parking area). 2:05 pm All VIPs and members of their entourage will proceed through general security screening E) 2:20 pm VIPs and their staff members who they choose to accompany them into the USBD will walk . Upon entry to the USBD, Mint staff will lead the VIPs and their staff members to the roof of the facility to view the solar eclipse. Fort Knox is approximately 142 miles north of the "Path of Totality." The solar eclipse is projected to reach its maximum viewing potential at 2:30 pm. The Mint has procured viewing glasses for VIPs and their staff to view the eclipse safely.
- 2:40 pm Following the eclipse viewing, VIPs will proceed to the USBD's 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room. Once in the room, they will receive a brief (7-8 minutes) presentation about the USBD, its history, and the restrictions on sharing any information related to the facility's security. The presentation will be made by Dave Motl, the Mint's Acting Deputy Director and senior career official. During this presentation, Mint & IG staff who are required to be present in the vault will be processed through vault security. During the presentation, any aides to VIPs and

Treasury staff members who are not going inside the vault will be brought to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor kitchenette. At the conclusion of the presentation, the VIPs will be escorted to the office of USBD Field Chief Lee Booth to begin processing for access to the USBD vault. At this time, the aides to VIPs and Treasury staff who are not going inside the vault will be escorted to the USBD's 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room where light refreshments will be available.

2:50 pm

Each VIP will go through security processing individually.

In compliance with the U.S. Mint Directive 8H-1 Chapter 8 Finances – Custodial Deep Storage Asset, members of the Department's Office of Inspector General (IG), as well as designated representatives of the Director of the Mint must be present when any compartment containing gold is opened. To avoid any unnecessary delays, those IG and Mint staff will be processed through the vault security <u>prior</u> to the arrival of the VIPs. The only three staff who will go through security in addition to the VIPs will be: Dave Motl – Acting Deputy Director (and senior career official) of the Mint; Dennis O'Connor – Chief of Mint Police; and, Field Chief Lee Booth – senior official at the USBD.

- 3:25 pm Once all the VIPs have cleared vault security, they will have the opportunity to inspect and handle an actual bar of "working" gold from the Mint facility at West Point. (Reminder unlike the "working" gold at West Point, the gold stored at the USBD is not used for making coins.)
- 3:40 pm Upon entering the vault, the compartment directly in front of the entrance will be open for inspection. This compartment is completely empty so as to provide the VIPs a more complete understanding of the size of each compartment.

The VIPs will be escorted (in a single group) to the lower-level to the vault where one of the compartments will be open for inspection.

compartment to inspect and handle the high-value assets stored within:

- Ten (10) "1933 Double Eagle" gold coins recently returned to the custody of the Mint
- 1974 aluminum penny
- Sacagawea \$1 coins which were official cargo on a NASA Space Shuttle mission.

Talking points describing the significance of these high-value assets are attached.

3:50 pm

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Each VIP will be permitted to enter the compartment to view the deep storage gold stored within. The two staff members from the IG and Mint will provide gloves to each VIP so they may handle one of the bars of gold. A photographer from the Mint will be present to take photos each VIP standing inside the compartment holding a bar of gold with 25,000+ more bars of gold directly behind them.

To comply with security and audit requirements, no bars of gold may be removed from the compartment. However, each VIP will be given ample opportunity to see, inspect, and handle the gold while inside the compartment.

Once the VIP group has finished their inspection of the gold inside the compartment, they and the two staff members from IG and Mint will exit the compartment and the door will be closed. VIPs will be offered the opportunity to sign the "witness document" which will accompany the new seal affixed to the closed compartment as a testament of their visit.

While the IG and Mint staff complete each of the steps required to re-seal of the compartment, the VIPs will be escorted outside the vault to the holding area where they received the presentation from Mint Acting Deputy Director Motl. The VIPs will once again have the opportunity to view and handle the bar of "working" gold from West Point.

#### 4:15 pm VIPs will begin the exit screening process.

While the VIPs go through the exit screening process, Mint staff will accompany all staff members who had been waiting in the USBD conference room back to the main lobby area where they can meet up with the VIPs and exit the USBD.

4:30 pm Upon exiting the USBD, all VIPs and their staff members will walk and the staff members will walk and the seneral screening process a

final time, after which they will exit into the parking lot.

# Tentative Schedule for Secretary Mnuchin's Trip to Louisville, Kentucky - Ft. Knox, Kentucky As of the morning of 8/18/2017

#### Monday August 21, 2017

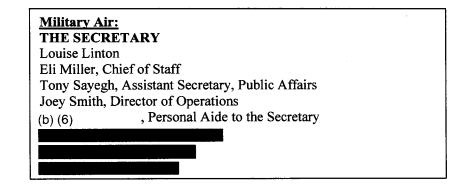
### **Weather**

Louisville, Kentucky: High 91/Low 75, 40% Chance of Rain and Scattered Thunderstorms

8:25am THE SECRETARY departs Residence en route Joint Base Andrews (JBA)

Drive Time: 20 Minutes

8:45am THE SECRETARY arrives Joint Base Andrews (JBA) and proceeds to MilAir
9:05am Wheels Up Joint Base Andrews (JBA) en route Fort Knox – Godman Airfield, Kentucky



(Flight Time: 1 Hours, 25 Minutes) (Time Change: None) (Food Service: Snacks)

10:30am	<b>THE SECRETARY</b> arrives Fort Knox – Godman Airfield, Kentucky and proceeds to vehicles	
10:45am	THE SECRETARY bo	ards vehicles and departs en route The Olmsted
	Drive Time: 45 minutes	
11:30am	THE SECRETARY an	rives The Olmsted and proceeds to Hold Room
11:30am-1:00pm	EVENT:	GREATER LOUISVILLE, INC. CAPITOL
1		<b>CONNECTION LUNCHEON</b>
	LOCATION:	The Olmsted
		3701 Frankfort Avenue
		Louisville, Kentucky 40207
	ATTENDEES:	THE SECRETARY
		Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell

	VENUE: ATTIRE: FORMAT: PRESS:	Indoor Business Luncheon with remarks and Q/A Open
1:00pm	THE SECRETARY proceeds to vehicles	
1:05pm	THE SECRETARY boards ve	ehicles and departs en route Ft. Knox
	Drive Time: 45 minutes	
1:50pm	THE SECRETARY arrives at Ft. Knox	
	Note: THE SECRETARY is gre	eted by Mint personnel.
1:55pm	General security screening for	all visitors
	Note: (10 total visitors)	
2:15pm	THE SECRETARY and deleg	gation proceed to rooftop of Fort Knox
2:20pm	THE SECRETARY and delegation view the solar eclipse	
2:40pm	<b>THE SECRETARY</b> and delegation proceed to the Field Chief's office to be briefed on Fort Knox	
2:45pm-3:00pm	EVENT:	BRIEFING BY MINT STAFF
	LOCATION: ATTENDEES:	Field Chief's Office <b>THE SECRETARY</b> Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell Governor Matt Bevin Congressman Brett Guthrie Acting Deputy Director of the Mint David Motl
	VENUE:	Indoor
	ATTIRE: FORMAT:	Business Briefing
	PRESS:	Closed
3:00pm	THE SECRETARY and deleg access to vault	gation proceed through security processing for
3:40pm-4:15pm	EVENT:	TOUR GOLD RESERVE

	LOCATION: ATTENDEES: VENUE: ATTIRE: FORMAT: PRESS:	United States Bullion Depository <b>THE SECRETARY</b> Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell Governor Matt Bevin Congressman Brett Guthrie Acting Deputy Director of the Mint David Motl Treasurer Jovita Carranza Assistant Secretary of Management Kody Kinsley 5 IG and Mint Personnel Indoor Business Tour Closed
4:15pm		
4:25pm		
4.20mm	THE SECRETARY ha	and a valuation and demonts to Fast Vision Codmon
4:30pm	Airfield	ards vehicles and departs to Fort Knox - Godman
	Drive Time: 5 minutes	
4:35pm	THE SECRETARY ar Andrews (JBA)	rives Fort Knox - Godman Airfield en route Joint Base
4:45pm	Wheels Up Fort Knox -	Godman Airfield en route Joint Base Andrews (JBA)
	Military Air: THE SECRETARY Louise Linton Jovita Carranza, Treasurer Eli Miller, Chief of Staff Tony Sayegh, Assistant Secret Joey Smith, Director of Opera , Personal A Kody Kinsley, Assistant Secre	tions de to the Secretary

# (Flight Time: 1 Hours, 15 Minutes) (Time Change: None) (Food Service: Snacks)

6:35pm	THE SECRETARY arrives to his Residence
	Drive Time: 20 Minutes
6:15pm	THE SECRETARY departs Joint Base Andrews en route Residence
6:00pm	THE SECRETARY arrives Joint Base Andrews (JBA) and proceeds to vehicles

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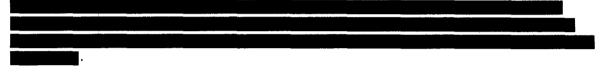
# EVENT MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY MNUCHIN

Event:	United States Bullion Depository Visit with Congressional Delegation
Date/Loc:	Monday, August 21, 2017; Fort Knox, Kentucky
Press:	Official Mint Photographer
From:	Kody H. Kinsley, Assistant Secretary for Management
	Jovita Caranza, Treasurer

## **OVERVIEW**

This memorandum outlines logistics for a Congressional delegation visit to the United States Bullion Depository (USBD) at Fort Knox, Kentucky. The USBD is operated by the U.S. Mint and stores bullion reserves. It currently holds 147.3 million ounces of gold that as of August 16 is worth approximately \$190.4 billion.

Access to the USBD is limited, as the facility exists solely for the storage of gold.

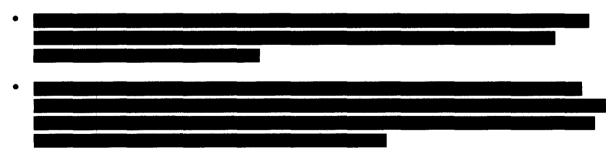


The Mint has arranged for its staff photographer to take photographs inside a compartment with gold. If additional photograph opportunities are desired, the Mint recommends they be at the Main Entrance, in the Field Chief's Office,

subject to review by the U.S. Mint Police.

# **SCENARIO**

You will travel from Louisville to the USBD via automobile. **Transit time is approximately 45 minutes.** Once at the USBD, you will go through several security screenings.



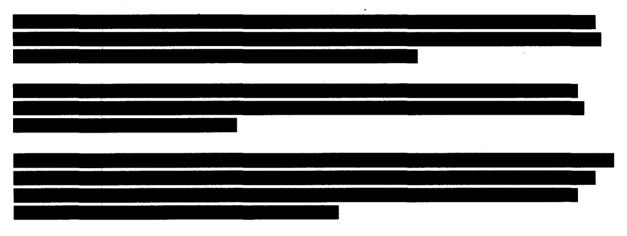
Mr. David Motl, Senior Career Agency Official at the

Mint, will provide a brief overview of the history of the facility and the Mint's role in protecting the USBD portion of the U.S. National Strategic Gold Reserve. This introduction will take approximately 15 minutes.

After the short overview, you will enter the vault. You will first be shown an empty compartment, which will provide you with perspective as to the size of each compartment.

Visitors will be invited into the compartment to inspect:

- "1933 Saint-Gaudens Double Eagle" gold coins
- 1974 aluminum penny
- Sacagawea \$1 coins, which were official cargo on a NASA Space Shuttle mission



Upon completion of the vault tour, each participant will process back through security,

The

delegation will then depart by vehicles to the Godman Army air field. Travel time is approximately 3-4 minutes.

# **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

2:00 p.m. Arrive at USBD/Greeting by Mint personnel 2:05 p.m. General security screening for all visitors Proceed to rooftop, view eclipse 2:25 p.m. Proceed to adjacent conference room to begin briefing 2:40 p.m. Briefing by Mint staff 2:45 p.m. Security processing for access to vault 3:00 p.m. 3:20 p.m. Tour gold reserve 3:55 p.m. Exit vault 4:10 p.m. Depart USBD

# PARTICIPANTS

You will visit and tour with a delegation that includes:

- Senator Mitch McConnell, Senate Majority Leader, Kentucky
- Senator Rand Paul, Kentucky
- Representative S. Brett Guthrie, Kentucky, Second Congressional District
- Governor Matt Bevin, Kentucky
- Treasury staff.

The tour of the *vault* will be limited to you, the Treasurer, the Chief of Staff, the Assistant Secretary for Management, Senator McConnell, Representative Guthrie, Governor Bevin, Acting Director David Motl, Mint's Chief of Police, and Representatives from the Office of the Inspector General.

# PERSONAL PROFILES

# Senator Mitch McConnell (R-KY)

- Senator Mitch McConnell, Majority Leader represents Kentucky in the U.S. Senate and serves on the Senate Appropriations Committee.
- Priorities include tax reform and the debt ceiling.
- Senator McConnell is married to Secretary Elaine Chao, U.S. Secretary of Transportation.
- (b) (5)

# Senator Rand Paul (R-KY)

- Senator Paul considers himself one of the nation's leading advocates for liberty and champion of fiscal responsibility.
- Senator Paul is married to Kelley Ashby Paul of Russellville, Kentucky.
- You called Senator Paul in July to invite him to Fort Knox.

# Representative S. Brett Guthrie (R-KY, 2nd)

- Representative Guthrie's district is home to Abraham Lincoln's birthplace.
- Graduated in 1987 from West Point with a degree in economics and later earned a Master's Degree from Yale University in Public and Private Management.
- Following his military service, Representative Guthrie joined Trace Die Cast, the manufacturing business started by his father in Bowling Green.
- Representative Guthrie is married to the former Beth Clemmons; they have three children, Caroline, Robby and Elizabeth.





# Governor Matt Bevin (R-KY)

- Matt Bevin was elected the 62nd Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 2015.
- Governor Bevin graduated from Washington and Lee University on an ROTC scholarship and later served in the U.S. Army achieving the rank of Captain.
- He is married to Glenna Bevin, and has nine children.

# ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Treasury Public Affairs Q and A and Fact Sheet
- 2. Senator Paul Letter to Secretary Mnuchin on Observe Deposits Held in U.S. Bullion Depository
- 3. Senator Paul Letter to Acting Director Motl on Observe Deposits Held in U.S. Bullion Depository



Event Memorandum Clearance Sheet		
Event:	U.S. Mint Bullion Depository Visit with Congressional Delegation	
Drafted:	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Management –	
Approved:	Kody Kinsley, Assistant Secretary for Management (08/16/17)	
Cleared:	Exec Sec – Ryan Brady (8/17/17)	
	General Counsel – Michael Briskin (8/16/17)	
	Legislative Affairs – Matt Kellogg (8/16/17)	
	Operations – Joey Smith (8/16/17)	
	U.S. Mint – David A. Motl (08/16/17)	
	Office of the Treasurer – Jovita Carranza (8/16/17)	
	ASM – (08/15/17)	
	Scheduling and Advance – (8/16/17)	

# **ATTACHMENT 1: Public Affairs Questions/Answers and Fact Sheet**

The official name of the U.S. Mint facility referred to as "Fort Knox" is the United States Bullion Depository (USBD). The reference to Fort Knox originates from its proximity to the Fort Knox military installation.

## 1. What is the role and history of the U.S. Mint?

The U.S. Mint is the Nation's sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The Mint also produces bullion of gold, silver and platinum for investors, Congressional Gold Medals, and coins and medals for collectors (numismatists). Mint programs are self-sustaining and operate at no cost to the taxpayer.

The history of the U.S. Mint dates back to 1792 when Congress passed the Coinage Act, which created the Mint and authorized the construction of a Mint Building in Philadelphia (then the Nation's capital). The Mint became part of the Treasury Department in February 1873.

# 2. What is the history of Fort Knox?

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued Executive Order 6102, which outlawed private ownership of gold coins, bullion, and gold certificates by American citizens. The rationale was the hoarding of gold was stalling economic growth making the Great Depression worse.

Fort Knox Bullion Depository was created through the Deficiency Act on June 22, 1936, signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The building was completed in December 1936 at a cost of \$560,000. The land was transferred to Treasury from the Army.

The Depository needed 16,000 feet of granite, 4,200 cubic yards of concrete and 750 tons of reinforced steel and 670 tons of structural steel.

Fort Knox is a 109,000 acre U.S. Army post. Besides housing the U.S. Bullion Depository (USBD), it is also home to the General George S. Patton Museum.

# 3. When and who was the last Treasury Secretary to visit Fort Knox? What was the purpose of that trip?

Fort Knox had been previously visited by Secretary Henry Morgenthau on January 19, 1939, and Secretary John Snyder on June 17, 1948. The visits were conducted for a business needs, as Treasury has overall responsibility for the Depository.

# 4. What is the purpose of the trip by Secretary Mnuchin?

The Secretary has the overall responsibility for the Depository. He also attests to the form and content of the financial statements of the Department—the custodial gold holding is a significant part of that attestation. The Secretary has visited IRS Headquarters and Bureau of Fiscal Service, both in Washington, DC. Secretary Mnuchin has plans to visit other Treasury facilities around the country and meet with Treasury personnel in the coming months.

# 5. Besides being a depository for gold and other precious items, what is Fort Knox used for (in a Treasury role, if any)?

The Bullion Depository at Fort Knox was constructed solely as a secured storage facility. By the way of background, the Act of August 13, 1935, Public Law 74-267, 49 Stat. 613 authorized the Secretary of War to transfer some land from the Fort Knox Military Reservation to the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of constructing the United States Bullion Depository (USBD).

# 6. What is the present value of the gold held at Fort Knox?

Deep Storage Gold Reserves as of September 30, 2016 with Market Value as of August 16, 2017

Fine Troy Ounces	Statutory Value	Market Value
147,341,858.382	6,221,097,413	190,459,979,819
43,853,707.279	1,851,599,999	56,687,056,177
54,067,331.379	2,282,841,679	69,889,595,234
245,262,897.04	\$10,355,539,091	317,036,631,230
	147,341,858.382 43,853,707.279 54,067,331.379	147,341,858.382         6,221,097,413           43,853,707.279         1,851,599,999           54,067,331.379         2,282,841,679

\* \$1,292.64 per FTO

7. How much of the U.S. gold is held at Fort Knox vs. held in other facilities, like the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (FRBNY)?

FRBNY Gold Reserves as of September 30, 2016
with Market Value as of August 16, 2017

	Fine Troy Ounces	Statutory Value	Market Value
Gold Bars	13,378,981.032	\$564,890,013	\$17,294,206,041
Gold Coins	73,829.500	\$ 3,117,244	\$95,434,965
Total	13,452,810.532	\$568,007,257	\$17,791,341,929

\* \$1,292.64 per FTO

# 8. Is the gold ever transferred to other Mint facilities or the Federal Reserve from Fort Knox?

No, gold is not transferred to other Mint facilities or the Federal Reserve from Fort Knox.

# 9. Besides gold, what other items are stored there?

In addition to the gold, the USBD currently secures 1933 Double Eagle Gold Coins, a 1974-D aluminum penny, and twenty gold (22-karat) Sacagawea dollar coins that were flown on the Space Shuttle. In the past, other items were held at Fort Knox.

# 10. How many employees work at the facility?

For security purposes we do not provide that information to the public.

# 11. Why was Fort Knox chosen to be the site?

The Depository was constructed with the possibility of war looming. Fort Knox provided a location far from either coast, adjacent to a military installation for added security and close to a rail head for transportation.

# 12. When was the last gold audit?

Between 1971 and 2008, all Treasury owned gold stored at the United States Mint (Fort Knox, Denver and West Point) was audited and placed under Official Joint Seal. In 2012, the Treasuryowned gold stored at the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) was audited/inventoried by the Department of the Treasury's Office of Inspector General (OIG) and placed under Joint Seal.

In addition, on an annual basis, the TOIG conducts audits of United States Mint Custodial Gold Schedules at all Mint locations, and since 2012, Treasury Gold Schedules at the FRB. The annual audit includes an inspection of all gold compartments and Joint Seals to verify the compartments are locked, and the seals are in-tact and have not been tampered with.

# 13. When was the last shipment of gold sent to Fort Knox, and do shipments still take place?

The first shipment to Fort Knox was made from January to June 1937 from the Philadelphia Mint and the New York Assay Office (public gold refinery). The last gold shipment was delivered to the USBD in 1944. Shipments of gold no longer take place.

# **Additional Fort Knox Facts and History**

- Due to World War II, the first Magna Carta was stored at the Depository from 1939 to 1947.
- The crown, sword, scepter, orb, and cape of St. Stephen, King of Hungary (975-1038) were given to the U.S. Army by the Hungarian Crown for safe keeping from the Soviet Union. The items were stored at the Depository at the end of World War II. The Carter Administration returned the items to the government of Hungary in 1978.
- To protect them from any possible danger during World War II, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights were secretly stored in protective vaults. Only when Allied victory was imminent in 1944 were the historic documents returned to Washington, D.C.
- During the Cold War, a cache of opium and morphine was stored at Fort Knox for emergency uses. In 1993, the opium was turned into morphine sulfate. The opium and morphine is no longer stored at the Depository.
- In 1974, there was circulated a theory that the gold in the Depository had been secretly removed by elites, and that the vaults were empty.
- In September 1974, 63<sup>rd</sup> Secretary of the Treasury William E. Simon invited a group of reporters and a Congressional delegation to visit Fort Knox. The delegation was allowed inside in order to refute the theory, which had gained traction thanks to coverage in tabloid newspapers and on the radio. Other than this 1974 event, no member of the public has been allowed inside.

# **Other Facts**

- The highest gold holdings this century was 649.6 million ounces (December 31, 1941).
- Each gold bar weigh approximately 27.5 lbs.
- The gold is only removed in small quantities to test the purity of the gold during regular audits.

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

#### March 21, 2017

The Honorable Steven Mnuchin Secretary Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Secretary Mnuchin:

I am writing to you today requesting the opportunity to observe in person the deposits held in United States Bullion Depository in Fort Knox Kentucky. A similar request was made to Acting Principal Deputy Director Motl on January 23, 2017. I received a response from Acting Principal Deputy Director Motl on February 8, 2017, which stated "The United States Mint has received your letter, and [my] request is under consideration."

As it has been nearly two months since my original request, and there is not yet a permanent Director of the Mint, I am asking you to approve this request. With the completion of the U.S. Bullion Depository in Fort Knox, Kentucky, in 1937, the Depository has been a beacon of pride for many residents of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and a cornerstone of the Fort Knox Community.

As stated in my original request, in the 42 years since the last public viewing, no civilians have been allowed to enter and view the gold vault. As one of the U.S. Senators elected to represent the Commonwealth of Kentucky and Chairman of the Subcommittee on Federal Spending, which provides oversight of all taxpayer funded operations of the United States Mint, I believe it is my responsibility to assure my constituents that the Federal government has maintained the appropriate troy ounces of gold in deep storage as stated in the U.S. Mint Annual Reports.

Since 2000, the U.S. Mint Annual Reports have stated the U.S. Mint has been in possession of 245,262,897 fine troy ounces of gold bullion. According to the Department of Treasury's Bureau of Fiscal Services, as of December 2016, approximately 147.342 million ounces, are held at the Depository. It is important for the confidence of the United States economy for a civilian and independent observation of the deposits and holdings.

Thank you for your timely attention and consideration of my request to view the U.S. Bullion Depository. I look forward to your compliance with my request at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Rand Paul

RAND PAUL, M.D. UNITED STATES SENATE

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January 23, 2017

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