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Hi Supervisors,

There seems to be some question which incidents mentioned by the Attorney General were the triggers for this action. Perhaps they weren't specified because improvements tailored to a single incident may not improve the whole system.

From this perspective, I hope that any ad hoc investigation or corrective action applies to improving youth safety at all County Facilities where juveniles are held, such as the Polinsky Center where abuse after abuse, at least 150 cases, have been recorded. And I'm sure there are abuses at all the Behavioral Care Centers and Immigrant Centers you set up.

This seems like a good move, to make an independent ad hoc inquiry. However, the Board Letter does not say who is taking what measures or making what inquiries already. Nor are there attachments to indicate exactly what the Attorney General said or did, either in summary or perhaps in response to an inquiry.

Moreover, changing OC spray use or the use of excessive force (already banned, by the way, in the Sheriff's training manual) may not be enough, so that when the Board letter says "Once the purposes outlined above have been achieved, the Subcommittee will conclude its work," that is a good start but may not be enough.

Regards,

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