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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about police reform. After the DOJ report exposing the abuses in Ferguson a DOJ program (COPS) got under way to investigate local agencies and provide federal oversight to implement reforms. As with any organization when internal reforms are failing there is much to be gained from outside oversight. This program had initiated 25 investigations and 14 reform plans by the time Attorney General Sessions dismantled it. One of my regional departments (SF) was in the process of following such a plan when the DOJ dropped it. As with many of the past years failures by the federal government the California state government did step in but the shift was still damaging and slowed progress.

Please assure me that you will reinstate the COPS program.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our fair government.

Sincerely, Eric Babson