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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attn: Kevin Favreau
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Dear Special Agent Favreau:

As you know, Clark County entered into contract negotiations with the International Association of Firefighters Local 1908 for a contract that expired June 30, 2010. After reaching an impasse, these negotiations were turned over to an independent arbitrator last summer, who rendered a decision on Jan. 19, 2011 in favor of the County's position.

In reviewing the arbitrator's report, it is apparent that a systematic pattern of sick leave abuse may have occurred within the Clark County Fire Department – an allegation that if correct, is tantamount to fraud. As mentioned in the arbitrator's decision, sick leave cost the County more than \$7 million in 2009.

Since more than one person may have been involved, I feel a conspiracy may have occurred, which warrants further examination into racketeering and fraud. Whether the RICO Act (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations) applies in this case is for you to decide.

It is my duty as a public official, however, to bring this to your attention. That is why, with a great deal of thought, I am asking your office, District Attorney David Roger, Attorney General Catherine Cortez-Masto, and Sheriff Doug Gillespie to investigate this matter.

I'm happy to make myself available in any manner you deem appropriate to assist with this matter. I have also attached the arbitrator's decision for your review.

Sincerely,



Steve Sisolak
Vice-Chair

SS:ksm

Attachment

CC: Catherine Cortez Masto, Attorney General
Doug Gillespie, Sheriff
David Roger, District Attorney