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TO: Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman
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FROM: Wendy L. Watanabe
Auditor-Controller

SUBJECT: **STATUS REPORT – SECOND EXTENSION REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AERO BUREAU (Board Agenda Item 2, April 3, 2012)**

On April 3, 2012, your Board instructed the Auditor-Controller to conduct a comprehensive audit of the Sheriff's Department (Sheriff's) Aero Bureau, including an investigation of all allegations described in a Sheriff's internal report, possible purchasing violations, and helicopter fleet contracts, etc.

We continue to investigate the numerous allegations described in the Sheriff's Internal Criminal Investigations Bureau report, and review contracts and purchases related to the entire Aero Bureau helicopter fleet. Based on the extent of our review, we anticipate to complete our report by August 31, 2012.

Please call me if you have any questions, or your staff may contact Guy Zelenski at (213) 893-0058.

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