

# Maricopa County Sheriff's Office

## Joe Arpaio, Sheriff



**The following is a statement from Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio concerning today's meeting with U.S. Department of Justice officials**

### STATEMENT

February 06, 2012

Representatives of Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, Maricopa County Attorney Bill Montgomery, and the attorneys for the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office met with attorneys from the U.S. Department of Justice today to discuss the allegations presented in the letter from the Department of Justice dated December 15, 2011.

The parties have agreed to work together to develop a document that addresses any agreed upon improvements needed in the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff and the US Department of Justice are both committed to avoiding unnecessary and expensive litigation by the creation of an enforceable agreement which will lead to sustainable reforms and positive results for all citizens of Maricopa County. These discussions will continue in earnest and will be completed by April 14, 2012.

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