



The
CENTER for
VICTIMS of
TORTURE

Will you join me in this crucial fight?

In my many years of public service, I have always understood the need for compromise.

You fight passionately for your beliefs and your values, but at the end of the day you come together with the folks on the other side of the debate to move the country forward.

But there are some issues on which there shouldn't even be a debate, and on which you don't compromise ... ever.

And at the top of that list is torture.

[And that's why I'm asking you to join us today by signing the petition to your U.S. Senators urging them to reject Gina Haspel's nomination as CIA director.](#)

This isn't a campaign CVT is undertaking lightly.

In fact, it's only the second time in CVT's history that they've opposed a presidential nominee. But the more you learn about Gina Haspel, the more you understand why CVT is doing everything in their power to defeat her nomination.

Ms. Haspel is widely reported to have run a CIA "black site" in Thailand, where at least one detainee was brutally tortured on her watch.

But we can't know the full horror of what happened under her supervision in part because the CIA won't release that information, and in part because, with Ms. Haspel's help, the CIA destroyed videotaped evidence of the torture.

Under any circumstances, she would be a dangerous choice to run the CIA, but President Trump's shocking embrace of torture—who can forget his campaign pledge to "*bring back waterboarding, and ... a hell of a lot worse*"—makes Haspel's nomination wholly unacceptable.

CVT has the professional expertise and moral credibility to lead the campaign against Ms. Haspel's nomination, but they need people who share their commitment to human rights and human dignity to join them today.

They need you.

Please, help CVT send this clear and unmistakable message:

The United States will never again betray its ideals and darken its honor by engaging in torture.

[Sign the petition urging your Senators to reject Gina Haspel's nomination as CIA director.](#)

Thank you for refusing to compromise with torture — the ultimate affront to human dignity.

Sincerely,

Walter Mondale