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Citizens' Commission Issues Report on CIA Rendition Flights

WASHINGTON Earlier today, the North Carolina Commission of Inquiry on Torture issued a report on its investigation into the role North Carolina-based Aero Contractors played in the CIAs rendition flights the flights it used to transfer prisoners overseas to be tortured in CIA facilities and by foreign countries.

Rev. Ron Stief, Executive Director of the National Religious Campaign Against Torture, released the following statement about the report:

North Carolinians have shown us what can be accomplished by a group of citizens who dedicate themselves to investigating an unjust and illegal government program. While other reports have described the CIAs torture flights, this report lays bare the raw inhumanity of Aero Contractors work to shuffle individuals between nations and facilities where they were tortured, as well as the degree of local government complicity in a federal government crime.

As people of faith, members of the National Religious Campaign Against Torture know that torture is always wrong. It is against all of our faiths, and it is against the better values of our great country. Every aspect of the CIAs torture program was wrong from the torture carried out by CIA operatives, to the Aero Contractor flights used to send people off to be tortured by foreign governments. I encourage people to read the report and then to contact their local and federal officials about the importance of preventing anything like this from every happening again.

The National Religious Campaign Against Torture (NRCAT) is a membership organization committed to ending U.S.-sponsored torture, and cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment. Since its formation in January 2006, more than 300 religious organizations have joined NRCAT, including representatives from the Catholic, evangelical Christian, mainline Protestant, Unitarian Universalist, Quaker, Orthodox Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Bahai, Buddhist, and Sikh communities. Members include national denominations and faith groups, regional organizations and local congregations.

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