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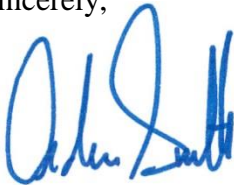
The Honorable Jeh Johnson
Secretary
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Johnson,

I write with grave concern regarding the recently released Homeland Security Advisory Council report on privately-run immigration detention centers. The proposed recommendations, if accepted, will continue the flawed practice of contracting private corporations to operate these centers, enshrine weak government oversight, and legitimize sub-standard living conditions for detainees.

I formally request a meeting to discuss the Department of Homeland Security's policy on for-profit detention centers. If the recommendations of the Homeland Security Advisory Council are implemented, it is imperative that your department fully explain the potential impact. I look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely,



Adam Smith
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