

October 2, 2006

Ms. Robin Pendergraft  
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Dear Ms. Pendergraft:

We write as concerned State Representatives to ask you to investigate the actions of Aero Contractors, a contract air carrier that uses the facilities of the state-funded Global TransPark (GTP).

Aero Contractors has been identified in the media as a participant in the CIA-sponsored "rendition" program, which has flown persons detained in various countries, including the United States, to other countries. There, the suspects were held incommunicado and tortured, using methods that would not have been legal in the United States. President Bush, on September 6, 2006, acknowledged that such "renditions" had occurred.

It appears that Aero Contractors, in flying suspects to overseas torture sites, violated North Carolina and federal laws concerning conspiracy to commit torture (See especially the New York Times article of May 31, 2005). If this is the case, Aero should no longer be permitted to be a client of the GTP Authority.

We ask that you examine the Aero situation immediately. Whether or not Aero's activities at the GTP were legal, they certainly violate our sense of morality and human rights. We believe the State of North Carolina should sever any connection to such actions.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

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Rep. Linda Coleman, Wake  
Rep. Larry Hall, Durham  
Rep. Earl Jones, Guilford  
Rep. Deborah Ross, Wake  
Rep. Jennifer Weiss, Wake

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