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## Action Items for Governor Roy Cooper to Consider

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- Establish a governor-led task force to investigate the role of Aero and other private contractors operating in the state during the period in which the Rendition, Detention, and Interrogation program was operational (2001-2006) and make the results available to the public; consider the redress options for victims.
- Issue a statement in support of North Carolina Representative David Price, who will read the executive summary of *Torture Flights*, the report from the North Carolina Commission of Inquiry on Torture, into the Congressional Record on June 26.
- Issue an official apology to the survivors and their families for the state's role in their rendition.
- Acknowledge via a public statement the events of rendition, disappearance, and torture that took place, and note that North Carolina Aviation facilities will never again be used for human rights violations.
- Direct the State Bureau of Investigation to investigate Aero Contractors Limited.
- Send a representative to the screening of the 'The Report,' who can brief the Governor on the main points of the film and panel discussion, if organizers bring the event to Raleigh in the Fall of 2019.

Draft statement in support of Rep. Price's reading into the Congressional Record:

Tomorrow, June 26, North Carolina Representative David Price will deliver the executive summary of *Torture Flights*, the report from the North Carolina Commission of Inquiry on Torture, to the Congressional Record. This date coincides with the United Nations International Day in Support of Victims of Torture, which encourage us to "to unite in support of the hundreds of thousands of people around the world who have been victims of torture and those who are still tortured today." We fully support Representative Price's reading and commend the efforts of North Carolina citizens and non-profits, including North Carolina Stop Torture Now, the North Carolina Commission of Inquiry on Torture, and The North Carolina Council of churches, for their tireless grass roots activism.

The North Carolina Council of Churches represents 18 denominations, 6,200 congregations, and 1.5 million congregates.