United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

February 2, 2017

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We write to express our concern at the announcement today that Ms. Gina Haspel has been named as the Deputy Director of the CIA. Her background makes her unsuitable for the position. We are sending separately a classified letter explaining our position and urge that the information in that letter be immediately declassified.

Thank you for your attention to this serious matter.

Sincerely,

Ron Wyden

Martin Heinrich

cc: Mr. Michael Dempsey, Acting Director of National Intelligence

The Honorable Mike Pompeo, Director, Central Intelligence Agency

Mr. Dana Boente, Acting Attorney General

The Honorable James Mattis, Secretary of Defense

The Honorable Rex Tillerson, Secretary of State

The Honorable James B. Comey, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

The Honorable Christopher Sharpley, Acting CIA Inspector General