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Dear Senator Padilla:

I am concerned about concentration camps.

Sen Van Hollen's trip to El Salvador may help to keep attention on the escalating sadistic abuses of the current regime. Besides outsourcing abuse by rendition to El Salvador ICE Director Lyons has effused about emulating Amazon but with human cargoes using trucks much as Germany did cattle cars. Mr Arape reports beatings at Guantanamo. GEO run detention centers with long records of forced labor, retaliation for complaints and a lack of medical care now house political prisoners such as Mr Khalil and Ms Ozturk. Family detention centers are being refurbished by CoreCivic with a similarly dismal record. These abuses must be challenged at every level and Congressional visits to these horrific sites might help.

Please do not let us pretend we do not know.

My pride in the US derives in part from our respect for human rights.

Sincerely,

Eric Babson