Over 100 retired U.S. military officials oppose Gina Haspel to head CIA



Washington, April 25 (RHC)-- More than one hundred former top U.S. military officials have signed a letter to U.S. senators, asking them to oppose President Donald Trump's nomination of the Central Intelligence Agency's deputy director to replace Mike Pompeo as CIA chief.

The letter reads, in part: "We are deeply troubled by the prospect of someone who appears to have been intimately involved in torture being elevated to one of the most important positions of leadership in the intelligence community."

According to The New York Times, Gina Haspel oversaw the waterboarding of prisoner Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri at a secret CIA black site in Thailand in 2002. She also later called for destroying videotapes of another prisoner's waterboarding.

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