

Last weekend, hundreds of thousands of people took to the streets in a nationwide protest to condemn the Trump administration's "zero tolerance" policy, enacted earlier this year, of separating children from their families at border crossings. Since the policy took effect, over 2,000 children—including infants and toddlers—have been separated from their families and housed at youth detention centers, without knowing where their parents are or when they will be reunited with them.

This cruel and traumatic policy of family separation is carried out by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), which contracts with publicly-traded companies to operate and provide services for detention facilities that house separated families. Companies that hold these contracts include:

- **General Dynamics (GD)**, one of the country's top defense contractors, which provides case management services to youth detention centers
- **CoreCivic (CCA)**, formerly Corrections Corporation of America, the nation's largest private prison company, which owns and operates eight immigration detention centers, including family detention centers
- **GEO Group (GEO)**, a private prison company that operates family detention centers

Rather than profiting from tearing families apart, **we are calling on General Dynamics, CoreCivic and GEO Group to immediately terminate their contracts with ICE** and make a public commitment to ensuring the health, safety and emotional wellbeing of all detainees.

Furthermore, **we are calling on public pension funds and university endowments in the state of California to examine their investment portfolios for exposure to General Dynamics, CoreCivic and GEO Group, and to raise concerns with these companies**

over their immigration detention practices. Pension funds and endowments should assess not only their direct holdings in these companies, but also their indirect direct investments via index fund and hedge fund investments.

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