

# Statement: Dear House Democrats: Abolish and Defund Trump's Secret Police

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**Detroit --** In response to report that the House is bringing an [appropriations bill](#) to fund Trump's Department of Homeland Security (DHS) [appropriations bill](#) to the floor next week, [Action Center on Race and the Economy](#) (ACRE) released the following statement:

“As Trump unleashes an all-out attack on our cities with his brutal, militarized, and out-of-control secret police, Democrats shouldn't be appropriating another single penny for his out control and reckless fascist regime,” **said Maurice BP-Weeks, Co-Executive Director of [ACRE](#).**

“ Bringing any bill to the House floor to fund a DHS that is deploying a cold, calculated, and secret police force is not only unconstitutional, but also deeply immoral. Democrats ought to be pulling every lever they have in their power right now to defund and abolish Trump's secret police not to pour more money into it.

“Unfortunately, their track record is lacking to say the least. Democratic leadership in the past supported some of the same heavily militarized DHS practices that disappeared, surveilled and terrorized the Muslim, Arab and South Asian communities around the country for decades, and refused to take action when undocumented people were detained in countless raids.

“We’re at another make or break moment for Democratic leadership. If despite all the calls to defund and abolish the police nationwide the house chooses to further fund Trump’s secret force, they will cement a leadership failure of epic proportions. The time for rhetoric and nuance is over.

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