2. A [US Senate report](http://www.hsgac.senate.gov/subcommittees/investigations/media/investigative-report-criticizes-counterterrorism-reporting-waste-at-state-and-local-intelligence-fusion-centers) recently found that "fusion centers" had not successfully prevented any terrorist attacks, and had a pattern of redefining `terrorism' to include peaceful activists. If elected, would the candidate support or oppose the withdrawal of federal funds for fusion centers?

**According to the bipartisan US Senate report, these centers are not making us safer, and are costing the government as much as $1.4 billion. That is a lot of money to spend on a program that is not working, especially as Head Start programs and NIH research grants are being cut back. I think we can make much better use of this money, and any funds spent on fighting terrorism should be dedicated to that purpose, not tracking peaceful activists.**

*NOTE FROM DIGITAL FOURTH:*

*We take this as enough of an implicit commitment to defunding the fusion centers that we code this response as a “Yes.”*