

Someone other than the speaker may have a recollection.

The speaker may have had or used to have a rec.

“Recollection” is more certain than a hunch or suspicion.

How about other days?

“I do not have any recollection that day of there being a

discussion of something that would have been as neon

as waterboarding or other torture techniques.”

How about a “mention” or “complaint?”

Compare with the Metallica song, “The Thing That Should Not Be.” The speaker is afraid to admit what was said.

Speaker attempts to claim waterboarding didn’t stand out from other subjects.

Statement does not deny that waterboarding was discussed, because use of simile allows plausible deniability.

“as neon as waterboarding” suggests that there is simply nothing as stand out as waterboarding, not that waterboarding was not discussed.

Waterboarding was not determined to be torture until President Obama took over. Senator Graham was a Democrat.