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US Senate Report Slams CIA Torture, Lies



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The US Senate Intelligence Committee's report summary on the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) detention and interrogation program is a powerful denunciation of the agency's extensive and systematic use of torture. The 525-page partially redacted summary, released Tuesday, is part of a 6,700-page classified report that the committee has still not indicated it plans to release.

The summary documents numerous misrepresentations the CIA made about the program's effectiveness and demonstrates US officials' knowledge that it was illegal. It underscores the need for the US government to promptly release the full report, bolster oversight of the CIA, and investigate and appropriately prosecute the senior officials responsible for the torture program.

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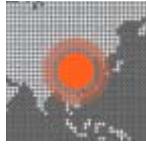
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By Amanda Klasing

In El Salvador, 17 women convicted of murder, after being accused of having had an abortion, are sitting in prison for up to 40 years. For some of these women, having a miscarriage or stillbirth was used as evidence to convict them. Activists in El Salvador and around the globe are pressuring the government for their release, hopefully in time for the Christmas holidays.

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There can hardly be a more insidious legal provision than one that criminalizes "abusing freedom and democracy to infringe on the interests of the state." These charges are even more preposterous from a government that is not democratic and doesn't respect individual freedom.

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The State Department's 2012 annual Human Rights Report in its Latin American section classified "over-trending" as among "specifically of torture" to the report on "Torture from coast to coast, "substantive of the land to render" as described in "over-trending."	The United States government has officially acknowledged withholding only three detainees: Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, Abu Zubaydah, and Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri. Guantanamo was never declared a "base." Gitmo has been, and is, declared a "detention facility."

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