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## **Pakistan: Amnesty International condemns killing of abducted journalist**

*Amnesty International condemns the killing of Wall Street Journal journalist Daniel Pearl who had been abducted on 23 January in Karachi and held hostage since then. A video showing his beheading was received by Pakistani and US officials on Thursday.*

*"The kidnapping and murder of a journalist, or of any civilian, violates the most fundamental principles of humanity. Those responsible for the murder of Daniel Pearl must be brought to justice," Amnesty International said.*

*The taking and killing of hostages is prohibited in all circumstances under international law.*

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