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Amnesty International reports & statements

See a selection of recent AI news releases:

Israel-Occupied Territories. Deliberate attacks a war crime (30 June).
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/Index/ENGMDE150612006>

Japan. Prisoners executed without warning after decades on death row (7 July).
<http://news.amnesty.org/index/ENGASA220072006>

Spain. Place human rights at the core of peace talks in Basque Country (3 July).
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/Index/ENGEUR410022006>

Sudan-Chad. International action needed to protect civilians from cross-border attacks (29 June).
<http://news.amnesty.org/index/ENGAFR540282006>

These and other press releases and reports are accessible at:
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/eng-recent/index>

Death Penalty

China. Four drug traffickers were executed on International Anti-Drug Day, reported the China Daily (27 June).
http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2006-06/27/content_626601.htm

USA. Drugs used in lethal injection. DPIC (23 June).
<http://www.deathpenaltyinfo.org/article.php?did=1806&scid=64>

USA. Observations Regarding Lethal Injection. Message from the President of American Society of Anesthesiologists (30 June).
<http://www.asahq.org/news/asanews063006.htm>

HIV/AIDS

Malaysia. The China Post reported on plans to imprison blood donors who know they are HIV-positive (29 June 2006).
http://www.chinapost.com.tw/i_latestdetail.asp?id=39355

USA. Health authorities in Washington are launching a pioneering scheme to promote HIV testing, reported the BBC (27 June).
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/americas/5119760.stm>

Right to health

UK. The government said that the National Health Service across the UK should no longer recruit junior nurses from abroad, the BBC reported (3 July).
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/5140648.stm>

Torture

Europe. The Council of Europe has passed a resolution accusing European states of colluding with the CIA on secret flights transferring terror suspects, reported the BBC (27 June).
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/europe/5119650.stm>
Council of Europe: <http://www.coe.int/>

Malawi. "Put an end to torture in police cells". See Daily Times (3 July):
<http://www.dailytimes.bppmw.com/article.asp?ArticleID=2176>

Philippines. The Task Force Detainees of the Philippines has called on President Arroyo to urge Congress to fast track the approval of the bill criminalizing torture, reported Minda News (27 June).
http://mindanews.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=318&Itemid=50

Philippines. The Medical Action Group trains doctors to recognise torture cases, reported the Philippine Daily Inquirer (28 June).
http://newsinfo.inq7.net/inquirerheadlines/nation/view_article.php?article_id=6991

Sudan. Government security organs continue to subject the civilian population in Darfur to torture, arbitrary arrests, and intimidation, according to the Sudan Tribune (26 June).
http://www.sudantribune.com/article.php3?id_article=16388

Turkey. The Human Rights Foundation chairman has said that torture takes place systematically in Turkey. Medical personnel authorised to examine persons before and after detention or during their delivery to prison work either under the Ministry of Interior or Justice and the Council of Forensic Medicine is not independent. See BIA News Center (28 June):
http://www.bianet.org/2006/06/01_eng/news81316.htm

Jordan. The UN Special Rapporteur on Torture visiting Jordan found 'general impunity for torture and ill-treatment.' See UN News Centre (3 July):
<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=19081&Cr=jordan&Cr1=>

USA. Notes from a conference with lawyers and doctors including psychiatrists on torture. See ePluribus Media (30 June):
<http://scoop.epluribusmedia.org/story/2006/6/30/181055/356>

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Steven H. Miles. Oath Betrayed: Torture, Medical Complicity, and the War on Terror. *Random House* 2006.
<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=5516533>

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