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Amnesty International is alarmed that Jack Straw has indicated that he will make his decision on extradition on the basis of medical evidence that has not been made available to all parties. The medical findings should have been subject to judicial supervision in a transparent process in which the prosecution should have been permitted to participate. The organization is discussing the legal implications of the decision with its lawyers and will issue a statement later today.

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