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### **Guantánamo: Amnesty International publishes new paper on former CIA detainee**

Amnesty International today published a new report and feature looking at the case of Majid Khan, a Guantánamo detainee who faces up to 19 more years in prison after pleading guilty to terror charges.

In March 2003, Pakistani forces seized 23-year-old Majid Khan from his brother's house in Karachi, Pakistan. He was turned over to the USA's Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), which detained him for three and a half years.

Majid Khan says he was tortured during this time. The details of where he was held and how he was treated remain classified at the highest levels of secrecy by the US government.

Torture and enforced disappearance are crimes under international law. The use of secrecy by the Bush and now Obama administrations to block accountability for such crimes puts the USA in serious breach of its international human rights obligations.

Amnesty International continues to call for full disclosure of the human rights violations committed in the CIA secret detention program and for those responsible to be brought to justice.

**For a copy of the paper, "USA: One-way accountability", please see:**

<http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/AMR51/063/2012/en>

**For a copy of the feature, please see: <http://www.amnesty.org/en/news/guantanamo-leap-faith-2012-07-18>**

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