

WEB UPDATES – TACTICAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST TORTURE

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On 11 January 2007, the Guantánamo detention centre will be five years old. Outraged by this symbol of US abuse and injustice, human rights activists worldwide are joining together in solidarity with the detainees and their families, to demand once more that the US government close Guantánamo.

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Feature

16 December 2006 marks the start of a series of protests across the world with renewed calls on the US government to close Guantánamo.

In January 2002, the US authorities transferred the first "war on terror" detainees – hooded and shackled – to the US Naval Base in Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

Despite major international outcry and expert condemnation, hundreds of people of more than 30 nationalities continue to be held there: without charge, and with little hope of obtaining a fair trial. Though US authorities have repeatedly called the detainees "terrorists" and "killers", many have been released without charge.

US official investigators and detainees have reported torture and other ill-treatment, and the conditions of detention remain inhumane.

Enough is enough!

Guantánamo detainees must be released immediately unless they are to be charged and given a fair trial.

By either organizing your own event or supporting other activists worldwide in the run up to Guantánamo fifth anniversary, you can make a difference.

Join our month of activism! Find an event near you or contact your local AI office.

Picture



David Hicks' father at AI Australia rally, 10 December 2006
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