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Hong Kong: www.endtorture.org -- new Amnesty International Chinese language website

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Amnesty International is launching today (25 March 2003) a new Chinese-language website www.endtorture.org as part of its international Campaign against Torture.

"We hope to reach people in mainland China as well as Chinese-speaking communities all over the world through the documentation available on this site," Amnesty International said.

The main focus of the web site is on the prevention of torture but it will also cover wider human rights issues. The site contains articles, reports and other information to raise awareness about torture, including human rights news from Amnesty International on all parts of the world. It also provides human rights campaigning materials, links to material about torture from other organizations.

"We hope the Chinese audience will view the website as a valuable resource to raise awareness about the need to prevent torture and ill-treatment; and to contribute to the campaign within China to stamp out torture once and for all," Amnesty International said.

The website will be updated regularly. It will be a vital resource for academics, lawyers, journalists, students and others interested in human rights issues. The web site can be accessed from today at the following address:

<http://www.endtorture.org>

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