

## Torture 'logic' USA

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This short piece is principally directed at Americans, as most people of the free world - approx. 99.99% of the planet's population, understand torture as TORTURE! Torture remains illegal under international law but America has flouted international law and convention on so many occasions it is no surprise it attempts to justify the use of TORTURE today.

Referring to the practice of 'waterboarding'/torture, CIA Director, Michael Hayden, openly stated that "*we used it against these three detainees because of the circumstances at the time. There was the **belief** that additional catastrophic attacks against the homeland were **inevitable**, and we had limited knowledge about al-Qaeda and its workings. Those two realities have changed.*" [My emphasis.] The above assumptions have proven to be erroneous yet torture practices continue to be approved by Washington.

It is clear that torture was utilised on an assumptive basis, "belief" or faith based delusional thinking is the worst possible substitute for hard evidence or reality. CIA Chief Hayden, openly admits that based on NO HARD EVIDENCE WHATSOEVER, American psychopaths and demented idiots who imagine/think/believe/assume or have hysterical fears automatically have the right to torture - that is the long and short of it! This 'logic' is pure psychopathology!

We recall past 'logic' and 'accurate' assumptions of the current administration -- "bouquets of flowers," "mission accomplished" and "unknown-knowns" - stunning deductions but unfortunately demented and completely divorced from reality yet we are expected to tolerate flagrant illegality from America today!

We have a cure for foaming mad dogs in Australia; we shoot them for the good of the greater community. There is no dealing with administrations that are responsible for horrendous civilian holocausts and the destruction of entire nations.

The fact that Bush and his neo-cons have come out today in DEFENCE of TORTURE beggars belief; nevertheless, it serves to confirm the criminal nature of the Bush/Cheney government. The USA remains in breach of international law regarding torture.

Hayden's statement and Whitehouse press releases have only confirmed that NOTHING HAS IMPROVED with this administration.

The latest press release confirms the criminality of the American administration; we quote from VOA, link below:

"The White House is defending the use of the interrogation technique known as 'waterboarding' in certain, rare circumstances when suspects are **believed** to have knowledge of an imminent threat. VOA's Paula Wolfson reports the Central Intelligence Agency now admits it used the technique roughly five years ago on three top terror suspects." [My emphasis.]

The civilised world continues to firmly hold the view that torture is anathema and should never be resorted to under any circumstances - torturers are the lowest types of human being, no beast of the field is capable of such depraved behaviour!

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