

SECURITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Illegal detentions in the name of security

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The continued struggle to see him again



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Violation of human rights

Around the globe, thousands of people are being held without charge or trial, because the government defines them as a security risk

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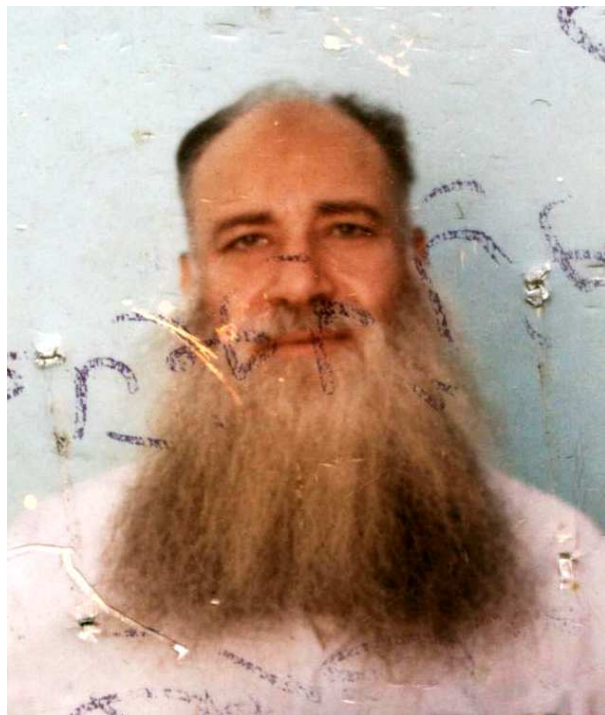
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From Bangkok to Bagram to Guantánamo: Saifullah Paracha



- Businessman and television producer
- Met Osama bin Laden in the '90ies, asked him for a TV interview
- Disappeared during a business trip to Bangkok in 2003
- Showed up a month later in Bagram
- In Guantánamo since 2004
- Never charged or tried
- Serious heart condition

Detained in spite of 15 court orders for his release: Mohamed Abdel Rehim El Sharkawi



- Fled from persecution in Egypt to Pakistan
 - Accused of terrorism by Egypt, extradited
 - In arrest without charge or trial since 1995
 - Repeatedly tortured
 - At least 15 court orders for his release
 - One of maybe 18000 detainees under emergency regulations
 - Hope for law reform in Egypt this year
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Old oppression in new form

- It is not something new that human rights violations are justified as anti-terror measures
 - But the rhetorical use of terror has increased since 9/11
 - U.S. has turned into a negative main stakeholder
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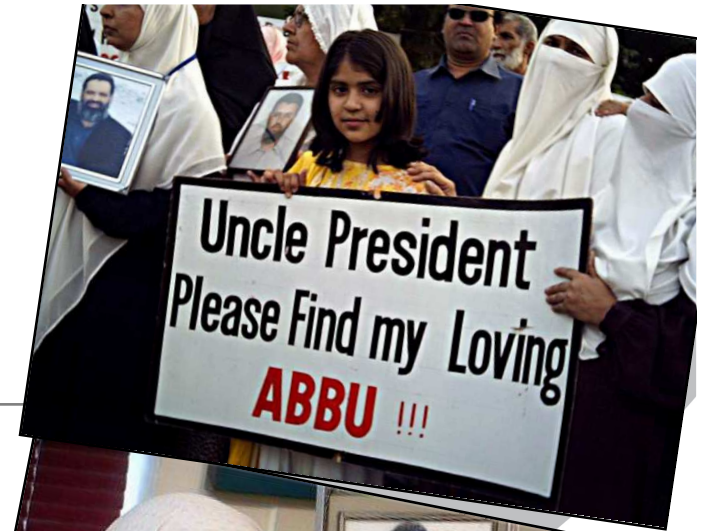
This is about

- Illegal detentions
- Unfair trials
- Torture
- “Disappearances”
- Illegal transfer of prisoners
- Return of asylum seekers to torture
- The lack of investigation of abuses in the past



Who are the victims?

- Many people are being held as terror suspects
 - Criminals ("terrorists")
 - People who have been in contact with - or know something about - terror suspects
 - People who have been active in politics in a legitimate, peaceful way
 - People who have been in the wrong place at the wrong time
- But also: partners, parents and children of those who are arrested or "disappeared"



Amnesty does not want
everyone to be released.
But everyone deserves a fair treatment
in line with human rights.

We demand that

the abuses
against individuals
must stop



The spring campaign starts in mid-April

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