

CHENEY LIES, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE & TORTURE TAPE DESTRUCTION

Marcy noted earlier the article in today's Washington Post by Peter Finn and Joby Warrick detailing the story surrounding abu-Zubaydah's capture and torture. I want to pick up where Marcy left off; i.e. the evidence that nothing was obtained from abu-Zubaydah's torture is the reason the torture tapes destroyed.

THE TORTURE TAPE LIBRARY, EPISODE 51

Judge Hellerstein, after reviewing some contents from the CIA's torture tape library, has taken the next step in forcing CIA to turn over some of that information to the ACLU.

CIA REFUSES TO TURN OVER TORTURE TAPE LIBRARY

The CIA put together an inventory of their torture tape library. But they are not going to hand it over.

THE ABU ZUBAYDAH EXPERIMENT

The New Yorker has a piece with long excerpts from the leaked Red Cross report on American torture of high value detainees. The article sure makes it sound like the torture tapes were an attempt to document which torture methods worked and which did not. Which I guess explains why they had to be destroyed.

A FEW THOUGHTS ON THE TORTURE TAPE INVENTORY

We can discern a few details from the torture tape inventory the ACLU just got.

WHO WATCHED THE TORTURE TAPES?

In addition to the news that the CIA destroyed 92 torture tapes, DOJ has informed Judge Hellerstein that we will shortly get a list of all the witnesses who may have viewed those tapes.

CONYERS INVOKES THE CIA INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT ON TORTURE

Every time I've raised the 2004 CIA IG report on torture on the Hill, whomever I've been talking to has gotten all hush hush, as if even they had to pretend the report never existed. Today, Conyers invoked it as one of the things that a Commission investigating the crimes of Bush and Cheney would focus on.

CRAPPY RECORD- KEEPING: A FEATURE, NOT A BUG

Add Gitmo files to the long list of scandals that the Bush Administration kept no meaningful records of.

JANE MAYER, THE CIA INSPECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT, AND THE TORTURE TAPES

Jane Mayer's Dark Side corroborates something I've been arguing. The CIA IG's report on torture—which concluded that CIA's interrogation methods were cruel and inhumane—was one of the things that made the CIA panic and destroy the

torture tapes.

PELOSI APPOINTS DUSTY FOGGO AND JOSE RODRIGUEZ' BUDDY TO ETHICS COMMITTEE

Nancy Pelosi just appointed one of the most ethically impaired Congressmen this side of the Abramoff mob to be in charge of Congress' Ethics Review Board.