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Justice for Alfreda

STOP TORTURE
Amnesty International



Alfreda

Attacked with a club

On 3 October 2013, Alfreda Disbarro was at an internet café near her home in the Philippines when police officers approached and accused her of being a drug dealer. She denied the allegation and emptied her pockets, which contained only a mobile phone and a five-peso coin. After being threatened with a gun, the mother of two was taken to the police headquarters where she says she was repeatedly punched in the face and stomach, beaten with a club, poked in the eyes, and had her head banged against a wall.

All over the world governments are torturing people like you and me. Thirty years ago Amnesty International helped to secure an historic global ban. But the governments that signed up to it have failed to live up to their promises. They still use torture to obtain 'confessions', silence opposition – or simply to punish.

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Dear Inspector General,

I call on you to open an investigation into Alfreda Disbarro's allegations of torture. If they are confirmed I urge you to:

- Refer the case for public prosecution and cooperate with further investigations as needed by the court.
- Take immediate administrative measures against any police officers found to have been involved or complicit in the torture of Alfreda Disbarro.
- Provide a safe space for whistle-blowers within the Philippine National Police who wish to report instances of torture by their colleagues, including in Alfreda Disbarro's case.

Yours sincerely,

Name

Country
