

STOP TORTURE











Claudia
Daughter
Given
electric

shocks

Ali
Father
Beaten on the soles of his feet

Moses Son Fingernails torn out with pliers

Alfreda Mother Attacked with a club

Dilorom Wife Hit in the face

All over the world people like you and me are being tortured by their governments

Amnesty International has campaigned against torture for over half a century. Thirty years ago we 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', to silence opposition – or simply to punish.

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EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO LIVE FREE FROM TORTURE

Torture is never justified. It's inhumane and illegal under international law.

Of the UN's 193 member states, 155 are parties to the Convention Against Torture. Yet in 2011 Amnesty International recorded cases of torture in 101 countries and in 2012 that went up to 112.

So what can we do to stop it? Torture is hidden away from the world's gaze, its victims feel forgotten, isolated. Often, they are people who have been arrested on suspicion of committing a crime. We have to make sure the outside world can see what happens to them.

Through our **Stop Torture** campaign, Amnesty International will intervene when people are tortured and show the victims that they are not alone. We will insist that lawyers are present during interrogations. We will insist that independent doctors are on hand to examine detainees. And we will insist that the torturers are brought to justice.

But to do this we need you. Join with millions of Amnesty supporters around the world and demand an end to this horrific practice.

Together we can Stop Torture. To find out more go to: www.amnesty.org.uk/stoptorture

