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DISAPPEARED: Aafia Siddiqui, 32, mother of three. Pakistani citizen, studied cognitive neuroscience in Texas and Boston. She and her three children were taken by US intelligence two years ago. The FBI put her picture on their website saying they had arrested her. Now they deny they have her. No one has heard from her in over a year.

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An unidentified Afghan detainee died in November 2002 Kabul, Afghanistan, reportedly of hypothermia, in a secret CIA facility, after being stripped, assaulted and left in cell overnight without blankets. The case is under investigation by CIA Inspector General. No charges yet filed.

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It's Time for All of Us to Stand Up Against Indefinite Detention and Torture

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EXTRAORDINARY RENDITION:
The CIA practice of kidnapping someone off the street, blindfolding and beating him, giving him an enema and putting him in a diaper and jumpsuit before shackling him to the bottom of a plane for transport to a secret prison where "they have ways of making you talk."

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"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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