

Wonderful Bush War-Crimes Saga Continues! Bush Cabinet Personally Approved Tortures!

Prisoners allege forced drugging during US interrogations

At least two dozen former and current detainees have alleged that they were either forcibly administered drugs or witnessed the forceful administration of drugs on other prisoners while in US custody, the Washington Post reported Tuesday. The detainees, held at Guantanamo Bay and other sites, said in interviews and court documents that they did not know what drugs they were given, but that they believed they were intended to make prisoners more pliant during interrogation.

"I said, 'Let me go. I want to go to sleep. If it takes saying I'm a member of al-Qaeda, I will.'" Detainees Allege Being Drugged, Interrogated --2003 Justice Depart-

ment memo explicitly condoned the use of = drugs on prisoners 22 Apr 2008 Adel al-Nusairi remembers his first six months at Guantanamo Bay as this: hours and hours of questions, but first, a needle... Nusairi, now free in Saudi Arabia, was unable to learn what drugs were injected before his interrogations. He is not alone in wondering: At least two dozen other former and current prisoners at Guantanamo Bay and elsewhere say they were given drugs against their will or witnessed other inmates being drugged, based on interviews and court documents.

Amnesty unveils shock 'waterboarding' film --

Campaign to persuade the US to abandon the practice – a form of torture used as long ago as the Spanish Inquisition [and revived by Bush]. 22 Apr 2008 An American expert in torture techniques has denounced his government for allowing "waterboarding" to be practised against terror suspects, just as a graphic advertisement showing the brutal reality of the

technique is unveiled to British cinema-goers. Malcolm Nance, who trained hundreds of US servicemen and women to resist interrogation by putting them through "waterboarding" exercises, demanded an immediate end to the practice by all US personnel. He said: "They seem to think it is worth throwing the honour of 220 years of American decency in war out of the window. Waterboarding is out-and-out torture, and I'm deeply ashamed President [sic] Bush has authorised its use and dragged the US's reputation into the mud."

Tough-talking Clinton vows to 'obliterate' Iran if it ever dares to attack US ally Israel As Pennsylvania went to the polls yesterday, Hillary Clinton sought to burnish her reputation as a hawk by warning Iran that as president she was prepared to "obliterate" the country, should it launch a nuclear attack against Israel. "I want the Iranians to know that if I'm the president, we will attack Iran [if it attacks Israel]," Mrs Clinton said in an interview with the ABC network.

Court Again Clears EPA in 9/11 Toxic Dust Ruling "Legal remedies are not always available"

A federal appeals court in New York has ruled that the EPA and former head Christine Todd Whitman cannot be held accountable for illnesses resulting from hazardous dust and debris from the three buildings destroyed on 9/11, despite the fact that the agency knowingly gave misleading information to residents and workers in the aftermath.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said Whitman's comments reassuring people about the safety around the site apparently were based on conflicting information and reassurances by the White House, reports the AP.

The appeals court said legal remedies are not always available for every instance of arguably deficient governmental performance.

The ruling mirrors that the court made exactly one year ago when it determined that Whitman and other officials cannot be held constitutionally liable.

At the time the court's chief judge, Dennis Jacobs, justified the decision by warning that any other ruling might set the wrong precedent. Jacobs wrote that "Officials might default to silence in the face of the public's urgent need for information".

The law generally doesn't allow citizens to sue the government for mere incompetence, or failing to prevent someone from being injured; To win, plaintiffs must often prove that government employees actually created a danger themselves, through actions "so egregious, so outrageous," that they "shock the contemporary conscience."

Jacobs said Whitman and other EPA officials fell short of violating that standard, even if they had acted with deliberate indifference.

The great GM crops myth

Monsanto admits that the soya had not been engineered to increase yields. by Geoffrey Lean, Environment Editor

Genetic modification actually cuts the productivity of crops, an authoritative new study shows, undermining repeated claims that a switch to the controversial technol-

U.S. arrests American over suspected nuclear espionage for Israel

By News Agencies U.S. authorities arrested an American engineer suspected of giving military secrets involving nuclear weapons, fighter jets and air defense missiles to Israel during the 1980s, the Justice Department said.

Ben-Ami Kadish, an 84-year-old Connecticut-born U.S. citizen who worked at an Army engineering center in New Jersey, was suspected of reporting to the same Israeli government handler who dealt with Jonathan Jay Pollard, currently serving a life term on a

charge of spying for Israel. Kadish faces four counts of conspiracy, including allegations that he conspired to disclose U.S. national defense documents to Israel and that he acted as an agent of the Israeli government, U.S. Attorney Michael J. Garcia and FBI officials said.

The documents included information about nuclear weapons, a modified version of an F-15 fighter jet and the U.S. Patriot missile air defense system. Immediately after the affair broke, a senior defense official said "I find it hard to believe that, after the Pollard affair, we would recruit an American spy."

According to the complaint, the Israeli government worker provided Kadish on numerous

occasions with lists of U.S. national defense classified documents for Kadish to obtain.

Prosecutors also allege Kadish conspired to hinder a communication with a law enforcement officer and make a materially false statement to a law enforcement officer.

Kadish was told by the Israeli contact to lie to U.S. law enforcement agents.

A day later, Kadish lied to FBI agents about his communications with the Israeli worker, the complaint said. The complaint said the Israeli worker, who was not identified in court papers, was born in Israel and is an Israeli citizen.

The complaint noted that Pollard was charged in November 1985 with espionage-

U.S. and local governments, show they knew. They knew the toxic soup created at Ground Zero was a deadly health hazard. Yet they sent workers into the pit and people back into their homes.

"Not only did they know it was unsafe, they didn't heed the words of more experienced people that worked for the city and E.P.A.," said Joel Kupferman, with the group Environmental Justice Project.

An EPA whistleblower, Dr. Cate Jenkins then wrote a letter to Senator Hillary Clinton (D-NY) and other members of the New York congressional delegation blasting the EPA for hiding dangerous toxins from Ground Zero workers in the aftermath of 9/11.

The Letter claimed that EPA-funded research on the toxicity of breathable alkaline dust at the site "falsified pH results" to make the substance appear benign, when it was, in reality, corrosive enough to cause first responders and other workers in lower Manhattan to later lose pulmonary functions and, in some cases, to die.

In an even more shocking development it was revealed that Whitman apparently had financial interests in reassuring the public that all was well and that lower Manhattan could safely be reoccupied.

In a *New York Post* piece which has since been memory holed, but that was reported by **Infowars.net**, these facts became clearly evident:

Meanwhile, Whitman's newly released financial-disclosure forms show that she said seven months before 9/11 that she would not get involved in any issue related to the finances of the Port Authority - which owns the WTC site - because she or her family owned PA bonds. Its finances could be impacted by lawsuits growing of the cleanup.

"I understand the following interests that belong to me, my spouse or my children present a conflict of interest," Whitman wrote at the time. She then listed various investments, including the bistate agency.

But Whitman was involved at Ground Zero

had changed over to the GM crop had "noticed that yields are not as high as expected even under optimal conditions". He added: "People were asking the question 'how come I don't get as high a yield as I used to?'"

He grew a Monsanto GM soybean and an almost identical conventional variety in the same field. The modified crop produced only 70 bushels of grain per acre, compared with 77 bushels from the non-GM one.

The GM crop – engineered to resist Monsanto's own weedkiller, Roundup – recov-

ered only when he added extra manganese, leading to suggestions that the modification hindered the crop's take-up of the essential element from the soil. Even with the addition it brought the GM soya's yield to equal that of the conventional one, rather than surpassing it.

The new study confirms earlier research at the University of Nebraska, which found that another Monsanto GM soya produced 6% less than its closest conventional relative, and 11% less than the best non-GM soya available.

related offense after he provided classified information to the same Israeli worker, among other people.

Pollard, a former civilian intelligence analyst for the U.S. Navy, plead guilty in 1986 to transferring military secrets to Israel while working at the Pentagon. He is serving a life sentence in a U.S. federal prison.

Kadish's arrest indicates that spying revealed by the Pollard case, still an irritant in the close U.S. alliance with Israel, may have spread wider than previously acknowledged. "It was bigger than we thought, and they hid it well," said former U.S. Attorney Joseph diGenova, who prosecuted the Pollard case.

President George W. Bush goes to a primary school to talk about the world. After the brief talk he offers question time for the students. One little boy puts up his hand, and the President asks his name.

"Kenneth."

"And what is your question, Kenneth?"