



All Party Parliamentary Group on  
Extraordinary Rendition  
House of Commons

**RENDITION AND SECRET DETENTION: THE WAY FORWARD**  
**Dec. 6 2006**

**Agenda**

**REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**  
**9.30am - 10.00am**

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**  
**10.00am**

Margaret Satterthwaite, Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, NYU School of Law (CHRGJ)  
Mark Pallis, U.K. All-Party Parliamentary Group on Extraordinary Rendition (APPG)

**INVESTIGATORY AND LEGAL UPDATES**  
**10.15am – 12.00pm**

\* Consists of 2 to 3 minute updates by participants as listed  
*Chair: Jayne Huckerby, CHRGJ*

**Updates on investigations on rendition and secret detention**

- Europe
  - Council of Europe and European Parliament – Gavin Simpson, Council of Europe
- Government
  - United States: Angelina Fisher, Institute for International Law and Justice, NYU School of Law (IILJ)
  - United Kingdom: Mark Pallis, APPG
  - Overview of investigations by countries in Europe: Gavin Simpson, Council of Europe
- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
  - United States
    - Amnesty International (AIUSA and International Secretariat): Jumana Musa, Amnesty International
    - Human Rights First: Priti Patel, Human Rights First
    - Human Rights Watch: John Sifton, Human Rights Watch
  - United Kingdom
    - Interights: Vesselina Vandova, Interights
    - Reprieve and other U.K. NGOs: Clara Gutteridge, Reprieve

- United Nations (U.N.)
  - Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee: Edward J. Flynn, U.N.\*
  - Special Procedures: Margaret Satterthwaite, CHR/GJ
  - Human Rights Council: Patty Blum, Center for Constitutional Rights (CCR)

**Updates on legal/regulatory developments (focusing on legislative efforts) on rendition and secret detention**

- United States
  - Angelina Fisher, IILJ and Aziz Huq, Brennan Center for Justice, NYU School of Law
- United Kingdom
  - Mark Pallis, APPG
- Europe
  - Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE): Susie Alegre and Kirsten Mlacak, OSCE
  - Proposals made by the Secretary General of the Council of Europe, 30 June 2006: Mark Pallis, APPG

**BREAK**  
**15 minutes**

**Ongoing and potential legal challenges in domestic, regional and international forums**

- Individual cases in the United States
  - Majid Khan: Gitanjali Gutierrez, CCR
  - Maher Arar: Maria LaHood, CCR
  - Khaled El-Masri: Ben Wizner/Steven Watt, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)
- Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) claims
  - ACLU Torture FOIA: Ben Wizner/Steven Watt, ACLU
  - Amnesty International, CCR and CHR/GJ FOIA on rendition and disappearances: Jayne Huckerby, CHR/GJ
  - Columbia University School of Law and ACLU FOIA on diplomatic assurances: Peter Rosenblum, Columbia University School of Law
  - CHR/GJ FOIA on disappearances of specific individuals: Margaret Satterthwaite, CHR/GJ
- Other
  - Work of Interights: Vesselina Vandova, Interights
  - Work of Reprieve: Clara Gutteridge, Reprieve
  - Work of World Organization for Human Rights USA: Morton Sklar, World Organization for Human Rights USA
  - Transfers of individuals from Guantánamo and CCR/FIDH complaint against Rumsfeld in Germany: Patty Blum, CCR

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\* Attending in his personal capacity, affiliation indicated for identification purposes only.

**FRAMING THE INVESTIGATORY AND LEGAL CHALLENGES: Part 1**  
**12.00pm – 1.00pm**

*Chair: Jayne Huckerby, CHRGGJ*

Panelists: John Sifton, Human Rights Watch and Gavin Simpson, Council of Europe

**Topic: What do we (still) need to know, why do we need to know it, and how can we go about finding it?**

**LUNCH**  
**1.00 - 2.00pm**

**FRAMING THE INVESTIGATORY AND LEGAL CHALLENGES: Part 2**  
**2.00pm – 3.30pm**

*Chair: Margaret Satterthwaite, CHRGGJ*

Panelists: Gitanjali Gutierrez, CCR and Steven Watt, ACLU

**Topic: Key obstacles to ending the practice of rendition and secret detention and obtaining redress via legal actions/suits in U.S. courts**

**REGULATORY SYSTEMS FOR INTER-STATE TRANSFER OF SUSPECTS – KEY ELEMENTS AND CHALLENGES**  
**3.30pm – 5.30pm**

*Chair: Margaret Satterthwaite, CHRGGJ*

3.30pm – 4.00pm

Panelists: Margaret Satterthwaite, CHRGGJ; Jayne Huckerby, CHRGGJ; and Julia Hall, Human Rights Watch

**Topic: Legal starting points for regulation of inter-State transfer of terrorism suspects – Definition, Applicable Law, and Diplomatic Assurances**

**BREAK**  
**15 minutes**

4.15pm – 5.30pm

Panelists: Jumana Musa, Amnesty International and Mark Pallis, APPG

**Topic: The U.S. and U.K. Experience: Overview and Discussion of Prospects**

**NEXT STEPS**  
**5.30pm – 5.50pm**

Margaret Satterthwaite and Jayne Huckerby, CHRGGJ and Mark Pallis, APPG

**CONCLUDING REMARKS AND THE WAY FORWARD**  
**5.50pm – 6.00pm**

Andrew Tyrie MP, APPG