

The World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT) cordially invites you to a side event held in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Tunisia to the United Nations



For an action plan against torture and ill-treatment in Tunisia

Monday, 5th March 2012
15h00 – 17h00
Room XXI, Palais des Nations

The side event will take stock of the reform process in Tunisia in relation to the eradication of torture and ill-treatment. While the practice of torture and ill-treatment was widespread and systematic in the past there are now opportunities in a democratic Tunisia to ensure justice and accountability for acts of torture and ill-treatment and to build a legal and policy framework that can prevent torture and ill-treatment in the future. The side event follows the presentation of the report issued by the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture on his 2011 mission to Tunisia and a national consultation on torture recently convened by the World Organisation Against Torture. The UN Human Rights Council will also review Tunisia under the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) in 2012 and Tunisia is expected to submit a revised report to the UN Committee Against Torture. In 2011 Tunisia had also ratified a series of international documents, including the Protocol to the UN Convention Against Torture.

Speakers:

Mr. Juan E. Méndez, UN Special Rapporteur on Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

H.E. Ambassador Moncef Baati, Permanent Mission of Tunisia to the United Nations in Geneva

Mr. Mondher Cherni, Secretary General, Organisation Against Torture in Tunisia (Organisation tunisienne contre la torture, OTCC)

Moderator:

Mr. Gerald Staberock, Secretary General, OMCT

Refreshments will be served
Interpretation French-English will be available

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