

European judges rule Lithuania and Romania aided CIA torture



Brussels, June 2 (RHC)-- The European Court of Human Rights has ruled that Lithuania and Romania violated the rights of two accused terrorists by allowing the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency to torture them in secret prisons.

The court found the countries violated Article 3 of the Geneva Conventions, which requires the humane treatment of prisoners of war.

Judges say Lithuania operated a secret CIA black site from 2005 to '06, where accused al-Qaeda recruiter Abu Zubaydah was tortured; they also ruled the prisoner Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri was tortured at a CIA prison in Romania between 2004 and '05. The New York Times reports al-Nashiri was tortured at a separate CIA black site in Thailand in 2002—a prison that was overseen by Gina Haspel, who was confirmed last month as CIA director.

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