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## Torturers and Murderers "Appropriately" Punished?!!

"[The Pentagon] has gone through the appropriate and regular processes. And the individuals who were involved have been identified, and appropriate actions have been taken."

Barack Obama, on the question of punishment for U.S. personnel involved in torture, May 13, 2009

May 12—Obama appoints General Stanley A. McChrystal as the new commander of U.S. occupation forces in Afghanistan.

As head of the Joint Special Operations Command from 2001-2008, among the things McChrystal was involved in were:

- Responsibility over Camp Nama, a U.S. base in Baghdad, where (according to Human Rights Watch and others) torture was routinely carried out against Iraqi prisoners.
- Working closely with Dick Cheney, including overseeing what journalist Seymour Hersh characterized as an "executive assassination wing" that killed targets in the Middle East, South Asia, North Africa, and Central America.
- Heading up Special Operation forces in Afghanistan that have carried out many of the raids and bombings of villages, leading to massacres of civilians.

Obama has now handed McChrystal a major promotion. This is what Obama considers "appropriate action" in relation to those involved in torture and murders!!!



Below:
An Agfhan child lies in a hospital bed with injuries from a U.S. airstrike in Helmand, July, 2007.

