

Removals, Enforcement and Detention Policy Immigration and Border Policy Directorate

ANNEX C

DETENTION SERVICES ORDER 9/2016 – DETENTION CENTRE RULE 35

Rule 35(3) report - concerns that a detainee may have been a victim of torture

Section 1: Detainee's details

Forename(s):	D720		-	
Surname:	D720			
Date of Birth:	DPA	HO reference number:	7720436	
Immigration Removal Centre:	Gatwick Immigration Removal Centre			

Section 2: Detainee's authority to release medical information

The detainee named above has authorised the release of the medical information in this report in line with the guidance in DSO 1/2016 – The Protection, Use and Sharing of Medical Information Relating to People Detained Under Immigration Powers.

Section 3: Medical practitioner's report (Please read the notes at the end of this form)

I have examined the detainee named above in my capacity as an immigration removal centre medical practitioner and hereby report that I have concerns that the detainee may have been a victim of torture. This is a factual report rather than a medico-legal one.

I understand that torture in this context means:

Any act by which severe pain or suffering, whether physical or mental, is intentionally inflicted on a person for such purposes as obtaining from him or a third person information or a confession, punishing him for an act he or a third person has committed or is suspected of having committed, or intimidating or coercing him or a third person, or for any reason based on discrimination of any kind, when such pain or suffering is inflicted by or at the instigation of or with the consent or acquiescence of a public official or other person acting in an official capacity. It does not include pain or suffering arising only from, inherent in or incidental to lawful sanctions.

I also understand that it includes such acts carried out by terrorist groups exploiting instability and civil war to hold territory.

Section 4: Detainee's account

Please provide details of the account given to you by the detainee of the alleged torture. In particular, please provide:

 as much detail as possible about the detainee's explanation for the cause of each injury, scar or symptom (physical or psychological).
details of <u>when</u>, <u>where</u>, <u>how</u>, <u>over what timeframe</u> and <u>why</u> the torture is said to have happened, if possible.

This patient mentions that physical and emotional abuse took place up to the age of 11. He mentions it occured in Granada and when he moved here to the UK aged 8 it started here. He mentions he was being burnt and beaten and treated badly by his father.

He mentions he came to the UK in 1999. He was taken into care due to neglect and abuse by his father. He mentions he had indefinite remain to leave and mentions he was in prison for offences as well. He mentions his mother has been killed in Granada due to the government wanting his father to be killed (due to sensitive/Irrelevant) and ended up killing his mother instead. He mentions his whole immediate family is in the UK.

He mentions that the only connection he has in Granada is his father and that he is known by the locality there who he is and who his father is. As a result he mentions that the people after his father are also after him. He fears for his life if he was to be deported as he claims the people who want his father dead will intend to kill him.

Section 5: Relevant clinical observations and findings

Please provide details of your objective clinical observations and findings. This should include:

- details of all scarring or other physical marks, psychological symptoms, physical disability or impairment.
- details of any medical or professional treatment/support that the detainee has received (including outside the UK) or is receiving and from whom.
- any information in respect of previous or current physical or mental health problems which may be a result of having been tortured.

He shows me a scar 3 x 3 cm on the left forearm and the upper arm. These are all wide and irregular suggesting not having stitches.

- He shows me a scar on the left forearm and a small scar mark on the right forearm and the back of the right hand 1cm which he claims was from being burn by a lighter by his father.
- Also a cut on the left back of the hand 1cm.
- He shows me a small cut under the right eye 1cm
- Also above the left eyebrow there is a small scar and also under the left lower eye lid where he mentions his father threw a small TV at him.
- Also thee are a few marks on the arms faded scars.

Section 6: Assessment

Please set out your reasoned assessment of why, on the basis of the detainee's account together with your own examination and clinical findings, you are concerned that the detainee may have been a victim of torture. This should include your assessment of:

- the consistency of any physical (eg scars) and/or psychological findings with the detainee's allegations, including any evidence to the contrary
- whether there might be other plausible causes for the findings
- the impact <u>detention</u> is having on the detainee and why, including the likely impact of ongoing detention

If there are no physical or psychological findings to support the detainee's account, you <u>must</u> state why, in your professional assessment, you nevertheless have objective grounds for your concern.

This patients scars are consistent with his account.

Section 7: Signature

Signed:
Printed name:
Position and qualifications:
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Date19 Apr 2017
If other healthcare professionals have supported you in examining the detainee and/or in producing this report their details must be given below:
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NOTES - for the medical practitioner

The requirement to report need only be triggered by you having a concern that the detainee may have been a victim of torture. However, you should not make a report where the detainee's experience of harm or mistreatment does not meet the definition of torture given in section 3 above, or where you do not have clinical concerns that the detainee may have been a victim of torture, including instances where there is no basis for concern other than an unsupported claim by the detainee to have been a victim of torture.

Your report must be completed legibly, with all questions being completed fully. Consideration of the report will be delayed if Home Office officials have to return the report to seek clarification.

If the Home Office request clarification of any point in this report, this must be provided promptly.

Once completed this report must be faxed to the Home Office IRC Team.

A signed copy of this report must be placed on the detainee's medical record and another signed copy provided to the detainee free of charge.

The Home Office response must on receipt be reviewed by the medical practitioner. If it is considered to unsatisfactorily address the original concerns, it must be escalated to the Home Office IRC Team.

NOTES – for the Home Office caseworker

You must consider and respond to this report in line with the guidance and instructions in:

Chapter 55b Enforcement Instructions and Guidance – Adults at Risk in Immigration Detention

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