**Towards a reform of the Anti-Torture regulation**

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**Sound:** natural with Spanish speech, English voice-over

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**Restriction:** none

**Intro**

*Strasbourg, 28th of October.* Yesterday, the European Parliament backed the reform of the anti-torture regulation. With this text – unique in the world - MEPs want to send the message that the EU is profoundly committed to the fight against torture and the death penalty.

**This broadcast-quality video package contains:**

* Extracts of the plenary session in the European Parliament in Strasbourg
* Interview with S&D Spokesperson on the Anti-Torture regulation, Inmaculada Rodriguez-Pinero (Spanish + English subtitles)
* 1 'ready-to-air' video
* 1 B-Roll video
* Stock Shots on death penalty

**Shotlist**

FRANCE, STRASBOURG (OCTOBER 28, 2015) (SOCIALISTS AND DEMOCRATS, EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - ACCESS ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT IN STRASBOURG (EXTERIOR)
2. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF THE VOTE ON ANTI-TORTURE REGULATIONS
3. CUTAWAYS: VARIOUS OF IMMACULADARODRÍGUEZ-PIÑERO TALKING TO HER COLLEAGUE
4. VOICE-OVER SAYING (ENGLISH):

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1. IMMACULADARODRÍGUEZ-PIÑERO FERNÁNDEZ (S&D) SAYING (SPANISH):

« The aim is that European individuals and companies, or even subsidiaries in foreign countries, do not trade or export products which can be used for the death penalty or torture. »

1. VOICE-OVER SAYING (ENGLISH):

“This reform actually aims to increase the list of products that can be misused for torture and human rights abuses, and widens the current EU ban to include services, finance, transport and insurance. »

1. CUTAWAYS: VARIOUS OF IMMACULADARODRÍGUEZ-PIÑERO TALKING TO HER COLLEAGUE
2. IMMACULADARODRÍGUEZ-PIÑERO FERNÁNDEZ (S&D) SAYING (SPANISH):

 “We also achieved a ban on related services and technical assistance services which support the use of these products. More importantly, we also managed to ban promotional activities and trade fairs for these types of goods. »

TEXAS, USA (01 OCTOBER, 2007) (EUROPEAN COMMISSION AUDIOVISUAL - ACCESS ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF A PRISON IN TEXAS
2. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF AN ELECTRIC CHAIR IN AN AMERICAN PRISON

FRANCE, STRASBOURG (OCTOBER 28, 2015) (SOCIALISTS AND DEMOCRATS, EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - ACCESS ALL)

1. VOICE-OVER SAYING (ENGLISH):

“Member States will also have to apply an immediate ban on the export of new devices and technologies that have no practical use other than for torture or to execute people. The transit of these products through the EU will also be prohibited. »

1. IMMACULADARODRÍGUEZ-PIÑERO FERNÁNDEZ (S&D) SAYING (SPANISH):

 “We have taken an important step in the defence of human rights. The most important aspect is the dignity of people’s lives and thus ending the death penalty and torture. »

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF THE VOTE ON ANTI-TORTURE REGULATIONS
2. VOICE-OVER SAYING (ENGLISH):

« The text that has just been adopted will now be negotiated with the EU Council, representing the Member States, and we hope the restrictions will be put in place quickly. »

**Story**

*Strasbourg, 28th of October.* Yesterday Yesterday, the European Parliament backed the reform of the anti-torture regulation. With this text – unique in the world - MEPs want to send the message that the EU is profoundly committed to the fight against torture and the death penalty. This regulation seeks to ensure that no European national, company or their subsidiaries will be able to profit from trade in goods, substances and services used for such human rights abuses. The text is also about prohibiting any kind of promotion activity, exhibition in market fairs, technical assistance and brokering services related to these goods and provided by EU nationals or companies. MEPs also want national authorities to be enabled to immediately stop the export of new devices and technologies that will have no practical use other than to torture, ill-treat or execute individuals. The text that has just been adopted will now be negotiated with the EU Council.