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Dear David

Re: Binyam Mohamed

The latest allegations, published in the Observer and elsewhere on 15 February, are of considerable concern to the APPG.

The specific allegation is that the Foreign Office solicited a letter from the US Administration to substantiate its claim that the publication of a summary of Binyam Mohamed's treatment would lead to a reconsideration of the intelligence sharing relationship between the US and the UK. This can only entrench the suspicion of a cover-up.

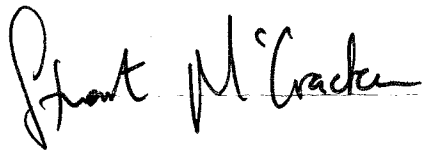
The UK Courts have already substantiated claims made by me, among others, that the UK 'facilitated' the interrogation of Binyam Mohamed at a time when they knew he was being detained incommunicado and without access to a lawyer. These further allegations, if true, would lend support to those who argue that the UK Government has been attempting to conceal the extent of its involvement in extraordinary rendition, that is, the kidnapping of people and the taking of them to places where they may be maltreated or tortured.

The most appropriate way that the Foreign Office can dispel this impression would be to publish all relevant information on this issue, including correspondence with the US Administration, redacted where necessary.

With that purpose in mind, by this letter I am requesting a copy of all information relevant to the above allegation. This will include, but not be limited to, correspondence and any other communications (oral or written) with the US Administration, including notes and minutes of meetings; and any other information, such as internal departmental and cross-departmental communications (oral and written), notes and minutes of internal meetings and any other pertinent documents. I am making this request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I am putting this letter in the public domain.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Grant McCracken". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'G' and 'M'.

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Chairman, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Extraordinary Rendition