

DFW Amnesty International Members And Crawford Peace House Join Shut Down Guantanamo Vigil On January 11, 2007

Noon gathering at Earl Cabell Federal Building to denounce torture and mark fifth anniversary of Guantanamo Bay.

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CRAWFORD, Texas/EWORLDWIRE/Jan. 10, 2007 --- The Dallas-Ft. Worth Amnesty International members will join others including the Dallas Peace Center, the Crawford Peace House and the Bill of Rights Defense Committee in hosting a vigil at the Earl Cabell Federal Building, 1100 Commerce on Thursday, January 11, to mark the fifth anniversary of the first arrival of detainees at the U.S.-controlled detention center in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Guantanamo has held more than 700 men captured in the U.S.-led war on terror, and to date, only ten have been charged with a crime - perpetuating a regime of indefinite detention, in clear violation of international law.

"The practices in the war on terror pioneered at Guantanamo Bay have corroded America's moral standing, and Guantanamo has come to symbolize the Administration's human rights violations in the war on terror as a whole," said Chip Pitts, president of the Bill of Rights Defense Committee (<http://www.bordc.org>) and former chair of Amnesty International USA. "In the process of restoring the America we believe in, closing Guantanamo is a critical step."

WHAT: 'Shut Down Guantanamo'

WHEN: Thursday, January 11, 12:00 p.m. (Noon)

WHERE: Earl Cabell Federal Building, 1100 Commerce, Dallas

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