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NIGERIA

Moses Akatugba



TORTURED AND ON DEATH ROW

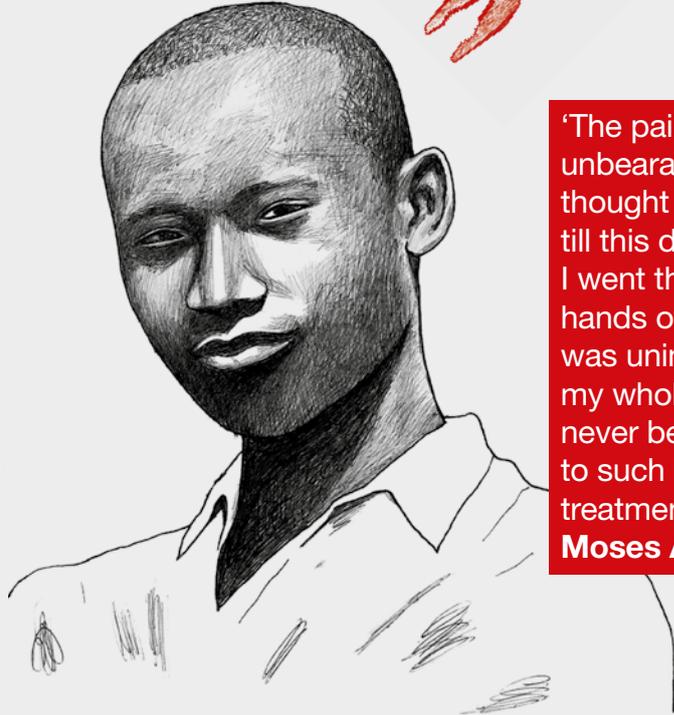
Moses Akatugba was 16 when he was arrested in November 2005 by the Nigerian army. He was accused of armed robbery, a crime he says he never committed.

After eight years in prison, he was sentenced to death by hanging and remains on death row. International law states that no one under the age of 18 at the time of the alleged crime should be sentenced to death.

Moses Akatugba says he was shot in the hand, beaten and hung for hours in interrogation rooms after his arrest. He claims police officers used pliers to extract his finger and toe nails and forced him to sign a 'confession'.

Since he was transferred to prison in March 2006, he sees his family only twice a month.

■ www.amnesty.org.uk/moses



'The pain of torture is unbearable. I never thought I would be alive till this day. The pain I went through in the hands of the officers was unimaginable. In my whole life, I have never been subjected to such inhuman treatment.'

Moses Akatugba

SEND A SOLIDARITY CARD TO:

Human Rights, Social Development and Environmental Foundation
(Moses Akatugba)
PO Box 1800
Diobu
Port Harcourt
Rivers State
Nigeria

- **Preferred language** English or Nigerian pidgin
- **Salutation** Dear Moses
- **Suggested message** You are not alone! I am thinking of you and send you my best wishes. Your friend from Amnesty International.
- **Additional information** 12 November is the anniversary of Moses's death sentence.

CAN I

- Send a religious card or message?
- Send an Amnesty card or mention Amnesty?
- Include my name and address?
- Download the message in another language?

SEND AN APPEAL LETTER TO:

Urge the Governor of Delta State, Dr Emmanuel Uduaghan, to commute the death sentence and investigate the torture of Moses Akatugba.

Write to: His Excellency Dr Emmanuel Uduaghan
Governor of Delta State
Office of the Governor
Government House
Asaba
Delta State
Nigeria

Email: info@emmanueluduaghan.com.ng
Online: www.facebook.com/euduaghan
www.twitter.com/Euduaghan

Salutation: Your Excellency

In your letter:

- Urge the Governor to commute Moses Akatugba's death sentence.
- Ask him to ensure an independent investigation into allegations of torture by the police in Delta State.