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## ACTIVITY 2 – THE CASE FOR GUANTÁNAMO

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### Bringing Terrorists To Justice

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**Today, the President announced that Khalid Sheikh Mohammed ('KSM'), Abu Zubaydah, Ramzi Bin Al Shibh, and 11 other terrorists in CIA custody have been transferred to the custody of the Department of Defense, at the US Naval Base at Guantánamo Bay.**

**... These men have provided valuable information that has saved innocent lives in the United States and around the world.**

The detainees recently transferred to the US naval base at Guantánamo Bay were previously held and questioned by the CIA. The CIA programme focused on a number of suspected terrorist leaders and operatives – dangerous men with unparalleled knowledge about terrorist networks and plans for new attacks.

The CIA programme has been, and remains, one of the most vital tools in our war against the terrorists. Questioning of detainees in the programme has given us information that has saved innocent lives by helping us to stop new attacks in America and abroad.

Information from detainees questioned in this programme has helped unravel plots and terrorist cells. According to our intelligence community, the programme has produced information that has saved lives. Some examples include the following:

- Abu Zubaydah told us that Al Qaida operatives were planning to launch an attack inside the United States. Based on information he provided, the operatives were detained, one while travelling to the US. Zubaydah also disclosed that Khalid Sheikh Mohammed ('KSM') was the mastermind behind the September 11 attacks. *[There are more examples given in full press release].*

Suspected terrorists in the CIA programme have provided everything from initial leads to photo identifications to precise locations of where terrorists were hiding – helping us take potential mass murderers off the streets before they were able to kill or kill again.

The press release can be read in full at: <http://whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2006/09/20060906-2.html>

#### DEFINITIONS:

**Detainees** – people being held in prison

**The CIA (Central Intelligence Agency)** – an agency of the United States government that collects information relating to national security

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#### Questions

1. What justification is given for keeping suspected terrorists in prison and questioning them?

2. What techniques does the author use to convince you?

3. What is fact and what is opinion?

4. What does the author say is the impact of Guantánamo?

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### ACTIVITY 3 – THE CASE AGAINST GUANTÁNAMO

1. What are the families and campaigners calling for? What reasons do they give?

2. What techniques does the filmmaker use to convince you?

3. What is fact and what is opinion?

4. What does the film say is the impact of Guantánamo (on those imprisoned there and their families)?