

TABOO OPINIONS #8

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Every country at war (even a 'war' against terrorism) will torture some of its prisoners to get information. As we all know, in the real world the end justifies the means. And might makes right.

But there are problems when the real world meets the idealistic Public Morality, as now, with the uproar over published pictures of our soldiers and some 'private contractors' brutalizing and degrading some Iraqi prisoners.

So the blame game will play out, possibly resulting in some courts-martial and high-level resignations.

All because of those graphic photographs of naked men. But the news departments of all the networks cable news channels and newspapers have heroically protected us all from the even more horrible sights of naked buttocks and genitals!

Ah, America! We willingly, eagerly watch violence and brutality repeated endlessly on TV as when police are video-taped beating the living hell out of a drunken black man, but we are outraged and shocked! shocked! if real nudity appears, even for an instant.

Yet---why do I think an Uncensored News program (on HBO, say) would be an instant hit?

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