

**Note:** *The decision can be read about directly on the [European Court of Human Rights site](#) which links to a press release*

*explaining the decision in great detail.*

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PARIS — The European Court of Human Rights ruled Thursday that Poland had violated the rights of two terrorism suspects by allowing their transfer to a secret detention center run by the C.I.A. in Poland, where the two men were tortured.

The ruling says Poland failed to prevent the two men — [Abu Zubaydah](#), born in Saudi Arabia, and [Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri](#), a Saudi citizen — from being subjected to “torture and inhuman or degrading treatment” after they were brought to the prison in northeast Poland. It ordered Poland to pay 100,000 euros, about \$135,000, to Mr. Nashiri and \$175,000 to Abu Zubaydah. Both are now being held at the American detention center in Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

Abu Zubaydah is believed to have overseen the operation of guesthouses in Pakistan where terrorism recruits arrived; he vetted them and provided letters of recommendation allowing them to be accepted for training at a paramilitary camp in Afghanistan, [a former Guantánamo detainee said](#) in a military court filing, for example. Mr. Nashiri is accused of plotting the [2000 bombing of the American destroyer Cole](#).

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