

Not One More Day of Torture For The Last British Resident of Guantanamo Bay Prison Camp

U.S. Defense Secretary Ashton B. Carter's notice of intent to repatriate the illegally detained "terror suspect" -- Mr Aamer has never been charged with a crime -- is a welcome development.

It would be premature to celebrate the prisoner's release, as this is hardly a done deal, but we call on people of conscience to seize the moment to redouble efforts to free Shaker Aamer and all 113 remaining survivors of extrajudicial incarceration.

We condemn the 30 day waiting period for Congressional deliberation, and hold that the delay

constitutes unconscionable punishment on top of the 13 year disruption of his life. Mr Aamer has yet to meet his youngest son, born after his detention.

It is up to us to "walk the talk" to see that President Obama's promise to close Guantanamo becomes a reality. We will celebrate Shaker Aamer's repatriation when he boards a plane for London. We will not rest until he's free and all the prisoners are free and those responsible for this crime of indefinite detention and torture are brought to justice.