

In "Tortured Logic," Oliver Stone, 9/11 Family Member And Others Read From An Infamous Torture Memo

The American Civil Liberties Union released a video today featuring prominent figures, including Oscar-winning actor Oliver Stone, reading from a 2002 memo that details the torture of detainees at Guantanamo Bay.

"The chilling and clinical nature of these memos really sinks in when you hear them read aloud," said ACLU Executive Director Anthony D. Romero.

The two-minute online video, entitled "Tortured Logic," includes appearances by Stone, 9/11 family member James Hanan, and others.

The video is housed at www.aclu.org/torturedlogic, a site that contains a pre-written letter that viewers can sign and send to Attorney General Eric Holder.

The video's release comes amid recent news reports suggesting that Attorney General Holder is considering a review of the torture memos.

"There is ample evidence already in the public domain that widespread and systemic torture of detainees has taken place," said Romero.

The video begins with Stone reading directly from the memo, authored by John J. Bybee in 2002. "In order for the United States to win the war on terror, we must use all means necessary to obtain information from our enemies," the memo reads.

The new ACLU video, "Tortured Logic," along with a list of participants in the video, can be viewed online at www.aclu.org/torturedlogic.