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**All Party Parliamentary Group on Extraordinary Rendition
House of Commons**

**APPG on Extraordinary Rendition holds Information Session on
Bisher Al-Rawi and Jamil El-Banna, and rendition with:**

- **Wahab al-Rawi, the brother of Bisher al-Rawi, who was also arrested in the Gambia;**
- **Sabah el-Banna the wife of Jamil el-Banna;**
- **George Mickum (the lawyer representing Bisher al-Rawi and Jamil el-Banna in the US);**
- **Gareth Pierce (lawyer representing Bisher al-Rawi and Jamil el-Banna in the UK).**

Today, at 5.30pm in Room C, 1 Parliament Street, the All Party Parliamentary Group on Extraordinary Rendition is holding an information session to discuss the alleged rendition of Bisher Al-Rawi and Jamil El-Banna.

Mr Tyrie, Chairman of the APPG said:

**“We are trying to find answers to three simple questions:
Were they rendered?; Did the UK know about it?; Did the UK
support it?”**

“Rendition needs to be brought within the rule of law. Only by respecting our values of respect for law and due process can Western countries export those values to other countries around the world.

Without respect for the law, Tony Blair’s and George Bush’s calls for the extension of democracy in the Middle East and elsewhere are meaningless.

The charge that the UK government may have been assisting the US administration in rendering people to places where they suffer inhuman treatment or torture is a grave one. It is essential that parliament gets to the facts.”

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