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**Reference:** cl1hpgh**Date:** Friday, May 31, 2024**Type:** Human rights violation**Original:** English**Consent:** I am/we are the alleged victim(s), and I/we give my/our consent**Related mandates**

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- cultural rights
- freedom of opinion and expression
- human rights defenders
- international solidarity
- torture

**Victims**

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**Name:** Paolo Dorigo**Type:** Individual**Sex:** Male**Date of birth:** 24/10/1959**Victim is a child (under 18 years of age)?** No**Nationality:** Italy**Email:** acofoinmenef.mobile@gmail.com**Telephone:** 3203583621**Address:**

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**Ethnic, religious, social or other background:** Former political prisoner**Occupation:** Tradeunionist**Affiliation or activity:** Affiliation in an organization or association**Submitted by**

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**Describe the activities of the group/community, civil society or other entity:**

Association of victims of technological torture (from 2009 - former AVae-m from 2005 - former political prisoner in Italy from 1993 to 2006). It brings forward knowledge and denunciation of other inhuman and arbitrary treatments of other army and police forces and criminals who use non-lethal weapons against defenseless people, including many women.

**Contact persons of the group/community, civil society or other entity:**

Movimento ampio contro la tortura tecnologica, psicologica e mentale  
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**Disclosure**

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**Does the alleged victim(s) or group/community agree to have their name(s) disclosed in a letter that may be sent to the Government, or others, such as intergovernmental organisations including United Nations entities, businesses, military or security companies?**

Yes - Dorigo Paolo

**Does the alleged victim(s) agree to have their name(s) appear in a public report to the Human Rights Council?**

Yes - Dorigo Paolo

**Case details**

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**Country where the incident allegedly occurred/is occurring/might occur:** Italy**District:** Italian prisons of Biella, Livorno, Spoleto, Sulmona, province of Venice and others, and occasionally, others country during short stays.**If relevant to your submission, please indicate whether there are additional country/ies where the incident allegedly occurred/is occurring/might occur, or otherwise related to the case submitted** Belgium, Croatia, France, Germany, Italy, Slovenia, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**Please provide a short chronological summary of the incident: what happened; when (date/time); who was involved?**

1993 10 23 last arrest

1995 11 Novara special prison

total anesthesia without consent

1996 01 04

suicide attempt with fire

2002 04 torture begins

2006 03 release from prison

2006 06 I started working as trade unionist

2022 04 and 07 - 4 episodes of cardiocirculatory pressure attack out of 230-240, with three admissions to the hospital emergency room

2024 01 most recent archives in court of Venice and Livorno.

**Are there witnesses to the incident?** Don't know**Is there evidence or substantiating information concerning the incident?** Don't know**Does the alleged victim believe she/he was targeted due to her/his** Engagement in human rights, trade union, political, religious activities or other types of activities

Since my youth I have always been a political militant in the student and workers' movements, and I have been arrested 4 times for crimes of politics. Twice I was acquitted. Overall, I was in prison for 14 and a half years, with house arrest for two years.

I was secretly anesthetized in Novara prison in November 1995.

Since April 2002 I have been tortured auditorily and with nerve pain inflicted via radio.

These treatments have continued uninterrupted ever since (even entering my dreams).

The Italian courts continue to dismiss my complaints.

**Has the incident been reported to the relevant authorities?** Yes**Please include details of any complaints filed or any other action taken by the alleged victim(s) or anyone else on their behalf?**

Since 2002 I have filed around 50 complaints in various prosecutor's offices. I presented the last one in 2022.

The ECHR and the Council of Europe were interested in my judicial case from 1998 to 2005.

The ECHR intervention was on the rules of the trial, which was redone a Bologna in Italy in 2014.

But nothing was done about the torture. complaints.

**Has the Government taken action to prevent or investigate the incident, punish the perpetrators, or ensure compensation to the alleged victim(s)?** No**Is this case under consideration by any other international or regional body?** Don't know**cultural rights**

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**If the alleged violation relates to the right to access to, and enjoyment of cultural heritage, please provide information about such cultural heritage: whether it is recognized as national or international cultural heritage; who is responsible for protecting/safeguarding and managing it; which communities have a specific interest in it; etc.**

My First work as informatica software producer. until 1993. My second work as an painter artist until 1993, last exhibitions episodically in 2005. Those activities was prevented by the interference of my thoughts from strangers. Actually, My First work as a trade unionist and as editor is greatly hindered and damaged by this treatment.

**Do you believe the alleged victim was specifically targeted because of her/his ethnic or religious background, language, belonging to a particular group, etc? Please specify.**

It's completely obvious. For over 50 years I have been a political militant hostile to all the governments that have followed one another since 1973. My father Wladimiro was greatly hindered in his life (1927-2006). My brother Martino had to interrupt his important political activity after two terms as a communist parliamentarian in the Chamber of Deputies. I have been falsely accused by criminal collaborators of attacking an American military base.

**freedom of opinion and expression**

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**Please indicate any views, affiliations, past or present participation in political, social, ethnic or labour group/activity.**

From the 1973 i am militant of Lotta continua, from the 1976 militant of Autonomia operaia, from 2003 i am Investigated and persecuted as a militant and organizer of Red Brigades and Union of fighting communists. Once released from prison, I have always been involved with the Slai Cobas union and with the associations AVae-m and Acofoimnenef. I went on 25 hunger strikes, almost all while I was in prison, of which 5 lasted more than 50 days, some more than 70 days.

**Please indicate the nature of the medium affected (newspaper, independent radio, etc.), including circulation and frequency of**

**publication or broadcasting, public performances, etc, as well as the political orientation of the medium, if relevant.**

In 2006 I made a tour of 25 public conferences throughout Italy in which I denounced the torture conditions I suffer. But professional secrecy as a former computer scientist, then as an artist, as trade unionist and as publisher, is impossible for me in this conditions of neuro-logical interference.

**If the incident involves restrictions on a medium (e.g. censorship, closure of a news organ, banning of a book, etc.); please indicate the identity of the authority involved (individual and/or ministry and/or department), the legal statute invoked, and steps taken to seek domestic remedy.**

Apparently I didn't experience censorship, but that's not the case. I was also prosecuted for defamation, but I was acquitted twice, in 2015 and 2023.

**If the incident involves arrest of an individual or individuals, the identity of the authority involved (individual and/or ministry and/or department), the legal statute invoked, location of detention if known, information on provision of access to legal counsel and family members, steps taken to seek domestic remedy or clarification of person's situation and status.**

The lawyer who defended me by denouncing mind control torture, Vittorio Trupiano, was detained for many years.

**human rights defenders****Please indicate the status of the alleged victim(s) as a human rights defender: in what human rights activity is the alleged victim (person(s) / organization) engaged?**

In the past I suffered persecution as a member of the Coordination against repression and all the defendants were acquitted by the Venice court in 1991. I organized and participated in open meetings, protests, closed meetings and victims' self-defense councils, publicizing what we all suffer

**torture****Please indicate where the person was seized (city, province, etc.) and location at which the torture was carried out, if known.**

As I said before, it all started in a cell in the special prison of Novara where in mid-November 1995 I was anesthetized while I was sleeping. I have a very short memory of 2 seconds. On January 4, 1996, without having decided beforehand, I set myself on fire with a 180g gas cylinder. I suffered 2nd and 3rd degree burns and risked dying.

**Indication of the forces carrying out the torture.**

Until 2006, Police and Army forces, probable prisons police. After 2006, Police and Army forces.

**Description of the form and methods of torture used and any injury sustained as a result.**

Auditory din, auditory torture, insults, slander, continuous persistence, for 22 years. Difficult to sleep at night. Sensations of pain in the genital systems and in many other sensitive points, including the head, defecation conditioning systems. With transmissions.

**Were any person, such as a lawyer, relatives or friends, permitted to see the alleged victim(s) during detention? If so, how long after the arrest?**

Normally, once a month, apart from the initial months of solitary confinement (4 times) and the disciplinary solitary confinement periods (10 times), and almost a year of solitary confinement in 1985 in prison of Venice.

**What was believed to be the purpose of the torture?**

Get my confession to things I never committed and, recently, the withdrawal of my complaints.

**Was the alleged victim(s) examined by a doctor at any point during or after victim's ordeal? If so, when? Was the examination performed by a prison or government doctor?**

Normally not, they try to make you look crazy. Only once, in 2015, I managed to undergo surgical research on my left ear, but in vain, in the Mirano hospital, Venice

**Was appropriate treatment received for injuries sustained as a result of the torture?**

In the past year, Zero. I am currently under neurological treatment for circulation problems.

**Was the examination performed in a manner which would enable the doctor to detect evidence of injuries sustained as a result of the torture? Were any medical reports or certificates issued? If so, what did the reports reveal?**

There are many clues, no evidence.

**If the alleged victim(s) died in custody, was an autopsy or forensic examination performed and which were the results?**

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**Perpetrators**

Is the identity/occupation of the alleged perpetrator(s) known? Yes

Were the alleged perpetrators State agents or believed to be State agents? Don't know

Name: Don't know

Type: Group

**Description of the group/community (including, if relevant, number of members; number of women, men, girls and boys; indicate the group/community leader(s); other facts):**

They initially presented themselves as members of the Italian DIA, and later as prison officials.

**Describe the activities of the group/community, civil society or other entity:**

Institutional forces of anti-terrorism and prisons system

**Ethnic, religious, social or other background of the group/community members: ///**

**Additional information**

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This replaces the previous one I made today, 5bkw9pkk

Thanks  
Good work  
Freedom for peoples

Dorigo Paolo