

**The Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights and
the International Commission of Jurists**

cordially invite you to a parallel event to the 21st Regular Session of the Human Rights Council

***High-level Discussion on Ensuring Human Dignity
During Detention***

**Tuesday 25 September 2012, 2pm – 4pm
Meeting Room XXI
Palais des Nations, Geneva**

This parallel event will discuss the need and options for an international instrument clarifying and enhancing the human rights legal framework applicable to persons in detention. The meeting will take the format of a moderated panel discussion, with one hour of interventions by expert panellists, and one hour of interactive debate with all participants.

The Moderator

Hina Jilani

Member of the Panel on Human Dignity, Advocate of the Supreme Court of Pakistan

The Speakers

Professor Manfred Nowak

*Member of the Panel on Human Dignity, former UN Special Rapporteur on torture, and former member of the Working Group on Enforced Disappearances
“Experiences as a Special Procedure mandate-holder”*

Judge Theodor Meron

Member of the Panel on Human Dignity, Judge on the Appeals Chambers of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY), former President of the ICTY, and Honorary President of the American Society of International Law

“Human dignity challenges under administrative and criminal detention”

Professor Shaheen Sardar Ali

Vice-Chair of the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention. Professor of Law at the University of Warwick

“The need to ensure human dignity in detention, combined with and supplementary to the mandate of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention”

Mr Ian Seiderman

*Director of Law and Policy, International Commission of Jurists
“Alternative mechanisms for ensuring human dignity”*

Coffee and light refreshments will be provided

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