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No, no, they insist. It's not because these photos (and video?) are even worse than the last ones or that it reminds everyone again of how awful and debasing and unAmerican our actions were. It's not because it will remind everyone of how no one in the upper ranks was held responsible for the widespread and despicable mistreatment of prisoners that lowered our image in the world to little better than a tinpot dictator. It's not because the Pentagon is ashamed of the photos.

It's because the Pentagon is worried things might get violent in Iraq and Afghanistan if the photos are released. What the hell do they think is happening right now?

No one higher-up has been held responsible in the military. Bush made clear he approved heartily: why else shower honors on almost everyone in charge when it happened and why else punish no one of any significance?

The sooner these images are released, the sooner we can start truly condemning those humiliating practices, start holding top military officials responsible and start upholding the highest ideals of America instead of the lowest methods of dictators like Hussein





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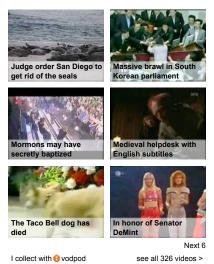
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