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Today's Headlines and Commentary

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Interpol has arrested 25 suspected members of Anonymous, [reports](#) the *AP*.

Evan Perez and Julian E. Barnes at the *Wall Street Journal* (caution: paywall) [report](#) on the DOJ's release of the Policy Directive and Fact Sheet, as do Sari Horwitz and Peter Finn at the *Washington Post* and Jeremy Herb at [Defcon Hill](#). You can read Ben's download on the subject [here](#).

Jane Sutton at *Reuters* [says](#) that Khan is "likely to serve far less" than the 25-40 year sentence. Whether or not that is not the case depends on whether up-to-19 years can reasonably be considered "far less" than 25—and whether Khan ends up cooperating fully (and thus serves up-to-19 more years) or not (and thus serves as-many-as 25 more years). Ben's account of the sentencing math is [here](#).

Looks like Mohammed Ibrahim Makkawi, wanted in connection with the 1998 U.S. embassy bombings in Tanzania and Kenya, was arrested in Cairo today. [NPR](#) and the *AP* report.

Winslow Wheeler is hard at work at *Time's* Battleland blog [discussing](#) the MQ-9 Reaper, a new drone.

Doug Bandow of Cato has this [piece](#) on the constitutionality of targeted killing.

The *AP* [confirms](#) that a new recreation yard is almost complete at Guantanamo; it reportedly cost \$744,000. Also on the story [is](#) Carol Rosenberg at the *Miami Herald* and [Peter Finn](#) at the *Post*.

The *San Francisco Chronicle* [reports](#) on Senator Feinstein's Due Process Guarantee Act, the subject of a [hearing](#) today in the Senate Judiciary Committee (at which our own Steve Vladeck is testifying). Meanwhile, Rep. Chris Gibson has [introduced a bill](#) to amend the NDAA as well, adding to both §1021 and §1022 the following:

Preservation of Constitutional Rights- Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the writ of habeas corpus shall remain available to any individual detained within the United States and no American citizen or lawful resident may be detained without all the rights of due process to include, but not limited to–

- (1) the right to a speedy and public trial by an impartial jury;
- (2) the right to be informed of the nature of the accusation;
- (3) the right to be confronted with the witnesses against them;
- (4) the right to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in their favor
- (5) the right to have the assistance of legal counsel; and
- (6) all other rights afforded to them by the Constitution of the United States.

Brendan Sasso sums up yesterday’s House Energy and Commerce subcommittee hearing on smart grid projects at *The Hill*.

Jose Pimental, who has been charged in connection with a plot to use a pipe bomb in New York City, is expected to be indicted this week in New York, reports the *Albany Times Union*.

The *International Herald Tribune* discusses the extradition and impending trial of Christopher Tappin, a retired British businessman accused of planning to sell batteries for Hawk missiles to Iran.

The *Wall Street Journal’s* Market Watch shares a defense tech company’s press release outlining its plan to develop a “Seek and Avoid System” for its nextgen drones.

Julia Angwin at the *Journal* notes the remarks of Andrew Weissmann, General Counsel for the FBI, on the “sea change” in the use of GPS tracking devices since the Supreme Court ruling in *U.S. v. Jones*.

The *Washington Post* editorializes on U.S. strategy in Afghanistan in the wake of protests over the U.S. military’s burning of Korans. There are three investigations into the incident, one American, one Afghan, and a joint inquiry write Alissa Rubin and Graham Bowley in the *Times*.

The remains of some 9/11 victims were disposed of in a landfill, according to a report released to the Pentagon yesterday. There are no words.