Questionnaire
National Parliaments' activities on alleged CIA activities in European countries

COUNTRY: The Netherlands
CHAMBER: The House of Representatives of the States General

1. Was there a special committee formed in your chamber, similar to the one of the EP's Temporary Committee on the alleged use of European countries by the CIA for the transport and illegal detention of prisoners - TDIP?

   Yes: [ ]   No: [x]

2. Does any other permanent committee of your chamber deal with the matters?

   Yes: [x]   No: [ ]

   If yes;

   Name: The committee on Foreign Affairs is primarily competent; the committees on Defence, Justice and Transport are also involved

   What is its mandate regarding these allegations:
   The committee on Foreign Affairs is generally competent on the matter

   MPs involved:

   Outcome and work programme of the permanent committee:
   16 March 2006: Plenary debate
   24 February 2006: questionnaire with 36 questions by the committee on Foreign Affairs to the Minister of Foreign Affairs
   21 February 2006: letter of the Minister of Foreign Affairs to the committee on Foreign Affairs on the subject
   The subject was also raised during the debate on the budget of the Ministry on Foreign Affairs (6 and 8 December 2006)
   Furthermore various questions were asked by MP's:

3. Which permanent committee in your Chamber supervises intelligence services of your country?

   Name: Committee on the intelligence- and safety services

   What is its mandate:
   The committee works confidentially and is entitled to be informed by the government on the activities of the General Intelligence and Security Service (AIVD)

   MPs involved:
   Faction-leaders of the political parties in parliament

   Outcome and work programme in the area of these allegations:
   outcome/deliberations/debates/briefings are secret

4. Has your Chamber been involved in another activities relating to these allegations (debate, report, etc.)?

   See answer under 2