

## CIRCUMCISION DOES NOT PREVENT HIV/AIDS

**PRESCOTT, J.W. (2011). 15 July. Letter to Dr. Margaret Chan, Director-General, World Health Organization (WHO), which opposed circumcision as a solution to HIV/AIDS on the occasion of the annual meeting of the *International Aids Society* in Rome, Italy July 17-20, 2011 on *HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention*. Dr, Chan was reminded that that **the genital mutilation of children is an act of torture that is prohibited by American Federal Law against females but not males (PL 104-208) <http://mgmbill.org/usfgmlaw.htm>. This federal crime against female children is also a federal crime against male children by virtue of the "equal protection clause" of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.****

Letters to Dr. Zerhouni of 22 January 2007, former Director, NIH; and to Attorney General Eric Holder (8.27.09) makes clear the foundation for this violation of federal law and the futility of circumcision, a surgical procedure upon normal genital tissue, as a corrective to HIV/AIDS. [http://www.violence.de/prescott/letters/Lt\\_Zerhouni\\_NIH-BBS-1.22.07.html](http://www.violence.de/prescott/letters/Lt_Zerhouni_NIH-BBS-1.22.07.html)  
<http://www.violence.de/prescott/letters/LtHolder809.pdf>  
<http://www.violence.de/politics.shtml#GMChildren>  
[http://ttfuture.org/files/2/pdf/GM-R\\_Children\\_Resolution.pdf](http://ttfuture.org/files/2/pdf/GM-R_Children_Resolution.pdf)

This foundation is further supported by Judge Flaherty's OPINION that:

**."Forceable extraction of living body tissue causes revulsion to the judicial mind. Such would raise the spectre of the swastika and the Inquisition, reminiscent of the horrors this portends... An Order will be entered denying the request for a preliminary injunction". Judge J. Flaherty (1978). In The Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. Civil Division. McFall v Shimp.**  
[http://www.violence.de/prescott/letters/McFall\\_v\\_Shimp.pdf](http://www.violence.de/prescott/letters/McFall_v_Shimp.pdf)

Perinatal and postnatal circumcision (forceable extraction of living tissue) from healthy newborns that benefits others not only "causes revulsion to the judicial mind" but also to the moral mind.

These documents and others, which document the failure of this Conference and refusal of the Genital Integrity Community to confront genital mutilation as an act of torture and to pursue the ethical/moral issues involved and the letter to Dr. Chan can be seen **HERE**.

**The Ashley Montagu Campaign Against the Torture  
and Mutilation of Children**

**<http://MontaguNoCircPetition.org>**

Presents The Following SIGNATURES Collected at

*The 11th International Symposium on Circumcision, Genital Integrity, and Human Rights,  
Berkeley CA 29-31 July 2010*

*In support of the following Resolution:*

Circumcision tortures its victims. Whether, with intent or in ignorance, the **Genital Mutilation of Children Is An Act of Torture, as the stripping of skin from the body is universally recognized as an act of torture.** This is particularly true for the infant/child where the glans and foreskin are fused as a single biological unit that protects the glans. Many infants do not scream because they are in shock and cannot scream.

**Circumcision = Genital Mutilation = Torture**

[View memorial as a separate page](http://www.montagunocircpetition.org/documents/van-lewis-memorial.doc)

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The General Assembly of the United Nations on December 10, 1948 adopted and proclaimed the **UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS**; specifically;

**Article 5** of said Declaration affirms that: "**NO ONE SHALL BE SUBJECTED TO TORTURE OR TO CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT**;" and

**U.N. CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD (November 20 1989)**

• **ARTICLE 37. TORTURE, CAPITAL PUNISHMENT AND DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY:**

*States Parties shall ensure that:(*

**a) No child shall be subjected to torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.** *Neither capital punishment nor life imprisonment without possibility of release shall be imposed for offenses committed by persons below 18 years of age.*

**(b) No child shall be deprived of his or her liberty unlawfully or arbitrarily...**

*(c) Every child deprived of liberty shall be treated with humanity and respect for the inherent dignity of the human person, and in a manner, which takes into account the needs of persons of their age...*

*(d) Every child deprived of his or her liberty shall have the right to prompt access to legal and other appropriate assistance, as well as the right to challenge the legality of the deprivation of his or her liberty before a court or other competent, independent and impartial authority and to a prompt decision on any such action*

Georganne Chapin, MPhil, JD, Executive Director, Intact America has formally rejected this historical record that the genital mutilation of children is torture when she stated:

**"INTACT AMERICA** does not support this proposal that the Genital Mutilation of Children Is Torture. Georganne Chapin, Executive Director, *Intact America*, states: **"I do not feel at liberty to represent this organization as subscribing to the description of circumcision as torture."** **"I cannot lend *Intact America's* support to this resolution – either explicitly or indirectly.**

The above disclaimer by *Intact America* was removed from the Resolution submitted for signatures to be forwarded to Senator Leahy, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee dated 25 August 2010 by this writer at the request of Van Lewis to facilitate his signature collection, as this Resolution did not receive the support of the Organizations that sponsored *The 11th International Symposium on Circumcision, Genital Integrity, and Human Rights, Berkeley CA 29-31 July 201, including NOCIRC and Attorneys for the Rights of the Child (ARC)* although the principal officers of these organization signed the petition as individuals, namely Marilyn F. Milos, R.N. and J.Steven Svoboda.

*Intact America's* presentation at the *International AIDS Society* in Rome, Italy and OPEN Letter to Dr Margaret Chan, Director General WHO, which did not contain any references to genital mutilation of children as torture; the Resolution with signatures collected at *The 11th International Symposium on Circumcision, Genital Integrity, and Human Rights, Berkeley CA 29-31 July 201* with the letter to Senator Leahy, Chairman. Senate Judiciary Committee dated 25 August 2010 confirms the continuing opposition to the long history of the *Ashley Montagu Resolution To End The Genital Mutilation of Children Worldwide* begun in 1989 that cited its opposition to genital mutilation of children based upon violation of the *United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights* and the *United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child*.  
[http://org2.democracyinaction.org/o/5922/p/dia/action/public/?action\\_KEY=7532](http://org2.democracyinaction.org/o/5922/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=7532)

The lack of acknowledgment of Van Lewis and my efforts through the Ashley Montagu Resolution on declaring the genital mutilation of children as torture and the violation of International Law on the various websites of the Genital Integrity Community reflects the continuing failure to bring an end to the genital mutilation of children worldwide. The voices of Francis H. Crick, Jonas Salk, Ashley Montagu and many others have been silenced by ignoring their protests and the violation of International Law.

<http://montagunocircpetition.org/>

<http://www.nocirc.org/symposia/fourth/endorse1.pdf>

Crick

<http://www.nocirc.org/symposia/fourth/endorse2.pdf>

Salk

**It is time for the *Genital Integrity Community* to take a strong defense of the Ashley Montagu Resolution and to reject *Intact America's* and Geoganne Chapin's position that rejects circumcision as torture.**

### **Judge Giorgi removes SF MGM Bill from San Francisco ballot [updated with video]**

Judge Loretta Giorgi of the Superior Court in San Francisco ruled against the [SFMGMBill.org](http://SFMGMBill.org) ballot initiative as was expected from her tentative ruling the day before. In addition, she ruled that the [Doctors Opposing Circumcision](http://DoctorsOpposingCircumcision.org) Amicus Curiae brief was untimely and therefore would not be considered.

Outside, a protest was organized by Jonathon Conte and other [Bay Area Intactivists](http://BayAreaIntactivists.org) to show support for Lloyd Schofield, the proponent of the measure. Two filmmakers and a host of media people were there to document the event.

Above: *Lloyd Schofield speaks to the press after the hearing.*

The text of the judge's tentative ruling, which becomes final barring a Notice of Appeal is below.

**Case Number: CPF11511370**

Case Title: JEWISH COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL OF SAN et al VS. JOHN ARNTZ, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS DIRECTOR et al

Court Date: Jul-28-2011 09:30 AM

Calendar Matter: Notice Of Motion And Motion To Grant Writ Of Mandate And Injunctive Relief; Compilation

*Rulings: Set for hearing on Thursday, July 28, 2011, line 8, PETITIONERS JEWISH COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL OF SAN FRANCISCO, THE PENINSULA, MARIN, SONOMA, ALAMEDA AND CONTRA COSTA COUNTIES, THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, JEREMY BENJAMIN, JENNY BENJAMIN, LEO FUCHS, JONATHAN JAFFE, Yael FRENKEL-JAFFE, SHEILA BARI, LETICIA PREZA, KASHIF ABDULLAH, BRIAN MCBETH, ERIC TABAS, Motion To Grant Writ Of Mandate And Injunctive Relief. **The Court finds that the proposed ballot initiative is expressly preempted by California Business and Professions §460(b). The evidence presented is overwhelmingly persuasive that circumcision is a widely practiced medical procedure. California Business and Professions Code §460 (b) applies to medical services provided by a wide range of health care professionals.** The statute speaks directly to the issue of local regulation of medical procedures and leaves no room for localities to regulate in this area. In fact, the legislative history of §460(b) confirms that the legislature intended to prevent cities and counties from regulating medical services which is a matter statewide concern. Because the proposed ballot initiative attempts to regulate a medical procedure, the proposed ordinance is expressly preempted. Moreover, it serves no legitimate purpose to allow a measure whose invalidity can be determined as a matter of law to remain on the ballot after such a ruling has been made. *City of San Diego v. Dunkl*, (2001) 86 Cal.App.4th 384, 389 Accordingly, the Court issues a Writ of Mandate Ordering the Director of Elections for the City and County of San Francisco to remove the measure from the ballot in its entirety. **The applications to file a brief as amicus curiae, to file a brief in excess of the maximum number of pages, and for pro hac vice admission by the Doctors Opposing Circumcision are denied. These motions were filed two days before hearing and courtesy copies were not provided until the day before hearing, which is extremely untimely.** <http://www.circumcisionandhiv.com/>*

It is transparent that circumcision arguments based upon the **California Business and Professions Code —§460 (b)** which regulate medical services is an inappropriate argument where the issues to be addressed are the violation of Human Rights; International Law and the selective application of the law under the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

### **Call For Action**

Unfortunately, **Doctors Opposing Circumcisions Amicus Curiae brief** was not posted on its website to determine whether Human Rights violations and that of International Law were addressed. It is well known that International Treaties trumps the U.S. Constitution (Article 6).

My many efforts to have these issues front and center in the legal briefs filed were ignored. We will continue to fail until the violations of Constitutional Law and the provisions of International Law are faced.

***The Genital Integrity Community is called upon to affirm that Genital Mutilation of Children is Torture and to place violation of Human Rights, Constitutional and International Law as our First Priority.***

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## BIOHAVIORAL SYSTEMS

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15 July 2011

Dr. Margaret Chan  
Director-General  
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Dear Dr. Chan,

Please find enclosed letters of 23 January 2007 to Dr. Zerhouni, Director, National Institutes of Health; and letter of 27 August 2009 to Attorney General Eric Holder, U.S. Department of Justice that conveys strong moral, scientific, medical, Constitutional and International Law objections to imposing genital mutilation (circumcision), a religious-cultural custom, as a preventive action against AIDS.

The issue of lack of control of personal genital hygiene is a fatal flaw of all circumcision studies detailed in my letter to Dr. Zerhouni. The example of Ignaz Philipp Semmelweis (1848) in the failure of physicians to wash their hands to prevent women dying in childbirth is a lesson forgotten in modern medicine.

Genital mutilation (circumcision) is a well-documented instrument for enforcing archaic and wrongful religious beliefs concerning sexual expression, particularly of women. This history is detailed at [http://ttfuture.org/files/2/pdf/GM-R\\_Children\\_Resolution.pdf](http://ttfuture.org/files/2/pdf/GM-R_Children_Resolution.pdf)  
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The failure to develop an effective Medwipes that neutralizes the AIDS virus to be used daily is inexcusable. What amount and percentage of AIDS monies is committed to the development of such a prophylactic measure?

My letter to Attorney General Eric Holder details the violation of Constitutional and International Law in upholding compulsory genital mutilation (torture) is detailed on my website. <http://montagunocircpetition.org>

The time has come Dr. Chan to restore sanity to medical science and humanity and I urge you to take a strong defense of human integrity and humanity by banning all circumcisions (male and female) that is not medically necessary. The forceable removal of healthy genital tissue is a crime against humanity.

[http://www.violence.de/prescott/letters/McFall\\_v\\_Shimp.pdf](http://www.violence.de/prescott/letters/McFall_v_Shimp.pdf) (enclosed)

Please find enclosed two copies of my DVD: *The Origins of Love & Violence: Sensory Deprivation and the Developing Brain* that was co-produced with Touch the Future.

Sincerely,

James W. Prescott, Ph.D.  
Director