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>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
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>Does Mr. Mortellaro expect us to take this statement at face
>value, or is it a joke? "Corporal punishment and a cruel
>death" for accidental leaking of information?

>Jim, can you cite one single documented instance in which
>punishments such as this have >been authorized or applied in the
>United States of America?

I certainly do not claim to be an expert, or even overly knowledgeable about the government or the military's actual policy of punishment for misuse of information. But one example which I have personally witnessed is the simple fact that the warning signs at the military border of Area 51 clearly state "Use of deadly force authorized." I understand that trespassing on govt. property, and revealing classified information are two different things, but surely they both stem from a desire for secrecy?

The simple fact that there is a sign which declares the right to use deadly force should be evidence enough for the military's position regarding the protection of their own privacy. As far as I know, although it is authorized, deadly force has never been used or even attempted along the border of America's most popular secret base.

But surely, that is a distinction which is worth considering- the authorization of such force versus the actual use of said force.

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