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Khaled el-Masri, a German national who lives in the village of Senden, in southern Germany, was abducted on a trip to Macedonia in December 2003. He was detained and interrogated, then handed to US officials and secretly flown to Afghanistan where he was held in a US-run prison for five months. In May 2004, Khaled el-Masri was freed - dumped by the side of a road in Albania. He has never been charged with a crime or brought before a court. **Outlawed** includes compelling testimony from Khaled el-Masri.

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