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virtually never happen in the real world. Rosler's tape unpacks the arguments and questions about torture and demonstrates that history repeats itself as deadly farce; the issues of fear and ends justifying means have returned in recent years like terrible boomerangs. As we researched the subject of human rights we saw arguments for torture virtually identical to Levin's being made almost daily in the mainstream media.(From the foreword of the book)"-- Publisher's Web site Participating artists and students: Ian Arenas - Hayley Blatte - Nancy Buchanan - Audrey Chan - Sam Durant - Donna Golden - Steven J Golliday - Nicholas Grider - Jomo Jelani Haywood - Joanna Ingco - James McCardell - Elana Mann - Morvarid Moini-Yekta - Tomas Moreno - Chris Revelle - Martha Rosler - Amanda Vigil - Carlin Wing - Chie Yamayoshi "First edition limited to 250 numbered copies"--Colophon Title from PDF page 1

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