

BANANA REPUBLIC

Adventures in Amnesia,
the small backward Third World nation
with hearts of silver and mines of gold

"'SERIOUS' PAIN, UNDERSTOOD AS 'EXTREME' PAIN, IS AUTHORIZED; BUT SHOULD THE EXTREME PAIN BECOME 'SEVERE' PAIN, UNDERSTOOD AS 'ACUTE' PAIN, SUCH PAIN IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE 'TORTURE,' AND EVERYONE KNOWS WE DO NOT 'TORTURE'..."

... DIDJA HEAR THAT, DIEGO? CAN YOU GIMME A HOLLER IF YOUR BEATINGS EVER GET "SEVERE"?"



WHILE HIS "PERSONAL DISCIPLINE ASSURANCE SPECIALIST" STRUGGLES WITH THE NEW RULES, DIEGO LIGHTENS THE MOOD FOR HIS FELLOW DETAINEES:



YOU AIN'T IN NO SEVERE PAIN RIGHT NOW, ARE YOU?

OF COURSE NOT. THAT WOULD BE TORTURE.

OH, HA HA! YEAH...

JORGE... IF I RESPECTED YOUR HUMANITY, WOULD YOU RESPECT MINE?

GEEZ, I'D LIKE TO, DIEGO, BUT I GOT A FAMILY TO SUPPORT.

... TRY NOT TO HATE ME, OK?



OF COURSE. YOU'RE JUST TRYING TO BE A GOOD GERMAN, LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE.

THANKS FOR UNDERSTANDING!

DIEGO! DO YOUR EYE THING AGAIN!