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The use of torture, at least under some conditions, has gained some prominent defenders. This title brings together lawyers, political theorists, social scientists and others to debate the advisability of maintaining its absolute ban and to reflect on what it says about our societies if we do--or do not--adhere to it in all circumstances.
