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At the International Corrections and Prison Associations 6th Annual Conference in Beijing, China, Marc Mauer addressed the experience of what has been termed the get tough movement in the United States, a change in policy over the past thirty years that has resulted in an unprecedented rise in the prison population in our country.

To read his remarks, download the PDF below.

Black men born in 2001 can expect to go to prison in their lifetime

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