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New Lockup Added at Quentin For 'Militants'

San Quentin Prison returned to "nearly normal" operation yesterday, but a new lockup section for 80 inmates has been added, a prison spokesman reported.

The new section in the South Block is "to control militants until we can take a look at them," the spokesman said.

The inmates were sent there as a result of militant George Jackson's alleged escape attempt on August 21. Since then, the spokesman said, the prison has been looking for "a means for better control of the general population."

There are 2491 inmates at the prison.
