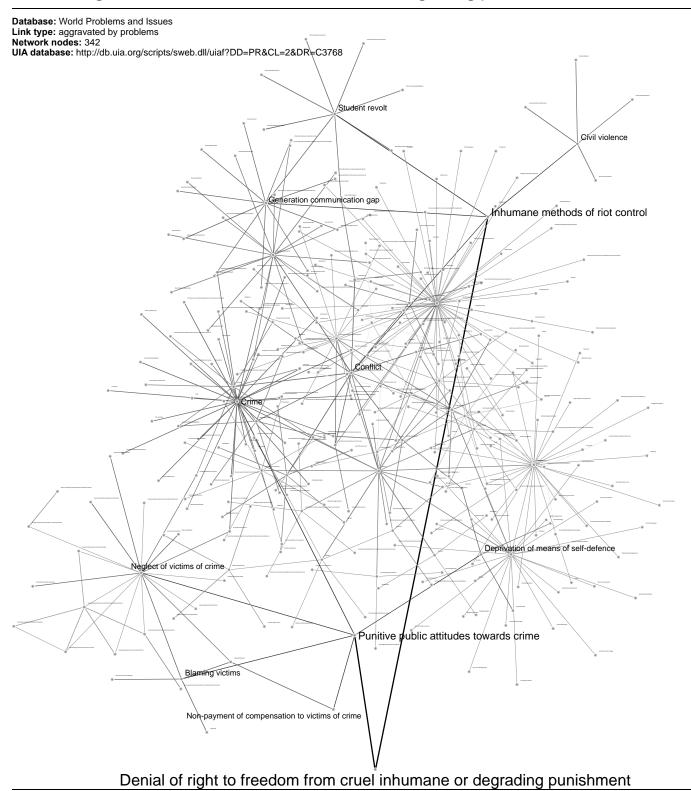
Figure 10.2.20.

Denial of right to freedom from cruel, inhumane or degrading punishment



Article 5 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights states: "No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment". Article 7 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights asserts: "No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment". In particular, no one shall be subjected without his free consent to medical or scientific experimentation. In spite of these and national laws with similar guarantees, men, women and children are tortured, imprisoned, murdered and humiliated at the whim of officials in the majority of nations across the world.