Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

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In the end that's probably because it's a tradition, things were different in the past, and "life in jail" meant exactly that.

We have a similar thing here in Finland too, a lifetime usually means some 10-15 years, after which the president usually uses his/her power to "absolve" the convict.