

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

FADI AL MAQALEH,

Petitioner,

v.

DONALD RUMSFELD, et al.,

Respondents.

Civil Action No. 06-1669 (JDB)

ORDER

The Court is in receipt of petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus. The docket does not reflect that petitioner has served, or otherwise provided respondents with notice of, this petition. Because it does not plainly appear from the petition that petitioner is not entitled to habeas corpus relief, see 28 U.S.C. § 2243; Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts, it is hereby

ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall, in accordance with Rules 1(b) and 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts, forthwith serve a copy of the petition for a writ of habeas corpus and this order on respondent; and it is further

ORDERED that respondents shall file an answer, motion, or other response by not later than February 12, 2007.

SO ORDERED.

/s/

JOHN D. BATES
United States District Judge

Date: January 12, 2007

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