Mansoor Muhammed Ali Qattaa

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Mansoor Muhammed Ali Qattaa is a citizen of Saudi Arabia, held in extrajudicial detention in the United States Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, in Cuba.^[1] Qattaa's Guantanamo detainee ID number is 566. American intelligence analysts estimate he was born in 1982, in Ta'if, Saudi Arabia.^[2]

Combatant Status Review Tribunal

Initially the Bush administration asserted that they could withhold all the protections of the Geneva Conventions to captives from the war on terror. This policy was challenged before the Judicial branch. Critics argued that the USA could not evade its obligation to conduct a competent tribunals to determine whether captives are, or are not, entitled to the protections of prisoner of war status.

Subsequently the Department of Defense instituted the Combatant Status Review Tribunals. The Tribunals, however, were not authorized to determine whether the captives were *lawful combatants* -- rather they were merely empowered to make a recommendation as to whether the captive had previously been correctly determined to match the Bush administration's definition of an enemy combatant.

Qattaa chose not to participate in his Combatant Status Review Tribunal.

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