

(U) Saddam Husayn

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(April 28, 1937 - December 30, 2006)

Born in Tikrit of the al Begat tribe, a subtribe of the albu Nasir tribe. Former President of Iraq

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Execution

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On December 30, 2006 **Saddam Husayn** (also transliterated as Saddam Hussein) was hanged on the first day of Eid ul-Adha at aprox. 0610 local time. The execution was carried out at "Camp Justice", an Iraqi army base in Kazimain (NE Baghdad).

Latest Reporting

- 27 February 2006 - Stopped his hunger strike which had lasted for eleven days due to health reasons.

(U) On 01 March 2006, Saddam Husayn admitted he ordered the trial of the 148 Shiites who plotted to assassinate him in 1982.

(U) Saddam did not specifically admit guilt, but assumed full responsibility for the executive decision as the President of Iraq.

(U) Saddam was adamant that his actions did not constitute a crime because the victims were dealt with by a revolutionary court.

(U) Keys to the prosecutions case were proving that the crimes had occurred and the defendants' affirmation that their actions were justified.

(U) With the trial set to resume on 12 March 2006, it is likely the prosecution will rest having proven the most difficult part of its case.

(U) The defense has given no indication of returning to the courtroom after their boycott and is unlikely to present a valid counter following recent testimony.

(U) See Also

- Trial of Saddam Hussein
- Execution of Saddam Hussein

Preceded by:
Ahmed Hassan al-Bakr

President of Iraq
July 1979 – April 2003

Succeeded by:
Mohammed Bahr al-Uloum

Sources

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