

Free Fahd Ghazy, Yemeni Man Cleared in 2007 Trapped at Guantánamo for 11 Years and Counting



Age:	Born on May 2, 1984
Place of Birth:	Beyt Ghazy, Yemen
Family:	Father to his daughter Hafsa and husband to Faiza
Education:	Al Najah Secondary School; First in graduating class; Received a university scholarship
Languages:	Arabic, English
Personal interests:	Studying to prepare for higher education upon release; Writing letters to his daughter Hafsa, Reading books and articles in Arabic and English
Status:	Detained in January 2002 as a juvenile, age 17; Held without charge; Cleared by President Bush in 2007.

"All I hope for upon release is to meet my wife and daughter, my mother and brothers, and to live an independent life with them. To complete my studies and get a decent job." – *Fahd Ghazy, September 30, 2005*

"Throughout the detention of ... Fahd Ghazy, the United States has flouted international juvenile justice standards that acknowledge children's unique vulnerability, lower degree of culpability, and capacity for rehabilitation." – *Letter by Jo Becker and Joanne Mariner of Human Rights Watch to Attorney General Eric Holder March 25, 2009*

What you can do for Fahd Ghazy

1. CONTACT the White House and demand that President Obama:

- Transfer Fahd Ghazy and all other men unjustly detained at Guantánamo. Tell President Obama that he must meet his unfulfilled promise to close Guantánamo by releasing all the men he does not intend to try in a fair court. If he does not, his legacy will be marred forever.
- Lift his blanket ban on the release of Yemenis and immediately resume transfers of all Guantánamo prisoners his administration does not intend to give fair trials. Almost 90 of the 166 men who remain at Guantánamo are from Yemen, and none of them will be released unless the President lifts his self-imposed moratorium on repatriations to Yemen. Remind President Obama that detention based on citizenship is collective punishment, is wrong, and that it must end.

ADDRESS: The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20500. Comments: 202-456-1111

2. CONTACT Secretary of Defense Charles Hagel and demand that he certify Fahd Ghazy for transfer out of Guantánamo.

Under the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA 2013), Fahd Ghazy cannot be released from Guantánamo and reunited with his family unless Secretary Hagel certifies him for transfer or issues a national security waiver under the NDAA. Tell Secretary Hagel to free Fahd, who was detained as a juvenile and cleared for release in 2007. Also tell Hagel to resume the transfers of all the men the Obama administration does not intend to charge. After 11 years, it is time to finally shutter the internment camp at Guantánamo.

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