

Extraordinary Rendition

2005. Acrylic on canvas, 30 x 48"

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In the early hours before dawn this morning, former President of the United States, George W. Bush, arrived in police custody at the International Criminal Court.

The former American President was transferred over to international authorities by the United States at zero hours GMT. The former President will face trial before an international tribunal for aggression, war crimes, and crimes against humanity.

The international tribunal issued a statement saying, "The court will allow the victims of aggression to tell their story. Those who commit acts of aggression and crimes against humanity will be brought to justice."

After a year long negotiation with the Congress of the United States, the United Nations, and the current American administration, George W. Bush was turned over to the International Criminal Court. A high ranking member of Congress, asking not to be identified for this report, said the two years of economic sanctions on the United States had to come to an end. She said, "We need to get reacquainted with our international neighbors and get our people working again. We hope this will eventually begin to heal the serious wounds that have been inflicted on our country by corrupt and unworthy people. The international court has him now and we are confident in their indictment. It's time for us to move on with our lives and get this country back on its feet."

Members of the former President's right-wing Republican Party denounced the handover to international authorities as unconstitutional. The current administration was accused of treason by the right-wing Republicans, many of whom were concerned about their own future and possible indictments in connection with voting fraud and international money laundering schemes.

George W. Bush, the 43rd President of the United States, is the son of the late George H.W. Bush who at one time held the same position. The son, George W., a poorly informed novice to international affairs, was obsessed with toppling Iraq's President Saddam Hussein, and it appears from the evidence, was planning to wage a campaign of aggression against Iraq even before the events of September 11, 2001.

To carry out his plan for regime change in Iraq, the American President surrounded himself with like-minded officials, and methodically planned the war.

George W. Bush began his presidency telling the world that the US would not be a signatory to the International Criminal Court. He further announced that his foreign policy objectives would be based solely on what was in the best interests of the United States. The tragic events of September 11, 2001 provided the perfect opportunity to exploit a tragedy and attempt to connect those events to Saddam Hussein's Iraq. However, having allied itself with Britain, a signatory to the International Criminal Court, the United States by default subjected itself to the International Criminal Court. The

United States was, and is, a signatory to the United Nations and the Geneva Conventions.

After creating a multitude of reasons for attacking Iraq, the Bush Administration settled on the excuse of weapons of mass destruction. They then orchestrated a campaign of disinformation within the United States with the assistance of members of the press, the American Enterprise Institute and the Defense Policy Board, an organization of aging, nationalistic white men who promoted aggression as an instrument of foreign policy.

To establish international support for the war, George W. Bush and his administration fabricated evidence, including photographs and sound recordings. The false evidence was presented to the United Nations Security Council by former Secretary of State Colin Powell with assistance from George Tenet, John Negroponte, and Richard Armitage.

After launching a war that killed thousands of Iraqis and Americans, George W. Bush, as President, awarded a medal of high honors to the commanding general of the invasion, Tommy Franks. He also awarded the same medal to the former American spymaster George Tenet and former occupation viceroy L. Paul Bremer. Negotiations for their arrest are currently underway between the international court and United States federal law enforcement authorities.

Former British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, is believed to be negotiating a deal with international authorities to gain a lesser indictment, and possibly provide evidence against the former American president at the tribunal. The pressure is even greater on Blair because British authorities have agreed to his immediate extradition, and have twenty-four hour police surveillance outside his residence.

The International Criminal Court's indictment includes Counts for the Crime of Aggression and reads in part:

George W. Bush, Richard Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, Colin Powell, Paul Wolfowitz, Condoleezza Rice, General Richard Myers, and General Tommy Franks used force against the territorial integrity and political independence of the state of Iraq.

George W. Bush, Richard Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, Colin Powell, Paul Wolfowitz, Condoleezza Rice, General Richard Myers, and General Tommy Franks formulated and executed a common plan and conspiracy to wage a war of aggression and war in violation of international law.

George W. Bush, Richard Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, Colin Powell, Paul Wolfowitz, Condoleezza Rice, General Richard Myers, and General Tommy Franks waged an unprovoked war against Iraq.

Counts for Crimes Against Humanity Violations of the Laws or Customs of War, reads in part:

George W. Bush, Richard Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, Colin Powell, Paul Wolfowitz, Condoleezza Rice, General Richard Myers, and General Tommy Franks, planned,

instigated, ordered and/or aided and abetted in a campaign of terror and violence directed toward Iraqi civilians.

A campaign of terror and violence was directed toward the Iraqi people by forces of the United States military, with the support and encouragement of George W. Bush, Richard Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, Colin Powell, Paul Wolfowitz, Condoleezza Rice, General Richard Myers and General Tommy Franks.

Forces of the United States military systematically and forcibly, within the international borders of Iraq, internally displaced thousands of Iraqis from their homes across entire regions of Iraq. To carry out these expulsions, forces of the United States military created an atmosphere of fear and oppression by use of force, violence, and threats of force.

Forces of the United States military used a systematic campaign of destruction of property owned by Iraqi civilians, through widespread shelling, bombing, and use of combat ground forces. As a result, entire villages and towns have been made uninhabitable.

Forces of the United States military harassed, humiliated, and degraded Iraqi civilians through verbal and physical abuse. Soldiers, military officers, and American paid mercenaries subjected Iraqis to insults, racial slurs, degrading acts, beatings, and multiple forms of physical abuse based on political, religious, and racial identification.

The international tribunal also announced that indictments and arrest warrants have been agreed to by the government of the United States, and will be issued for the following individuals:

Richard Cheney
Donald Rumsfeld
Paul Wolfowitz
Colin Powell
Condoleezza Rice
Richard Myers
Tommy Franks
George Tenet
John Negroponte
Richard Armitage
L. Paul Bremer
John Abizade
Ricardo Sanchez
Geoffrey Miller