

US Military committed War Crimes in Fallujah

Open Letter to the International Criminal Court of Justice

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To the Most Honourable Judge Luis Moreno-Ocampo,

I am writing your honour to ask that the International Criminal Court of Justice investigate allegations that military forces committed war crimes in [Fallujah, Iraq](#) in the year 2004. The crimes which allegedly occurred are numerous and disturbing to any sane, decent, and moral human being. There have been numerous reports that American military forces used chemical weapons during the assault on Fallujah (namely, white phosphorus). It also appears that the American military killed large numbers of unarmed civilians (including many infants and children). There have also been allegations that American military forces denied or delayed medical care to residents of the town of [Fallujah](#). In addition, you may be aware that video footage exists of an American soldier shooting a wounded, unarmed Iraqi man in the town of [Fallujah](#). There is also video and audio of a helicopter pilot being given the order to "take out" a large number of unarmed people running down [Fallujah](#). And, surely, the destruction of so many homes, businesses, and mosques was an unnecessary and complete "overkill", and constitutes a war crime. It left very large numbers of civilians homeless, lost their livelihood and forced to face the painful reality that their places of worship lie in ruins. The links which follow are but a few of the sources and foundations for these allegations. I implore your honour, in the name of due justice, to open an investigation into this matter and bring to justice any, and all, individuals who are responsible for committing war crimes and crimes against humanity.

1) In Dahr Jamail's website, "MidEast Dispatches" <http://dahrjamailiraq.com/>, he provides a gallery of photographs that he himself took in [Fallujah](#). The gallery can be found at <http://dahrjamailiraq.com/gallery/album28?page=1>

2) The Centre for Research on Globalisation website www.globalresearch.ca contains video of an Apache helicopter killing unarmed people who were running down a road. The video can be found at <http://globalresearch.ca/articles/FAL409A.html>

3) There are two documentary videos which document what happened in [Fallujah](#) in 2004. One is called "The Hidden Massacre". In this video, a member of the American military recounts how the order to use phosphorus was broadcast over radios. The video also offers evidence of other crimes. Here is a link to the video:

<http://video.google.ca/videoplay?docid=8905191678365185391&q=Fallujah%3A+hidden+massacre&total=38&start=0&num=10&so=0&type=search&plindex=0>

The second video is entitled, "Fallujah, Operation Phantom Fury" and can be found here:

<http://video.google.ca/videoplay?docid=5763436135046925462&q=fallujah&total=2736&start=0&num=10&so=0&type=search&plindex=7>

4) The following article from the Guardian newspaper also presents a compelling account of what happened in [Fallujah](#) in 2004:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2005/nov/22/usa.iraq1>

5) The following is a link to the Democracy Now website which contains video evidence of the execution of a wounded Iraqi. The linked page also contains a discussion between Amy Goodwin (the host) and attorney Johnnie L. Lohel of the Center for Constitutional Rights about potential crimes committed in [Fallujah](#). Here is the link: http://i3.democracynow.org/2004/11/19/u_s_war_crimes_in_fallujah

6) This is another video which documents the execution of a wounded person in [Fallujah](#):

http://www.metacafe.com/watch/145745/fallujah_raw_footage/

7) The following is a video in which Dahr Jamail explains what happened in [Fallujah](#):

<http://video.google.ca/videoplay?docid=6522901172037059005&q=fallujah+war+crimes&total=18&start=0&num=10&so=0&type=search&plindex=8>

8) And yet another video which documents the crimes committed in Fallujah:

<http://video.google.ca/videoplay?docid=2563239062034747546&q=fallujah+war+crimes&total=18&start=0&num=10&so=0&type=search&plindex=6>

9) This news article contains eyewitness accounts of what happened in Fallujah, including reports of soldiers shooting at ambulances. The article appeared in the NewsWales website:

<http://www.newswales.co.uk/?section=Politics&F=1&id=6831>

10) The following website also contains information about a variety of crimes committed in Iraq since the of the invasion:

<http://www.brusselstribunal.org/>

I believe that there is sufficient evidence to launch an investigation into what happened in Fallujah, Iraq pray that you will agree and take all necessary steps to ensure that justice is served. Thank you for your consideration. I have sent copies of this email to four individuals at media outlets and research centres as three private citizens due to a fear of retaliation by the United States government.

Sincerely,

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