

UNIVERSITY OF OSLO, FACULTY OF LAW NORWEGIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

COURSE OUTLINE updated on August 10, 2009

Course Name: Human Rights and Counter-Terrorism: Striking a Balance?

Course Code: HUMR 5503

Course Website: http://www.uio.no/studier/emner/jus/humanrights/HUMR5503/

<u>Notice:</u> Any page references provided in this Course Outline are to facilitate student preparation for each lecture.

They are not a substitute for the official reading list for which students are responsible on the final examination.

Location: Lectures take place in room 365, Domus Nova building (St. Olavs kvartal).

Subject: Definition of terrorism. Core Elements. The Permanent

Emergency. Overview of International Cooperation –

UN, Europe & the Americas

LECTURE 1

Instructor: Professor Cecilia Bailliet

Date/time: Wednesday 2 September, 10:15-12

Location: Room 365, Domus Nova

Instruments:

- UN Resolution 1373
- Inter American Convention Against Terrorism
- OAU Convention on the Prevention and Combating of Terrorism
- EU Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism
- SAARC Convention

Website:

• http://treaties.un.org/Pages/DB.aspx?path=DB/studies/page2_en.xml&menu=MTDSG

Reading:

- Duffy, Chapter 2
- Karima Bennoune, "Terror/Torture", 26 Berkeley Journal of International Law 1 2008

Websites:

- http://www.globalct.org/index.php
- http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2008/ga10735.doc.htm

The Relationship Between Human Rights and Counter-

Subject: terrorism

LECTURE 2 & 3

Instructor: Researcher Richard Hustad

Date/time: Wednesdays 9 & 16 September, 10:15-12

Location: Room 365, Domus Nova

Lecture outline:

Human Rights in Situations of Counter-Terrorism

- 1. The Relationship Between Human Rights and Counter-terrorism
 - The Freedom from Terrorism
 - Balancing Competing Human Rights
- 2. The Derogation Regime of CCPR, Art. 4
 - Necessary
 - Proportional
 - Appropriate
 - Least intrusive means
 - Non-discriminatory
 - Derogation Regime in CESCR?
- 3. The Freedom from Arbitrary Detention and Rights in Custody
 - "Arbitrary Arrest"
 - Reasons for Arrest
 - Access to Counsel
 - Time Limits
 - "Competent Authority"
 - Habeas Corpus
 - Detention Abroad—The Issue of Extraterritoriality
- 4. Restrictions of Human Rights
 - Provided by Law
 - Necessary
 - Legitimate Objective
 - Consistent with Other Rights
- 5. Freedom of Expression

Instruments:

- UDHR Art. 3
- CCPR, Arts. 4, 6 & 9
- CESCR Art. 5
- HRC General Comment 39
- Paris Minimum Standards of Human Rights Norms in a State of Emergency
- Siracusa Principles on the limitation and derogation of CCPR

Cases:

- Delgado Paez v. Colombia, HRC 1990
- Weinberger v. Uruguay, HRC 1978
- Busyo et. Al. v. Congo HRC (2003)
- Silva v. Uruguay, HRC (1981)
- The Greek Case, Eur. Comm. H.R. (1969)
- Adolfo Drescher Caldas v. Urugay, HRC 1990
- Antti Vuolanne v. Finland, HRC 1989

Readings:

EXTRA GUEST LECTURE

• Duffy, Chapter 7, pp.274-347, 364-365

Socio-Economic Rights & Terrorism

Subject:

Martin Scheinin, Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and

Instructor:
Date/time:

Counter-Terrorism 21 September, 10-12

Location:

Norwegian Center of Human Rights (NCHR), Cort Adelersgt. 30,

auditorium (ground floor)

Subject :

Torture

LECTURE 4

Instructor: Property Date/time: Property W

Professor Cecilia Bailliet

Wednesday 23 September, 10:15-12

Location: Room 365, Domus Nova

Instrument:

• CAT, Articles 1 & 3; ICCPR, Art. 7

Reading:

- Dr. Mohammed Saif-Alden Wattad, The Torturing Debate on Torture 29 Northern Illinois U. Law Review 1 (2008)
- Torture Memo http://www.nytimes.com/ref/international/24MEMO-GUIDE.html?_r=1&scp=1&sq=torture%20memos&st=cse

http://www.aclu.org/accountability/released.html

Extraordinary Rendition, Enforced Disappearance &

Subject: Non-Refoulement

LECTURE 5 Instructor: Professor Cecilia Bailliet

Date/time: Wednesday 7 October, 10:15-12
Location: Room 365, Domus Nova

Instrument:

• CAT Agiza Case http://www.unhcr.org/refworld/country,,CAT,,EGY,456d621e2,42ce734a2,0.html

Reading:

 Louis Fisher, Extraordinary Rendition: The Price of Secrecy, 57 American U. Law Review 1404 (June 2008)

Counter-terrorism and 'Transnational' Armed Conflicts

Subject:

<u>LECTURE 6</u> Instructor: Simon O'Connor, Legal Advisor, Norwegian Red Cross

Date/time: Wednesday 14 October, 10:15-12

Location: Room 365, Domus Nova

Reading:

• Duffy, Chapter 6 pages 217-228 and 249-273

Treaty Law:

- Common Articles 2 and 3 to Geneva Conventions of 1949
- Articles 4 and 5 of Geneva Convention Relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War of August 12, 1949
- Articles 1 and 43- 45 of the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949, and relating to the protection of victims of International Armed Conflict (Protocol I) of 8 June 1977

Jurisprudence:

• *Prosecutor v Tadic* ICTY Decision on the Defence Motion for Interlocutory Appeal on Jurisdiction (Appeals Chamber) paras. 65-70

Pleadings:

Joint Defence Motion to Dismiss All Charges for Lack of Subject Matter Jurisdiction
 (Absence of Armed Conflict) 3 November 2008 - http://www.defenselink.mil/news/D-061%20Defense%20MTD%20for%20Lack%20of%20Jurisdiction%20(absence%20of%20armed%20conflict).pdf (Yet to be ruled on given the Commission Ruling of 12 June 2009 granting Prosecution Motion for Additional 120-Day Continuance and current further continuance on substantive matters, yet not discovery)

Government Documents:

- Legality of the Use of Military Commissions to Try Terrorists November 6 2001
 Memorandum for the Counsel to the President (Office of Legal Counsel US
 Department of Justice see http://www.usdoj.gov/olc/2001/pub-millcommfinal.pdf)
- "Protected Person" Status in Occupied Iraq Under the Fourth Geneva Convention March 18 2004 Memorandum for the Counsel to the President (Office of Legal Counsel US Department of Justice see http://www.usdoj.gov/olc/2004/gc4mar18.pdf

Articles:

- Corn and Jensen, Transnational Armed Conflict: A "Principled" Approach to the Regualtion of Counter-Terrorism Combat Operations 42 Israel Law Review (2009) pages 1-34 available at SSRN – http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1256380
- Sassoli, M. *Transnational Armed Groups and International Humanitarian Law* HCPR Occsaional Paper Series Winter 2006 No. 6
- Jinks, D. September 11 and the Laws of War 28 Yale Journal International Law 15 (2003) pages 1-49
- Rona *Interesting Times for International Humanitarian Law* Fletcher Forum of World Affairs Vol 27:2 Summer Fall (2003) available at ICRC website http://www.icrc.org/Web/eng/siteeng0.nsf/htmlall/5PWELF/\$File/Rona_terror.pdf

Optional Readings:

- Commentaries to Articles from Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocol I see http://www.icrc.org/Web/Eng/siteeng0.nsf/htmlall/genevaconventions and follow respective links
- Antonio Cassese, Terrorism is Also Disrupting Some Crucial Legal Categories of International Law 12 EJIL (2001) 993-1001
- Prosecutor v Tadic ICTY Appeal Judgment paragraphs 83-145
- Prosecutor v Thomas Lunanga Dvilo ICC Decision on the Confirmation of Charges
- paragraphs 200-237
- Marco Sassoli, Terrorism and War 4 JICL (2006) 959-981
- Ingrid Detter The Law of War and Illegal Combatants 75 GWLR 5-6 (2007) 1049-1104

- US Department of Justice Memorandum of 22 January 02 http://fl1.findlaw.com/news.findlaw.com/hdocs/docs/doj/bybee12202mem.pdf
- White House Memoradum of 7 February 2002 http://www.pegc.us/archive/White_House/bush_memo_20020207_ed.pdf

The Targets of Counter-terrorism: Direct Participants of

Hostes Humanis Generis?

Subject:

LECTURE 7 Instructor:

Date/time: Simon O'Connor, Legal Advisor, Norwegian Red Cross

Location: Wednesday 4 November, 10:15-12

Room 365, Domus Nova

Reading:

• Duffy Chapter 6, pages 228-249

Treaty Law:

- Articles 43- 45 and 50-51 of the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949, and relating to the protection of victims of International Armed Conflict (Protocol I) of 8 June 1977
- Article 13 of the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949, and relating to the protection of victims of Non-International Armed Conflict (Protocol I) of 8 June 1977
- Article 101-107, 110-111 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982

United Nations:

Security Council Resolutions:

- 1269 on the responsibility of the Security Council in the maintenance of international peace and security
- 1373 on threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts
- 1851 on the situation in Somalia

ICRC:

• Interpretive Guidance on the Notion of Direct Participation in Hostilities under International Humanitarian Law International Review of the Red Cross Vol. 90 No. 872 December 2008 991-1047

Pleadings:

• In Re: Guantanamo Bay Detainee Litigation Respondent's Memorandum Regarding the Government's Detention Authority Relative to Detainees Held at Guantanamo Bay 13 March 2009 District Court for the District of Columbia

Articles:

- Direct Participation in Hostilities" and 21st Century Armed Conflict, in Crisis Management and Humanitarian Protection: Festschrift fur Dieter Fleck (Berlin: BWV, Horst Fischer et al eds., 2004), at 505-529.
- Bradley, C.A. and Goldsmith, J.L. *Congressional Authorisation and the War on Terrorism* Harvard Law Review 118 Harvard Law Review No 7. (2005) 2047-2133
- Kontorovich, E. "Guantanamo on the Sea" The Difficulties of Prosecuting Pirates and Terrorists Northwestern University School of Law Public Law and Legal Theory Series No.09-10 (http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1371122) Due to be published California Law Review Vol. 98 February 2010 pages 1-39

Treves, T. Piracy, Law of the Sea, and the Use of Force: Developments off the Coast of Somalia European Journal of International Law (2009) Vol. 20 No.2 399-414

Optional Readings:

 Commentaries to Articles from Additional Protocols I and II see http://www.icrc.org/Web/Eng/siteeng0.nsf/htmlall/genevaconventions and follow respective links

ICRC Report on the Treatment of Fourteen "High Value Detainees" in CIA Custody (in particular Section 4)

- Humanitarian Law and Direct Participation in Hostilities by Private Contractors or Civilian Employees 5 Chicago Journal of International Law 511-546 (2005)
- Simpson, G. Law War and Crime Chapter 7

- Halberstam, M. Terrorism on the High Seas: The Achille Lauro, Piracy and the IMO Convention on Maritime Safety 82 American Journal of International Law (1988) 269-310
- SUA Convention Articles 3-7

Criminalising Terrorism and Related Acts under

International Law

Subject:

Instructor:
Data/time: Nobuo

Date/time: Nobuo Hayashi, Reseacher, PRIO Location: Wednesday 11 November, 10:15-12

Room 365, Domus Nova

Mandatory readings:

LECTURE 8

• *Prosecutor v. Galic*, paras. 63-138 (Trial Judgement) and paras. 79-109 (Appeal Judgement) (http://www.icty.org/case/galic/4)

• Duffy, chap. 4 (esp. pp. 73-117)

 Mark A. Drumbl, Transnational Terrorist Financing: Criminal and Civil Perspectives, 9 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL (2008), pp. 933-943 (http://www.germanlawjournal.com/pdf/Vol09No07/PDF_Vol_09_No_07_933-944_Developments_Drumbl.pdf)

Optional readings:

- *Prosecutor v. Galic* (Trial Judgement), Judge Nieto-Navia's separate and partially dissenting opinion, paras. 108-113 (http://www.icty.org/case/galic/4)
- Duffy, chap. 4 (pp. 117-143)

• Jeanne K. Giraldo and Harold A. Trinkunas, *Terrorist Financing: Explaining Government Responses*, *in* Terrorist Financing and State Responses: A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE, pp. 282-296 (2007)

Subject:

Keeping Counter-Terrorist Measures in Check I –

Prospects and Limitations of National Self-Correction

LECTURE 9 Instructor:

Date/time: Nobuo Hayashi, Researcher, PRIO Location: Wednesday 18 November, 10:15-12

Room 365, Domus Nova

Mandatory readings:

- *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld et al.*, pp. 20-73 (http://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/05pdf/05-184.pdf)
- *Boumediene et al. v. Bush et al.*, pp. 8-70 (http://www.supremecourtus.gov/opinions/07pdf/06-1195.pdf)

Optional readings:

- *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld et al.*, Justice Kennedy's partially concurring opinion (http://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/05pdf/05-184.pdf)
- *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld et al.*, Justice Thomas' dissenting opinion (http://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/05pdf/05-184.pdf)
- *Boumediene et al. v. Bush et al.*, Justice Robert's dissenting opinion (http://www.supremecourtus.gov/opinions/07pdf/06-1195.pdf)
- *Boumediene et al. v. Bush et al.*, Justice Scalia's dissenting opinion (http://www.supremecourtus.gov/opinions/07pdf/06-1195.pdf)

• Duffy, chap. 8 (esp. pp. 379-430)

Keeping Counter-Terrorist Measures in Check II –

Subject: Norms and Institutions of International Criminal Justice

and 'Transnational' Armed Conflicts

LECTURE 10

Instructor: Nobuo Hayashi, Researcher, PRIO Wednesday 25 November, 10:15-12

Location: Room 365, Domus Nova

Mandatory readings:

- Philippe Sands, *Torture Teams: Uncovering War Crimes in the Land of the Free* (Penguin 2009), pp. 211-294
- Duffy, chap. 8 (esp. pp. 430-442)

Optional readings:

• *United States of America v. Josef Altstoetter et al.* ("The Justice Case"), pp. 1081-1177 (http://www.loc.gov/rr/frd/Military_Law/pdf/NT_war-criminals_Vol-III.pdf)

Extra:

Special Film: *Torturing Democracy* (http://www.torturingdemocracy.org/)