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## Saddam Hussein (1937-2006)

### Introduction

Saddam Hussein was dictator of Iraq from 1979 to 2003 when his regime was overthrown by a United States led invasion. Born in 1937, Saddam had joined the revolutionary Baath party while he was a university student. He launched his political career in 1958 by assassinating a supporter of Iraqi ruler Abdul-Karim Qassim. Saddam rose through the ranks after a Baath Coup, and by 1979 he was Iraq's president and *de facto* dictator. He led Iraq through a decade-long war with Iran, and in August of 1990 his forces invaded the neighbouring country of Kuwait. A US-led alliance organized by George H. W. Bush ran Hussein's Forces out of Kuwait in the Gulf War which ended in 1991 with Saddam still in power.

At the beginning of 2002 Hussein came under renewed pressure from George W. Bush. In March of 2003, Hussein's regime was overthrown by an invasion of Coalition forces. Hussein's Sons Uday and Qusay were killed by US Forces in the northern town of Mosul in July of 2003. Hussein disappeared, but US forces captured him on 13 December 2003 after finding him in a small underground pit on a farm near the town of Tikrit. He was subsequently handed over to Iraqi authorities. During his trial three of his lawyers were assassinated, prompting a boycott of the court by their colleagues. Saddam was eventually sentenced to hang and died on December 30<sup>th</sup> 2006, his execution was broadcast around the world.

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