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UK: Government must take action to protect UK nationals held in US custody at Guantánamo Bay

The Court of Appeal, the second highest court in England, described Feroz Abbasi's indefinite detention in US custody without access to a court as "objectionable".

Feroz Abbasi from Croydon, London, is one of seven confirmed UK nationals, including Asif Iqbal from West Bromwich, England, and Shafiq Rasul from Tipton, England, who are currently held in US custody at Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

Amnesty International believes that today's judgment underscores the duty of the UK to act to protect the rights of its nationals.

Amnesty International is calling on the UK to urge the USA to repatriate the seven UK nationals immediately unless they are promptly charged by the US authorities and brought to trial before an independent court in proceedings which respect their rights to a fair trial and exclude the possibility that the death penalty may be imposed.

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