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## **Chairman Rogers Supports Military Commission Trial for Khalid Sheikh Mohammed**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Mike Rogers, today released a statement saying he supports trying Khalid Sheikh Mohammed in a Military Commission trial.

“The decision to try Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and the 9/11 co-conspirators in a military commission at Guantanamo is the right one and it is long overdue. The President and the Attorney General deserve credit for their willingness to acknowledge that serious shortcomings have existed all along in their plans to force dangerous international terrorists into the civilian justice system. Those flawed plans could have endangered intelligence sources and collection efforts and also risked the safety of Americans in New York.

“Khalid Sheikh Mohammed is an unrepentant and hardcore terrorist who bragged about committing the brutal murder of Daniel Pearl with his own hands and whose legal defense with his coconspirators is that terrorizing Americans is a ‘great legitimate duty’. The military commission process will bring the justice that has been delayed for too long, while providing adequate protection for intelligence equities in the process.”

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