

The thesis discusses the problem of application of international humanitarian law to american concept of „Global War on Terror“ in international example of Guantanamo law and detainees. Although international humanitarian law and human rights law are complementary systems, the main stress is layed on humanitarian law. The Global War on Terror is described in official statements of american administrative, in particular on G.W.Bush's statements and documents like National Security Strategy of United States of America (2002) and National Strategy for Combating Terrorism (2003). Special account is given to the afghan conflict between 2001 and 2006, including analysis of opposing sides, in particular of Taliban, and chracter of combat operations. At the same time the thesis is dealing with Guantanamo Bay detainees. It takes note of discrepancy between official statements and standard practice on Guantanamo Base. After introduction to humanitarian law, the status of detainees is discussed following the facts of previous chapters. The main distinction is drawn between detainees captured on the „battlefield“ in Afghanistan and detainees „captured“ outside the conflict.