

“Chemical Ali”



ALI HASSAN AL-MAJID

► **1987:** *Al-Majid*, cousin of **Saddam Hussein**, appointed governor of northern Iraq. **Anfal Campaign** – offensive by Iraqi troops against Kurdish population – begins

► **1988:** Orders use of chemical weapons against Kurdish village of Halabja, killing 5,000 residents

► **1991:** Appointed interior minister to crush Shia rebellion in southern Iraq, following liberation of Kuwait by U.S.-led coalition forces

► **2003:** Captured by U.S.-led forces after Iraq's invasion

► **Jun 2007:** Sentenced to death on genocide charges for killing 180,000 Kurds during Anfal Campaign

► **Feb 2008:** Al-Majid's execution approved by Iraq's presidency