

## Mad vs Bad

*The Scotsman* tells us (via **Daniel Pipes**) that an international terror suspect is **ill**. What illness afflicts him? Flu? Syphilis? Pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis? Well, no. Nothing like that:

An international terrorist suspect held at a top security psychiatric hospital is seeking bail so that his mental health problems can be treated "in the community", the High Court heard today...

He was held on the grounds that he was suspected of actively supporting and raising funds for various international terrorist groups, including those linked to Osama Bin Laden.

As we have noted before, mental illness **is not a real illness**. This incident nicely illustrates the silliness of the whole idea of mental illness. If someone is capable of raising money to kill infidels, then it seems to us that he is perfectly capable of coping with being in hospital until his trial. We also think that a man who is capable of raising money for a mass murderer must be fairly difficult to upset. We also think he should be in jail so he doesn't run away. That such a capable person has been diagnosed with mental illness says more about the credulousness of psychiatrists than about his state of health.

We also wish to mention, in case it has slipped the government's notice, that we are at war. The government suspects this man of adhering to the enemy. Therefore he should not be running around and whether he is happy or unhappy about this should not be the determining consideration.

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## we are at war????

When was it declared? If it doesn't need to be declared, then when haven't we been at war?

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## Sheesh

Is it July?

When was it declared?

If it wasn't declared, then when hasn't it been July?

How can anything be true without a formal declaraction by congress???

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by **Gil** on Fri, 07/30/2004 - 18:37 | [reply](#)

**I get it!**

Then it must be an undeclared war, ho hum.

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**It was declared**

it was declared [here](#).

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