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The Pentagon appears to be moving closer to beginning trials for detainees held at Guantanamo Bay, including Australian David Hicks.

US marines escort a detainee through Camp X-Ray. (Reuters)

The Pentagon has started seeking submissions from media organisations interested in covering the military commissions which will take place at Guantanamo Bay.

It is asking journalists to make a case as to why they should be granted admission to the trials.

The criteria include the reach and audience of the publication.

The deadline for submissions closes in a couple of days, indicating that the Pentagon is moving with haste.

In another sign that there is movement on the Guantanamo detainees, a Spanish inmate is being repatriated to his homeland today.

US Secretary of State Colin Powell says it is likely to be the first repatriation of several.

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