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Further information on UA 58/05 (AMR 51/054/2005, 11 March 2005) - Death penalty / Legal concern

USA (Missouri) Stanley Hall (m), black, aged 36

Stanley Hall was executed in Missouri on 16 March 2005. He was sentenced to death in March 1996 for the murder of Barbara Wood in January 1994.

The US Supreme Court refused to intervene in the case, and Governor Blunt denied clemency, despite the evidence that Stanley Hall has mental retardation, that another man involved in the crime was never even charged, and that Hall's trial was tainted by racial aspects and prosecutorial misconduct.

Twelve prisoners have been put to death in the USA this year, bringing to 955 the total number of executions since judicial killing resumed in the USA in 1977. Missouri accounts for 62 of these executions.

No further action is requested. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.