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Further information on UA 107/05 (AMR 51/066/2005, 03 May 2005) -- Death Penalty

USA (Connecticut)

Michael Bruce Ross (m), white, aged 45

Michael Ross was executed in Connecticut on 13 May, after dropping his appeals against his death sentence. This was the first execution in Connecticut for 45 years.

Michael Ross was sentenced to death in 1987 for the murder of four teenagers, all female, in 1983 and 1984.

Twenty-two people have been executed in the USA this year, bringing to 966 the number of people put to death nationwide since judicial killing resumed in the country in 1977.

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