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Further information on EXTRA 15/03 (AMR 51/028/2003, 20 February 2003) - Death penalty / Legal concern

USA (Texas)

Bobby Glen Cook (m), white, aged 42

Bobby Cook was executed in Texas on 11 March. He was sentenced to death in 1994 for the murder of Edwin Earl Holder in 1993.

In his final statement, he asked for forgiveness and maintained that the shooting of Edwin Holder had been an act of self-defence.

Bobby Cook was the 15th prisoner to be put to death in the USA this year, and the 10th in Texas. His was the 835th execution in the USA since judicial killing resumed there in 1977. Texas accounts for 299 of these executions.

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