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Further information on EXTRA 77/91 (AMR 51/54/91, 7 November 1991) - Death Penalty

USA (Florida):Leo JONES

Amnesty International has just learnt that Leo Jones has received a stay of execution until 15 November 1991. Oral arguments on the case are scheduled to be heard in Florida's Supreme Court on 14 November 1991. However, it is likely that the execution will be rescheduled for 15 November 1991 or soon after.

Leo Jones was scheduled to have been executed by electrocution in the state of Florida on 13 November 1991. He was sentenced to death in November 1981 for the murder of a white police officer in May 1981. The reason for the stay is not known to Amnesty International.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: telegrams/telephone calls/faxes:

- urging Governor Chiles to grant clemency to Leo Jones by commuting his death sentence.

APPEALS TO:

The Honourable Lawton Chiles
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Dear Governor

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