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Further information on UA 213/06 (AMR 51/129/2006, 04 August 2006) - Death penalty / Legal concern

USA (Oklahoma) James Patrick Malicoat (m), white, aged 31

James Malicoat was executed in Oklahoma on 31 August 2006. He was sentenced to death in 1998 for the murder of his 13-month-old daughter Tessa Leadford in 1997.

In his final statement, James Malicoat reportedly said: "I'm sorry I caused the death of another human, but there's nothing I can do to change it. Contrary to what some people believe, I have spent very many years going over it in my head and it's never left me. I hope someday people involved in it will move on."

James Malicoat had been scheduled for lethal injection on 22 August, but the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals delayed the execution.

There have been 41 executions in the USA this year, bringing to 1,045, the total number of people put to death nationwide since judicial killing resumed in 1977. Oklahoma accounts for 83 of these executions

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