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Further information on EXTRA 56/99 - Death Penalty / Legal Concern (AMR 51/73/99, 4 May 1999)

USA (Oklahoma) Scotty Lee MOORE, aged 42

Scotty Lee Moore was executed by lethal injection in Oklahoma shortly after midnight, local time, on 3 June 1999. He had been sentenced to death in 1984 for the murder of clerk Alex Fernandez in the course of an armed robbery at a motel in Oklahoma City on 18 November 1983.

The Oklahoma Pardon and Parole Board rejected Scotty Moore's appeal for clemency on 18 May, by four votes to one. It remains unclear what would move the Board to vote for clemency in a death penalty case. Scotty Moore appealed on the grounds of the alleged lack of objectivity of the Board, but was unsuccessful.

Scotty Moore became the 16th person to be put to death in Oklahoma since the state resumed executions in 1990, and the 548th person put to death nationwide since the USA resumed judicial killing in 1977. Forty-eight prisoners have been executed so far in 1999.

No further action is requested by the UA Network. Many thanks to all those who sent appeals on behalf of Scotty Moore.