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NEWS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release

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Re: Mohamed Abdalla Parole Hearing

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA – Stanislaus County District Attorney James Brazelton announced today that Mohamed Abdalla, 50, was found unsuitable for parole at a May 3, 2004, hearing of the State Board of Prison Terms in Avenal State Prison. Deputy District Attorney Dean Archibald appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based on the brutality of Mohamed Abdalla's execution-style murder of a rival for his estranged common-law wife's affections as well as Abdalla's refusal to recognize his culpability in that slaying. Abdalla shot victim Manuel Ramirez three times and then ran over him with a car as Abdalla fled the scene on Imperial Avenue in Modesto.

Mohamed Abdalla was convicted of second-degree murder in December of 1992 and was sentenced to 20 years-to-life. This was Abdalla's first parole hearing. He is scheduled for another hearing in two years.

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