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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Lifer Hearing-Mohamed Abdalla

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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Mohamed Abdalla of Fremont, California was found unsuitable for parole at a July 22, 2008 hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings held at Corcoran State Prison. Deputy District Attorney Richard Gore appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based on the danger Abdalla would pose to the community should he be released on parole. The Board of Prison Terms agreed and denied parole for a period of two years.

Abdalla was convicted by jury of the March 29, 1992 murder of Manuel Ramirez.. He is serving a 20 year to life prison sentence. In early 1992, Abdalla and his wife separated and she began a relationship with Manuel Ramirez of Modesto. On March 29, 1992, in the early morning hours, Abdalla drove from Fremont to Modesto in order to confront Ramirez. Soon after Abdalla arrived at his wife's residence, Ramirez showed up and he was immediately confronted by Abdalla. Abdalla pulled out a pistol and shot Ramirez once in the leg. Ramirez fell to the ground and Abdalla fired two more shots at close range into Ramirez's neck and forehead. Abdalla then fled in his car and while doing so deliberately ran over Ramirez. Ramirez died of gun shot wounds and the injuries sustained from being run over.

Abdalla has been denied parole on previous occasions. He is a native of Egypt and, if he is paroled, it is possible that he will be deported. Abdalla will be scheduled for another hearing in 2010.

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