Nos. 01-9532

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

ABU-ALI ABDUR'RAHMAN, Petitioner,

v.

RICKY BELL, Warden, Respondent.

RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR STAY OF EXECUTION

On April 8, 2002, this Court stayed petitioner's April 10, 2002, execution pending disposition of a petition for writ of certiorari in Case No. 01-9094. Accordingly, petitioner's present motion for a stay of execution should be denied as moot. In any event, for the reasons stated in the contemporaneously filed brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari in this case, the petition fails to demonstrate a likelihood of success on the merits. Therefore, the motion for a stay should be denied. *See Delo v. Blair*, 509 U.S. 823 (1993) (per curiam).

Respectfully submitted,

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