Opinion of Thomas, J.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 07-455

UNITED STATES, PETITIONER v. AHMED RESSAM

ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

[May 19, 2008]

JUSTICE THOMAS, with whom JUSTICE SCALIA joins, concurring in part and concurring in the judgment.

Because the plain language of the statute squarely answers the question presented in this case, I join only Part I of the Court's opinion.