UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT **DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

JUAN CRUZ,

Petitioner,

v.

Civ. Action No. 04-5406 (KSH)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

ORDER

Katharine S. Hayden, U.S.D.J.

For the reasons expressed in the opinion filed herewith,

IT IS on this 16th day of August, 2007,

ORDERED that petitioner's application for a writ of habeas corpus is **dismissed**; and it is further

ORDERED that no certificate of appealability shall issue under 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1) because petitioner has failed to make a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right.

/s/ Katharine S. Hayden

Katharine S. Hayden, U.S.D.J.