



Jaime Parera Perán, age 27, was assassinated May 12, 1965 at “El Castillito,” the State Security headquarters at Santiago de Cuba.

Jaime was a resident of Holguín, Oriente Province, Cuba and was a radio and TV operations' specialist. The year before his arrest, he had resigned from his post as head of the Radio and TV station for State Security in Holguín, refusing to collaborate any longer with the government. Although he and his family had been staunch revolutionaries during the struggle against the Batista regime, they had become disaffected with the Castro government.

Jaime had been arrested and held incommunicado at State Security headquarters, accused of being a “counter-revolutionary.” Around three months later, a police car came to his family's home to inform them he had died. That same night, an ambulance delivered the body. No explanation was given and a death certificate was not provided. The authorities said they would return with documents for them, but never did.

A forensic specialist and family friend examined the body. Jaime's hands were burned and he had swallowed his tongue. The examination concluded that Jaime had died of asphyxia from electric shocks (torture). He left a wife, a six-month old son, and a four-year old daughter.

*Source: Written and telephone testimony (April 2006) of brother, resident of Miami, Florida, who left Cuba in 1994.
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