

Shootout At Intersection In Miami Fatal To Exile

MIAMI (UPI) — A Cuban refugee once wanted for killing two police officers in Cuba was shot and killed and two other men were wounded Friday night in a shootout at a Miami intersection.

Police yesterday were still trying to piece together what happened and determine a motive for the outbreak of gunplay.

The dead man was identified as Hector Duarte Hernandez, 38, who came to this country in 1957 and was jailed for illegal entry. But a judge turned down later on technical grounds the Cuban government's request to extradite Hernandez to face charges of killing two policemen the year before.

WITNESSES told police that a car driven by Manuel Chacon, 19, and carrying Hernandez pulled up at a stop light and that Hernandez, without

explanation, got out of the car and ran back to another car driven by Gustavo Battle, 30, a onetime policeman in Cuba.

In the ensuing gunfight, investigators said, Chacon came out of his car with a carbine.

Battle's car struck Chacon, dragging him until the car stopped and Battle fell out, wounded by gunfire. Chacon also had been shot, and Hernandez lay dead in the middle of the street.

Police said Pedro Battle, Gustavo's brother, called them after the shooting and said he had shot at Hernandez trying to protect his brother. He was being questioned.
