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Cornelius Pames Indicted for Murder of Ninety-Four-Year-Old Eucebia Garcia

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CLEVELAND – Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a Cuyahoga County Grand Jury has indicted Cornelius Pames Jr., 25, for the murder of 94-year-old Eusebia Garcia.

"Eucebia was a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "We will hold Pames accountable for his horrific actions."

Pames has been charged with Aggravated Murder, Murder, Aggravated Burglary, Aggravated Robbery, Kidnapping, Felonious Assault, and Attempted Murder. This case is eligible for capital specifications and will be reviewed by our Capital Review Committee at a later date.

Eucebia, 94, and Marina Garcia, 74, both from Honduras, were in town visiting family for the summer. At about 1:45am on September 17th, 2018, Pames broke into the Garcia's Cleveland home located at 6203 Gertrude Avenue. Pames forced entry into the residence by pushing in a window air conditioner unit and crawling through the window.

Once inside, Pames assaulted the women who were sleeping in their bed, stole valuables, and then fled the scene. Both victims were transported to Metro where Eucebia died from her injuries.

Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office connected Pames' DNA to the scene of the crime.

Arraignment is scheduled for January 17th at 8:30am at the Cuyahoga County Justice Center.

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