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Martin Muniz Pleads Guilty to Aggravated Murder; Sentenced to Four Consecutive Life Sentences in Prison for Quadruple Homicide on Mack Court

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced Martin Muniz, 42, pleaded guilty to four counts of aggravated murder and was sentenced to four consecutive life sentences without parole with an additional 15 years in gun specification to be served prior to and consecutive to the life sentences for the murder of four people. In addition, he pleaded guilty to one count of attempted aggravated murder and was sentenced to 11 to 16.5 years in prison for shooting an 8-year-old female.

"Martin Muniz is a vicious mass murderer," said Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley. "Anyone who can murder four family members deserves to be removed from society for the rest of their life. I pray the 8-year-old young girl who survived this horrible violence can recover."

On January 13, 2023, Martin Muniz approached Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) officers and stated he shot and killed five people at a residence near Mack Court and West 37th Street in Cleveland. The officers then arrested him.

The CDP responded to the scene where they found five people shot in the head. Three victims, Jayden Baez, 16, Anglic Gonzalez, 35, and Miguel Gonzalez, 70, were pronounced deceased on scene. Two victims, Anthony Boothe, 48, and an 8-year-old female, were transported to a nearby hospital. At the hospital, Anthony Boothe was pronounced deceased. The 8-year-old female was treated for her injuries.

Martin Muniz is also a suspect in a homicide in New Jersey.

Martin Muniz pleaded guilty to the following charges:

- Four counts of Aggravated Murder with one and three year gun specifications
- One count of Attempted Aggravated Murder with one and three year gun specifications

He was sentenced to four consecutive life sentences without parole with an additional 15 years in gun specification to be served prior to and consecutive to the life sentences. In addition, he was sentenced to 11 to 16.5 years in prison to be served consecutively to the life sentences.