

Jury Convicts Man of Murder in Death of Cousin

(AP) - A jury has convicted a 32-year-old Falls City man of first-degree murder in the death of his cousin.

The Nebraska attorney general's office says a Richardson County jury on Friday found Desiderio Hernandez guilty of killing his cousin, Joseph A. Debella Jr. Hernandez also was found guilty of use of a firearm to commit a felony and possession of a firearm by a prohibited person.

Debella was found on Aug. 5, 2015, in the basement of a Falls City home. He had been shot in the head and died from the wound Aug. 13 at a Lincoln hospital.

Hernandez was arrested after a nearly seven-hour standoff at a home in Horton, Kansas.

He will be sentenced Jan. 31.

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