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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Edward Haro, age 51, was found unsuitable for parole at a hearing of the State Board of Prison Hearings at the California State Prison, Solano in Vacaville on August 21, 2008. Deputy District Attorney Doug Maner appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based on the violent nature of the offense and lack of rehabilitation. The hearing was attended by several of the victim's next of kin, some of whom opposed parole & one who requested the killer's release from prison.

On February 14, 1986, Haro and four crime partners killed Gilbert and Joseph Flores after they accused them of burglarizing Haro's home. Haro had threatened on several occasions to kill the persons who stole his property and went in search of them with several armed companions. The Flores brothers were kidnapped at gunpoint and taken to a remote orchard in rural Stanislaus County, where they were shot over ten times by three different guns. Haro and his crime partners then left the Flores brothers to bleed to death in the orchard while they went to a bar and drank beer.

Haro was convicted by a jury of two counts of murder and two counts of kidnapping with firearms allegations in 1986. Haro is serving a thirty one year to life prison term and was being considered for parole for the fourth time. Haro will be scheduled for another hearing in two years.

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