



# KIDNAPPING

## FELIX BATISTA

**December 10, 2008**  
**Saltillo, Mexico**



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### DESCRIPTION

<b>Date(s) of Birth Used:</b> May 11, 1955	<b>Place of Birth:</b> Oriente, Cuba
<b>Hair:</b> Gray, Closely Trimmed	<b>Eyes:</b> Brown
<b>Height:</b> 5'11"	<b>Weight:</b> 190 pounds
<b>Sex:</b> Male	<b>Race:</b> White (Hispanic)
<b>Nationality:</b> Cuban	<b>Scars and Marks:</b> Batista has a bald spot on the back of his head.

### REWARD

**The FBI is offering a reward of up to \$25,000.00 for information provided to the FBI leading to the identification, arrest, and conviction of the individuals responsible for the kidnapping of Felix Batista.**

### REMARKS

Batista is known to play guitar and sing. He was a former United States Army Major and worked for a security consulting group. Batista was also considered a specialist in anti-kidnapping issues and worked as a kidnapping negotiator.

### DETAILS

Felix Batista was last seen on December 10, 2008, outside a local restaurant in Saltillo, Mexico. That morning, Batista learned that his friend and former chief of security for a local industrial firm had been kidnapped. Batista began working as a negotiator to secure the victim's release. While at the restaurant, Batista received a call from the victim who told Batista that he had been released and was sending a car for him. This was later determined to be a ruse. Batista left his cell phone, credit cards, laptop, and all his documents inside the restaurant and went outside to wait. Witnesses reported that Batista was met by four men in a vehicle and was forced to enter into a Jeep. He has not been seen or heard from since. There has not been any ransom demand or communication from the group that took him. The victim was released about an hour after Batista was taken.

**If you have any information concerning this person, please contact your local FBI office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate.**

**Field Office:** Miami