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(Neb.) - Man convicted and acquitted in Terrytown stabbing

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TERRYTOWN, Neb. (AP) - A 42-year-old Nebraska Panhandle man has been convicted of two charges and acquitted of two others in a stabbing.

A jury returned its verdicts on Thursday evening for Victor Mata Jr. The Terrytown man had been accused of stabbing two men after a confrontation at a party November last year.

Mata was convicted of assault and a weapons charge. He was acquitted another assault and another weapons charge.

Prosecutors had said the two men forcibly removed Mata from the party, so Mata went to his nearby home, got a knife and returned to the party to attack the two men. Mata had said he was defending himself.

A sentencing date hasn't been set.

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