U.S. CIVILIAN PILOT SEIZED, CUBA SAYS

HAVANA, Jan. 18 (AP)-The Interior Ministry announced today that Cuba shot down a small plane and captured its United States pilot, a former paratrooper, on Dec. 29 after he dropped some arms over central Cuba.

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The pilot was identified as Everett Jackson, 27 years old, of Los Angeles, who had been living in Miami. The ministry said he had admitted trying "to infiltrate national territory."

There was no mention of a second American. Rudy Wanderson, a supervisor at the Homestead, Fla., airport, said Mr. Jackson and another man were aboard the last time the plane left there. He said both wore parachutes.

The ministry announcement said Mr. Jackson had dropped packages by parachute and a haversack containing an M-I carbine, 200 rounds of ammunition for the carbine, two cameras, a telescopic sight for the carbine and a notebook.

Mr. Jackson was a student pilot and sports parachutist. He obtained his student license Aug. 24.

In Garden Grove, Calif., his mother, Mrs. Azlaie Timmerman, said he went to Florida three years ago "to fight against Castro."