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In the Oct. 9 issue of daily newspaper Folha de Sao Paulo, National Coffee Council president Jaime Nogueira Miranda was quoted as saying that Brazil will not apply pressure in the near future to establish a new export quota system under the International Coffee Organization (ICO). According to Nogueira Miranda, resumption of quotas would not benefit Brazilian producers and exporters since they have already sold this season's crop. The ICO quota system collapsed in July. Preliminary results of a survey by the CNC show that about 800 million of Brazil's four billion coffee plants are to be destroyed in 1989, while another 800 million are scheduled for eradication next year.

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