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On March 22, the Paris-based Reporters sans Frontières released a report on a 92-nation survey of journalists' deaths. The report said that 71 journalists were murdered last year, compared to 45 in 1988. Of the 1989 total, 45 died in Latin America. Colombia headed the list with 15 journalist deaths, followed by El Salvador with 11, Peru with seven and Brazil with four. Paramilitary groups, guerrilla forces, and drug trafficking and crime syndicates were responsible for increasing numbers of journalists' deaths, said the report. (Basic data from DPA, 03/22/90)

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