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## **Guatemala: Family Massacred In Baja Verapaz**

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On Oct. 22, a spokesperson for the Human Rights Attorney General told reporters that a family of nine was massacred Oct. 18 in Volcancillo, Cobulco, Baja Verapaz department. The victims included two women, three men, and four children (ages two to nine). Neighbors informed authorities of the event on Saturday, but police delayed investigations until Monday. The spokesperson said a local judge identified the bodies, and ordered immediate burial. Police sources in Guatemala City said that a thorough investigation was underway, but no clues regarding motive have surfaced. (Basic data from ACAN-EFE, AFP, 10/22/91)

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