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On Oct. 20, women organized a protest march in downtown Montevideo to demand assistance from the government, the Congress and other organizations in addressing violence against women. Over the past year, 29 women have been murdered, and rape victims surpassed 100. According to a statement by protest organizers, "Violence against Uruguayan women is a product of learned behavior, and we are tired of it..." The Uruguayan Congress is currently debating a bill to establish an institute dedicated to prevention of domestic violence. (Source: Spanish news service EFE, 10/20/91)

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