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According to a report issued Jan. 29 by the Rio de Janeiro Military Police Command, nine police officers were responsible for the murders of 11 people in July, 1990. Nine of the victims were under 20 years of age. Only one of the suspects has been arrested (on extorsion charges). The other eight remain on active duty. The victims were abducted from the Acari neighborhood, located north of Rio, by six armed men. The vehicle used in the incident was discovered, and found to contain blood stains. The corpses have not yet been discovered. Mothers of the victims organized a protest against police impunity in Rio de Janeiro, and requested an investigation by Amnesty International.
(Source: Agence France-Presse, 01/29/92)

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