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Brazil: Rio de Janeiro 2003 - Candelária and Vigário Geral 10 years on

Press Invitation

On Thursday 28 August, the day before the tenth anniversary of the Vigário Geral massacre, Amnesty International will be launching the report *Rio de Janeiro 2003: Candelária and Vigário Geral 10 years on* (AMR 19/015/2003). The Candelária and Vigário Geral massacres were carried out by Rio's military police in 1993 and caused twenty nine deaths of innocent civilians, street children and 'favela', shanty town dwellers. The report considers the aftermath of these two notorious human rights violations, and reflects on the situation - including rising numbers of police killings - in the city today.

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