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## @Journalism, a Dangerous Profession: Physical Attacks, Death Threats and Harassment of Journalists in Argentina

In the early hours of 30 August 1993 a firebomb exploded at the Radio station "La Tribu FM", a low-power community radio station in the neighbourhood of Almagro in Buenos Aires. There were no casualties but the resulting fire destroyed the entrance and windows of the station. No group or individual has claimed responsibility for the attack. Before the attack La Tribu FM radio station had been broadcasting information on juveniles' rights and campaigning against police edicts that are considered unconstitutional.

This was not an isolated incident. During the second half of 1993 there was a resurgence of violence against journalists in Argentina. In the recent past, hundreds of journalists and other press workers were assassinated or "disappeared" during the years of military rule. After the country's return to democracy, attacks, threats and other forms of intimidation against journalists continued to be reported (see Amnesty International: Attacks, Threats and Other Forms of Intimidation Against Journalists, Judges and Government Critics, AI Index AMR 13/06/91, August 1991). The Buenos Aires Press Workers' Union, Unión de Trabajadores de Prensa de Buenos Aires (UTPBA), claims that between March 1990 and August 1993 over 150 journalists received anonymous death threats or have been subjected to different forms of harassment.

Attacks and threats to journalists increased in 1993, particularly in the months leading to the October parliamentary elections. Between March and September 1993 the Argentine Press Workers Federation, Federación Argentina de Trabajadores de la Prensa (FATPREN), submitted to the Minister of the Interior a list of 105 incidents of threats and violence against journalists.

Among those attacked or harassed was journalist **Marcelo Bonelli**, radio commentator and columnist of the newspaper Clarín. He was beaten up by two unidentified men on 21 July on his way to a radio station in the Federal capital. On 6 August radio and television presenters **Magdalena Ruíz Guiñazú** and **Mónica Cahen D' Anvers** received anonymous death threats against their grandchildren, and **Graciela Guadalupe**, journalist of the daily La Nación, received death threats against her son. All the attacks were denounced to the authorities but to Amnesty International's knowledge nobody has been brought to justice for these incidents.

On 14 August seven journalists, among them photographer **Daniel Rodríguez** from the newspaper Clarín, were beaten up while President Menem was addressing the Rural Association, Sociedad Rural farm fair. The journalists were covering an incident, in which a member of the public who heckled President Menem during his speech was forcibly thrown out of the main stand, when they were attacked by a gang who shouted slogans in favour of the president. Three of the attackers were detained overnight in the local police station where a high ranking government officer reportedly sought to intervene on their behalf.

Following the attack on the journalists on 14 August, **Hernán López Echague**, a reporter of the Buenos Aires daily Página 12, published a number of journalistic articles exposing the links between the attackers of La Rural and political gangs loyal to leading members of the ruling Peronist party in the Province of Buenos Aires. In one of the most worrying examples of violence against members of the press, on 25 August, three days after the publication of the articles, Hernán López Echague was violently attacked by two unidentified men who were awaiting at the entrance of his home in Buenos Aires. The assailants hit Hernán López Echague over the head and slashed his face with a flick-knife while swearing at him.

Two men suspected of having been involved in the attack on the journalist were arrested on 30 August. After an identification parade, where Hernán López Echague failed to recognize his assailants among the individuals lined up, the two detainees were released for lack of evidence (falta de méritos).

Following this attack President Carlos Menem issued a statement deploring the incident and denied any government links, indicating that he had instructed the minister of the Interior Mr. Carlos Ruckhauf to conduct a thorough inquiry.

In September Hernán López Echague was subjected to a second attack. According to reports, in the early hours of the morning of 8 September, two unidentified men attacked Hernán López Echague in the streets of Avellaneda, Buenos Aires Province. He was hit over the head and forced into a car by three men while leaving a Bingo Hall where he was researching for a book. Allegedly, inside the vehicle the men continued hitting him with a blunt instrument and warned him that next time they would kill him ("La próxima vez te vamos a matar en serio"). After a short drive Hernán López Echague was dumped on a side street by his assailants.

Over the same period a number of journalists both in the federal capital Buenos Aires and in the provinces were also subjected to death threats and other forms of intimidation. Three days after the attack on journalists at the Sociedad Rural on 14 August, **Gladys Mondino**, journalist of the Radio Station FM Espacial in the neighbourhood of Ciudad Evita, locality of La Matanza, Buenos Aires Province, was warned in an anonymous telephone call to "stop pestering with your comments otherwise you will be brought down with bullets",

("diganle a Mondino que se deje de joder con los comentarios, si no la vamos a bajar a balazos"). A complaint regarding the threat was filed at the local 9th Police station.

Some of the threats against journalists were apparently linked with the attack on López Echague. On 27 August the TV presenter (TELEFE) **Laly Covas** was assaulted.

Reportedly, Laly Covas was interviewing Hernán López Echague outside his house when a corpulent man grabbed her by the scruff of the neck. The man tried to run away but was stopped by other journalists and subsequently arrested. It has been reported that he has a police record on petty crimes (prontuario policial por delitos menores).

On 26 August an anonymous phone caller reportedly told **Alberto Carlos Vila Ortiz**, the editor of the newspaper La Capital, from Rosario, Santa Fé province, that "besides yourself other journalists are sentenced to death because of their opposition toward the government" ("además de vos, están condenados a muerte otros periodistas por su posición frente al gobierno"). The caller reportedly named eight other journalists in his threat. Information published in the Argentine press stated that the Secretary of the Press Union, Edgardo Carmona reported that a few days earlier an anonymous call was received at the press Union asking for Alberto Carlos Vila Ortiz to be informed that he would be killed if he did not leave the newspaper.

On 27 August the Secretary General of the Buenos Aires Press Workers Union Unión de Trabajadores de Prensa de Buenos Aires (UTPBA), **Juan Carlos Camaño**, denounced having received several telephone threats in the early hours of 26 August. On the same day it was reported that **Jorge Jacobson**, radio journalist of Radio Continental was left a message in his answering machine by a group identifying itself as "Evita Capitana de Villa Las Ranas", stating that "it is going to happen like it happened to your friend, but for him we have only slashed his face, for you we will hack your head" ("te va a pasar como a tu amigo, pero a ese solamente le cortamos la cara, a vos te vamos a cortar la cabeza").

On 28 August the Argentine press informed that two journalists had reportedly received telephone death threats. A colleague of **Jorge Alonso** and **Diego Tonellier**, general editor and political editor respectively of the daily La Nación, was told by an anonymous caller to inform the two journalists to "stop pestering otherwise we'll make everybody fly" ("que se dejen de joder o les vamos a poner un aparatito que va a volar a todos").

On 30 August the Argentine Press Workers Federation, Federación Argentina de Trabajadores de Prensa (FATPREN), reported the attacks to the authorities and held them

responsible. They also stated that freedom of expression and the safety of journalists is in great danger in Argentina.

On 9 September the journalist of Clarín, **Daniel Santoro**, denounced to the 16th Police Station the death threats he had received through an anonymous telephone call and in a letter enclosing a dagger allegedly sent by an unknown arab group. Daniel Santoro had been conducting an assignment on investigative journalism related to possible collaboration between Argentina and Iraq in the construction of an Iraqi missile based on the Argentine made **Cóndor II** missile.

Because of the escalation of threats on journalists, the UTPBA called for a symbolic stoppage of half an hour and a demonstration opposite the presidential house on 10 September.

On 10 September President Menem appointed a special prosecutor, (procurador fiscal especial), to investigate the attacks against journalists. However, on 16 September, the President was quoted in the press as claiming that the attacks against journalists was "an occupational hazard", ("son gajes del oficio") and compared it to the killing of tourists in Miami. During a public speech in the Province of Santa Fé, in the same month, President Carlos Menem denied any links between his party and the threats. Members of his administration have also stated that it was a campaign to damage the government's image because of parliamentary elections scheduled for Sunday 3 October 1993.

Attacks and harassment of journalists continued after the 3 October parliamentary election. On 28 October at least five journalists were reportedly beaten by the police while covering a public demonstration. Among those beaten were cameramen **Alberto Albo** and **Hugo Fazio**, assistant cameraman **Miguel García** and TV reporters **Sandra Jacobson** and **Claudio Pérez**. According to reports, the incident arose when the police used force to disperse a march by pensioners trying to reach the National Congress.

When the march approached Congress, anti-riot police on foot charged against journalists and demonstrators while police drove their motorbikes against the crowd. In addition to the journalists, dozens of pensioners as well as 15 police officers were reportedly injured in the incident, although none of them seriously.

President Menem was reported as stating that while he was not seeking to justify the police action, he wanted to point out that the police had been insulted, spat at and had eggs thrown at them by the demonstrators. The President blamed the incident on agitators who had infiltrated the demonstration. The President also advised journalists not to get involved into brawls (*grescas*) and to be more than prudent (*que actúen con la prudencia más que necesaria*). The Minister of the Interior, Carlos Ruckauf, while also claiming that agitators infiltrated the march, condemned the police reaction. He pledged that an inquiry on the

incident would be opened and announced that three police officers were being suspended from duty pending the outcome of the inquiry.

On 11 November journalist **Mario Bonino**, who worked in the press office of the Buenos Aires Press Workers' Union, Unión de Trabajadores de Prensa de Buenos Aires (UTPBA), disappeared after leaving his home on his way to work. On 15 November his body was found in the waters of the Riachuelo river, in the suburbs of Buenos Aires. His death has been classified by the judge conducting the inquiry as "death in suspicious circumstances" ("muerte dudosa"). Forensic reports indicate that Mario Bonino was dead before falling into the waters of the Riachuelo river which suggests a possible murder. Although there is no evidence that Mario Bonino's death was related to his journalistic work in UTPBA, or that the authorities have any responsibility for his death, Amnesty International is concerned that it happened in the context of an ongoing campaign of threats and intimidation against journalists.

In the early hours of Sunday 14 November three unidentified people forced open the door of the headquarters of the UTPBA and beat up the nightwatchman with an iron bar. Later in the morning an anonymous woman telephone caller warned the union that "what happened to them in the previous night may happen again", ("lo que les pasó anoche les puede volver a pasar"). The nightwatchman was reportedly admitted to hospital for treatment of his wounds.

Amnesty International has welcomed information provided in late September 1993 by the Argentine Embassy in London, indicating that President Carlos Menem had nominated the Alternate Attorney General Luis González Warcalde as Special attorney to carry out the relevant investigations on the attacks of journalists and to ensure that those found responsible be brought to justice.

Although it is reported that investigations have been initiated on the first attack against Hernán López Echague and, according to reports, some of the journalists threatened have been offered protection by the authorities, Amnesty International is deeply concerned at the pattern of intimidation by unidentified people on members of the press allegedly for their investigative journalism or criticism of the government. Amnesty International believes that the authorities have the duty to ensure freedom of expression by thoroughly investigating all denunciations of threats and harassment against journalists, bringing to justice the perpetrators and effectively guaranteeing the protection of journalists and their families.

A R G E N T I N A		
PARTIAL LIST OF ATTACKS AND THREATS TO JOURNALISTS FROM SEPTEMBER 1992 TO NOVEMBER 1993 (The cases mentioned in this list have been presented to the Argentine Minister of Interior by the Argentine Press Workers Federation)		
NAME AND ACTIVITY	MEDIA	INCIDENT
CERRUTI, Gabriela and WORNAT, Olga (Journalists)	<u>Página 12</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires) <u>Somos</u> (Magazine, Buenos Aires)	Both women were attacked and threatened after publication of political articles
PATTERER MARTIN, Oscar (Editor)	<u>Semanario Meridiano</u> (weekly newspaper in Diamante, Entre Rios Province)	Beaten by unidentified people after publication of articles about political corruption
ASAMBUYO, Gerónimo (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio de Villaguay</u> (Radio Station in Villaguay, Entre Rios Province)	Anonymous written and telephone threats after programme related to the case of a "disappeared"
LOPEZ, Héctor (Journalist)	<u>La Capital</u> (Newspaper, Rosario, Santa Fé)	Explosives planted in his house
RODRIGUEZ, Eduardo (Radio Journalist)	<u>LT 9</u> (Radio Station, Santa Fé Province)	Attacked by unidentified people
CASTILLO, Mariano,	<u>LV 11</u> (Radio Station, Santiago del Estero)	Attacked by unidentified people

SERRANO, René (Radio Journalists)	Province)	
ACOSTA, Manuel (Journalist)	<u>Diario El Litoral</u> (Newspaper, Corrientes Province)	Attacked by provincial legislator
CARAM, Daniel (Radio Journalist)	<u>LT 7</u> (Radio Station, Corrientes Province)	Verbally attacked by politician after denouncing improper use of public funds
MONZON, Isidro (Press Photographer)	Press Officer Corrientes Province	Attacked by provincial government employee
TERMINE, Laura, (Reporter) VOLPE, Guillermo, (Photographer) CORVALAN, Ignacio, (Photographer) RIVERO, Carlos, (Photographer) ESCALOYA, Marcelo (Photographer)	<u>Semanario Noticias</u> (Weekly magazine, Buenos Aires)	Attacked by bodyguards while waiting to interview a politician (August 1992)
VALLEJOS, Omar (Journalist)	<u>Diario El Litoral</u> (Newspaper, Corrientes Province)	Beaten and verbally insulted while trying to take photographs of a road accident in which the son of a former judge had been involved
MARCALIAN, Ignacio (Television Journalist)	<u>Canal 13</u> (Television Channel, Buenos Aires)	Beaten while reporting public demonstrations
D ATRI, Raúl	<u>Diario La Arena</u> (Newspaper, La Pampa	Taken to court for refusing to disclose information

(Journalist)	Province)	sources
ELIZALDE, Victor (Radio Journalist)	<u>LT 9 Radio Victoria</u> , (Radio Station, Entre Rios Province)	Tried and sentenced for refusing to disclose sources. Sentence revoked by Appeal Court
VAZQUEZ, Enrique (Radio Journalist)		Sentenced for contempt of court (desacato)
VERBITSKY, Horacio (Journalist)	<u>Página 12</u> ( Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Sentenced for contempt of court (desacato)
LEZCANO, Carlos (Radio Journalist)	<u>FM Libertad</u> (Radio station, Santiago del Estero Province)	Harassed after reports about investigative journalism
VOGEL, Armando (Editor)	<u>El Candil</u> (Newspaper, Baradero, Buenos Aires Province)	Harassed after reports about political corruption (August 1992)
SANTIS, José (Editor)	<u>El Espejo</u> (Newspaper, Tandil, Provincia de Buenos Aires)	Threatened after reports about ill-treatment of conscripts in provincial garrison
ABELED0, Anahí (Journalist)	(former) <u>Diario Sur</u> , (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Tried for contempt of court (desacato) regarding information on investigative journalism
IGLESIAS, Florencio (Editor)	<u>La Capital</u> (Newspaper, Mar del Plata)	Threatened by a police functionary



SDRECH, Enrique (Journalist)	<u>Clarín</u> and <u>Channel 13</u> (Newspaper and TV Channel, Buenos Aires)	His house was sprayed with bullets by unidentified assailants
DIAZ BERTRAN, Juan (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio Rivadavia</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Threatened with a firearm by an unidentified person while covering pensioners demonstration
GUZZETTI, Ana (Journalist)	<u>El Cronista</u> (Magazine, Buenos Aires)	Threatened by unidentified people
SALINAS, Juan José (Journalist)	<u>El Porteño</u> (Magazine, Buenos Aires)	Threatened by unidentified people
GARADE, Omar PACHILA, Tomas Bernabé (Journalists)	<u>El Liberal</u> (Newspaper, Santiago del Estero Province)	Attacked by unidentified people
DIAZ, Dario, GALATI, Roberto, FACCHELLI, Fabian, GERMINO, Eugenio (Radio Journalists)	<u>FM</u> (Radio Station, La Boca, Buenos Aires)	Briefly detained at Second Police Station to answer interrogation on content of their programme
GRAJALES, Angel (Editor)	<u>Economía y Negocios</u> (Business magazine, Mendoza Province)	Tried for investigative journalism about the breach of labour agreements by provincial state bank

KELLY, Guillermo Patricio	<u>ATC - Argentina Televisora Color</u> (State TV Channel, Buenos Aires)	Attempt on his life with explosives
VIDAL, Armando (Journalist)	<u>Clarín</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Verbally attacked by President of the Chamber of Deputies
CASTILLO, Mariano Andrés RAMOS, Eduardo (Journalists)	<u>Nuevo Diario</u> (Newspaper, Santiago del Estero Province)	Shortly detained by provincial police after reporting incidents in Ciudad de Fernández
SALIM SAAD, Eduardo (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio Continental</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Beaten by unidentified people
DEL BOSCO, Alejandro (Sports reporter)	<u>Solo Fútbol</u> (Sport Magazine, Buenos Aires)	Attacked while reporting street unrest
SAGARZU, Rubén (Reporter)	<u>Crónica</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Attacked while reporting sports events
LUDUENA, Marta, CELLO, Miguel COLUSSI, Alejandro (Radio Journalists)	<u>LT 10</u> (Radio Station, Coronda, Santa Fé Province)	Threatened while investigating allegations of ill-treatment in Coronda Jail
GARCIA BELSUNCE, Carlos	<u>ATC - Argentina Televisora Color</u>	His TV programme was banned

(TV Journalist)	(State TV Channel)	
PAILLET, Eugenio (TV Presenter)	<u>ATC - Argentina Televisora Color</u> (State TV Channel, Buenos Aires, Programme "La Tapa")	Banned from programme after criticising government use of expenses abroad
NINCY, Mercedes (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio Mitre</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Beaten and verbally attacked while trying to interview a local government official
PELAEZ, Eduardo (Journalist)	<u>El Liberal</u> (Newspaper, Santiago del Estero Province)	Journalistic material related to investigative journalism and identification of the journalist requested for inspection by Provincial Court
LUNA, Alejandro, LOBO, Augusto, FUNES, Pedro (TV Journalists)	<u>América 2</u> (TV Channel, Buenos Aires)	Attacked by members of security service at Borda Hospital while trying to collect information
LANGELLA, Norberto, VON ECKENSTEIN, Román, GONZALEZ, Angel (Journalists)	<u>Crónica</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Beaten by members of Buenos Aires provincial police
ATIENZA, Alberto	<u>Radio Nihuil</u> (Radio Station, Mendoza Province)	Threatened with arrest and subjected to surveillance while collecting information on the arrest of a minor

GUTIERREZ, Eduardo (Journalist)	<u>Nuevo Diario</u> (Newspaper, Santiago del Estero Province)	Attacked by municipal civil servant
MIRANDA, Carmen Elsa (Radio Journalist)	<u>Eco del Norte</u> (Newspaper, Salta Province)	Detained, beaten and threatened under orders of the defense lawyer of the Procurator's provincial office. Attempts to confiscate recorded material collected by the journalist
CAPALBO, Daniel (Journalist)	<u>Somos</u> (Magazine, Buenos Aires)	Wounded with a firearm by unidentified assailant while covering a political demonstration
RODRIGUEZ CABANILLAS, Hugo (Journalist)	<u>La Red</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	His car was burnt because of his work on investigative journalism
VILA ORTIZ, Alberto Carlos (Editor)	<u>La Capital</u> (Newspaper, Rosario, Santa Fé Province)	Death threats from anonymous telephone callers at home and at the newspaper offices (August 1993)
DUCLOS, Carlos	<u>La Capital</u> (Newspaper, Rosario, Santa Fé Province)	Death threats from anonymous telephone callers at newspaper offices
MAURI, Omar (Radio Journalist)	<u>FM Chascomus</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires Province)	Death threats by anonymous written notes and telephone calls at his home
OLIVERA, Horacio	<u>Video Cable</u> - (Diamante, Entre Rios)	Attacked by member of provincial council

(Video Cable Journalist)	Province)	
MENEPACCE, Roberto (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio Boreal</u> (Radio Station, Resistencia, Chaco Province)	An unidentified person grabbed his baby daughter and threw her in the ditch by the roadside
TORRENGO, Carlos (Journalist)	<u>Diario Río Negro</u> (Newspaper, General Roca, Río Negro Province)	Attacked by provincial senator
MILLER, Alicia (Journalists)	<u>Diario Río Negro</u> (Newspaper, General Roca, Río Negro Province)	Harassed by President of Provincial Chamber of Deputies
ACUÑA, César SUAREZ, Ariel (TV Journalists)	<u>Dardo Rocha Cable Visión</u> (Cable TV, La Plata)	Attacked while reporting visit by Argentine President Carlos Menem to La Plata City
SAGASTUME, Jorge (Press Photographer)	<u>Diario El Día</u> (Newspaper, La Plata)	Briefly detained by police while trying to take photographs of transfer of a couple of detainees
LUDUEÑA, Marta TEPPER, Guillermo (Radio Journalists)	<u>LT 10 Radio Universidad El Litoral</u> (Radio Station, Santa Fé, Santa Fé Province)	Publicly threatened while broadcasting on the radio by anonymous person
BAIRO, Carlos Roberto (Press Photographer)	<u>El Clarín</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Attacked by witness of a police incident who destroyed the photographer's camera
NEUSTADT, Bernardo	<u>Tiempo Nuevo de Telefe</u> (TV Programme,	Threatened by former diplomat

(Political Journalist)	Channel 11)	
ALVAREZ, Fabian (TV Journalist)	<u>Aconcahua Televisión</u> (TV Channel, Mendoza Province)	Fired from his job following interview with Argentine President Carlos Menem
BIASATI, Santo (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio del Plata</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires Province)	Death threat by unidentified person (July 1993)
SUAREZ, Ramón César NAVARRO, Pedro (Journalists)	<u>Mi Ciudad</u> <u>Nuevo Horizonte</u> (Newspapers, Buenos Aires Province)	Death threats by unidentified people
BONELLI, Marcelo (Radio Commentator)	<u>Radio Mitre</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Beaten and injured in one eye by unidentified people when arriving at work (July 1993)
FEINMANN, Eduardo (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio Mitre</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous telephone threats on private answering machine
ESTEBAN, Edgardo (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio del Plata</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires Province)	Threats and warnings by unidentified people through the journalist's mother
GAVAZZA, Juan Pablo (Journalist)	<u>El Diario</u> (Newspaper, Santa Rosa, La Pampa Province)	Threats following TV programme based on his research into irregular use of public funds
FREGA, Horacio OCHOA, Miguel Angel	<u>LS 1 Radio Municipal</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous telephone death threats at their homes

(Radio Journalists)		
AVILES, Luis (Radio Journalist)	<u>LS 1 Radio Municipal</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous Death threats
GUZZETTI, Ana BRUCHSTEIN, Luis VERBITSKY, Horacio BIASATI, Santo (Journalists)	<u>Humor</u> (Magazine, Buenos Aires) <u>Página 12</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires) <u>Página 12</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires) <u>Radio del Plata</u> (Buenos Aires Province)	Their names were included in a list of future "disappearances"
CAMAÑO, Juan Carlos (Secretary General)	<u>Unión de Trabajadores de Prensa de Buenos Aires</u> (Buenos Aires Press Workers Union)	Anonymous telephone threats to stop denunciation on attacks to journalists (August 1993)
JACOBSON, Jorge (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio Continental</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous telephone death threats (August 1993)
RETORRE, Alejandra (Radio Journalist)	<u>FM Contacto</u> (Radio Station, Paraná, Entre Rios Province)	Anonymous telephone bomb threats and threats against her son's life
LOPEZ DUBOUR, Fernando (Radio Journalist)	<u>FM Del Bosque</u> (Radio Station, Lago Puelo, Chubut Province)	Threatened with firearms by unidentified people
CASTRO RUIZ, Osvaldo	<u>La Nación</u> (Newspaper -Correspondent in	Death threats by an unidentified woman to make him stop investigative journalism about provincial

(Journalist- Correspondent)	Chubut Province)	corruption
LORETI, Damián (Legal Adviser)	<u>Federación Argentina de Trabajadores de Prensa</u> (Argentine Press Workers Federation)	Anonymous telephone death threats related to denunciations on attacks to journalists
LATRECCINO, Eduardo (Journalist)	<u>Mbarigui &amp; El Territorio</u> (Magazine and Newspaper in, Misiones Province)	Death threats as a result of his investigative journalism into municipal corruption
JEREZ, Julio César (Radio Journalist)	<u>FM Fantasia 2000</u> (Radio Station, Isidro Casanova, Buenos Aires Province)	His house was sprayed with bullets by unidentified assailants
GENINAZZI, Ricardo (Radio Journalist)	<u>FM Fantasia 2000</u> (Radio Station, Isidro Casanova, Buenos Aires Province)	Anonymous death threats
NEUSTADT, Bernardo (Political Journalist)	<u>Telefe -Canal 11</u> (TV Channel 11)	Anonymous written death threats
ANCHART, Nora (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio América</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous telephone threats
RUIZ GUIÑAZU, Magdalena (Radio Journalist)	<u>Radio Mitre</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires)	Public threats on her grandchildren's life through Radio Continental's open telephone line (August 1993)



CAHEN D'ANVERS, Monica (TV Journalist)	<u>Canal 13</u> (TV Channel 13, Buenos Aires)	Public threats on her grandchildren's life thorough Radio Continental's open telephone line (August 1993)
GUADALUPE, Graciela (Journalist)	<u>La Nación</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous threats both at home and at work regarding her son's physical integrity (August 1993)
SAGASTUME, Jorge (Press Photographer)	<u>TV Selectiva</u> (TV programme La Plata city)	Beaten and threatened by unidentified people when gathering information on street vendors
MEJIA, Virginia LORA, Carlos MAZZOCHI, Gerardo RAMOS, Adriana RODRIGUEZ, Daniel (Journalists)	<u>Canal 13</u> (TV Channel 13) <u>Canal 13</u> (TV Channel 13) <u>FM Abierta</u> (Radio Station) <u>FM Abierta</u> (Radio Station) <u>Clarín</u> (Newspaper ) [all in Buenos Aires]	Beaten and threatened while covering President Menem's visit to the Rural Association farm fair (Sociedad Rural) (August 1993)
STRAGA, Daniel RODRIGUEZ, Jaime ROIG, Eduardo (Radio Journalists)	<u>FM País</u> (Radio Station, Morón, Buenos Aires Province)	Anonymous death threats following their programme on the investigation into the death of a person in custody in Moron Police Station
LOPEZ ECHAGUE, Hernán (Journalist)	<u>Página 12</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Attacked by unidentified men who slashed his face with a flick-knife following articles exposing links between gangs and members of ruling Peronist party

		(August 1993)
COVAS, Laly (TV Presenter)	<u>Telefe</u> (TV Programme, Channel 11, Buenos Aires)	Attacked by unidentified man (August 1993)
ALONSO, Jorge (General Editor) TONELLI, Diego (Political Editor)	<u>La Nación</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous telephone death threats through a colleague (August 1993)
LOPEZ ECHAGUE, Hernán (Journalist)	<u>Página 12</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Beaten and threatened with further attacks by unidentified men (September 1993)
MONDINO, Gladys (Radio Journalist)	<u>FM Espacial</u> (Radio Station, Buenos Aires Province)	Anonymous telephone death threats (September 1993)
SANTORO, Daniel (Journalist)	<u>Clarín</u> (Newspaper, Buenos Aires)	Anonymous telephone and written death threats
ALBO, Alberto (Cameraman) JACOBSON, Sandra (TV Reporter) PEREZ Claudio (TV Reporter) FAZIO, Hugo (Cameraman) GARCIA, Miguel (Assistant Cameraman)	<u>América 2</u> <u>América 2</u> <u>América 2</u> <u>ATC -Argentina TV Color</u> <u>ATC -Argentina TV Color</u> (TV Channels, Buenos Aires)	Beaten by police while covering a public demonstration (October 1993)

BONINO, Mario (Journalist)	<u>Press Office of Buenos Aires Press</u> <u>Workers'Union</u> (Union de Trabajadores de Prensa de Buenos Aires)	Found dead in the Riachuelo river in Buenos Aires. Death classified by inquiry judge as "death in suspicious circumstances ("muerte dudosa") (November 1993)