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The ACTS unreservedly condemn the brutal murder of seven innocent Tamil youths in Vadamaradchi, Jaffna, Northeast of Sri Lankan by the Sri Lankan security forces.

On Thursday, May 4, 2006, Sri Lanka Army soldiers opened fire and attacked with Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG) launchers two three-wheelers with seven youths inside, killing all of them on the spot.

The attack on the youths comes as the villagers were mourning the deaths of another two auto-rickshaw drivers who were killed recently by the security forces.

On average three to five people are killed each day in the last three months by the Sri Lankan state forces in the Tamil areas. According to the Nordic monitors, five Tamil students were killed in execution style recently by the Sri Lankan forces.

The killing of innocent Tamil civilians, journalists, Tamil activists, and members of parliament are on the increase again and rekindles the memories of 1983 pogrom. Mass arrest and disappearance seems to be the normal daily routine in the Tamil areas.

We urge the Canadian government and the International community to act fast and step up to exert pressure on the Sri Lankan government to stop this heinous act of killings, thus prevent the repetition of anti Tamil pogrom similar to the one took place in 1983.

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Sincerely, Miss. Majury Kailasapillai President ACTS 2006/2007

The Academic Society of Tamil Students (ACTS) is an organization consisting of students from Carleton University and the University of Ottawa. The ACTS promote and represent the educational interests of Tamil students through exchange of information on academic, social and cultural matters.

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