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Five more correspondents ordered out of Iran

Tehran, Iran (AP)—The Islamic regime of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini widened its crackdown on international coverage of the Iranian revolution yesterday by ordering 5 more foreign correspondents to leave, bringing to 11 the number expelled this month.

Islamic revolutionary tribunals executed 18 Kurdish rebels early yesterday in Kurdistan. Eleven others were executed Saturday during the latest uprising by Kurds seeking political autonomy.

Ali Behzadnia, the head of the foreign press section in the Ministry of National Guidance, gave no reason why correspondents of the London Financial Times, the British Broadcasting Corporation, L'Express of Paris and two unidentified German publications were ordered out of the country.

The correspondents were ordered to leave after the Ayatollah directed govern-

ment officials to act with renewed revolutionary spirit. Previously, the regime expelled reporters for the New York Times, and the Los Angeles Times and a four-member NBC-TV crew, for using material it said was unfavorable to the revolution.

Jerome Doumlin of L'Express said he was expelled for an article on executions and the political climate in the country. He said officials told him the article was "insulting to the revolution and the people of Iran."

The official Iranian Pars news agency reported that firing squads executed 18 Kurds convicted by revolutionary tribunals of "corruption on earth and fighting against God and his prophet."

Thirteen of the Kurds were shot in Paveh on the spot where government troops died last week fighting the rebellion, Pars reported, and five were taken to the city of Kermanshah for trial.