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COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (CP) — A suicide bomber at a crowded May Day parade killed President Ranasinghe Premadasa and at least 11 others yesterday. Police suspected Tamil guerrillas, but a rebel spokesman denied involvement.

The assassination — eight days after a leading opposition politician was slain — could plunge the war-torn island country into political crisis.

The assassin, who had explosives taped to his body, was riding a bicycle and crashed it into Premadasa, 68, before detonating the bomb, state-run TV reported.