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Moscow Couple Detained Over Murder Spree Targeting Homeless

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A coupe in Moscow targeted homeless people and alcoholics, stabbing them to death in vacant lots and other deserted places.

A couple in Moscow has been arrested over a brutal killing rampage in which at least seven people — many of them homeless — were murdered, Russian media reported Friday.

A 20-year-old man and his 25-year-old female accomplice are suspected of carrying out the murders from July 2014 to February 2015, Yulia Ivanova, a spokeswoman for Moscow's Investigative Committee, was cited by Interfax news agency as saying.

Investigators have reason to believe that the suspects may have committed another five murders, Ivanova told Interfax.

The killers targeted homeless people and alcoholics, stabbing them to death in vacant lots and other deserted places.

The man has confessed to seven murders and told investigators he and his girlfriend had been

''cleansing'' the city of people on the fringes of society, LifeNews website reported, adding that the female suspect is refusing to cooperate with the investigation.

The suspects were tracked down after they allegedly stabbed a street cleaner in the early hours of Feb. 15, LifeNews reported. The man survived the attack and was able to give a description of his assailants to the police.

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