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**IRAQ TO PROSECUTE 43 POLICE OFFICERS IN CONNECTION TO KILLING OF PROTESTERS**

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Dozens of Iraqi police officers will face prosecution this month, accused of shooting anti-government demonstrators at mass protests in early October, government officials told The National on Tuesday.

At least 400 have been killed and thousands wounded since Iraq's mass rallies against corruption, lack of jobs and services began at the start of October.

About 140 them were killed and 4,200 wounded in the first five days, an official report said.

The news of the widening probe comes two days after the first two officers were sentenced for their part in protesters' deaths.

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