

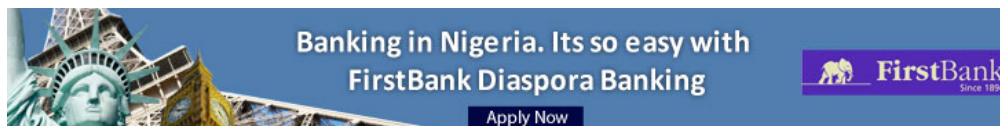
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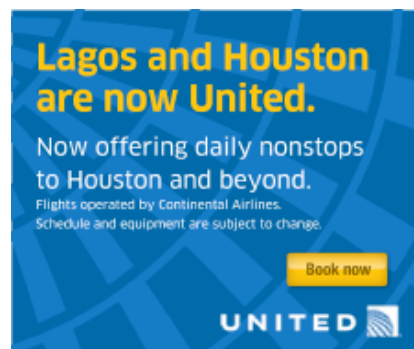
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By GODFREY BIVBERE

LAGOS – Two residents of Sonibare Peace Estate, Iba, Ojo Local Government Area of Lagos State, said to be pensioners have died, since officers of the Nigerian Army started demolishing houses in the estate. The two pensioners, whose houses were affected, were said to have died on Sunday and yesterday morning.

While one, a 67-year- old man was said to have died last Sunday, the other pensioner, said to be in his early 70s, reportedly fainted Tuesday night, but was revived. By Wednesday morning, when the officers continued, he was said to have given up the ghost.

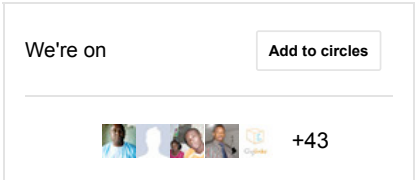
The army had stopped the demolition on Saturday following protests by the residents, but yesterday, the officers returned to the estate, with more armed men and two bulldozers to continue from where they stopped days earlier.

No fewer than 80 residents of the estate had on Saturday blocked LASU-Iba-Isheri Expressway for over three hours between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m, in protest against the demolition of their houses by the officers from the Ojo barracks.

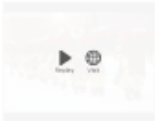
Trouble, it was gathered, started two days earlier, when army officers from the barracks came to the estate and started beating residents, marking houses and telling occupants to pack out within 24 hours. On inquiries, leaders of the estate were told that a two-year-old son of an officer was kidnapped from the barracks about three weeks ago and had not been seen since then.

A week after the boy was kidnapped, a five-year-old daughter of another officer was kidnapped from the barracks, but was found few days later with some body parts missing. The estate leaders told Vanguard that the army had accused residents of the estate of being responsible for the kidnap of the children.

When Vanguard visited the estate, yesterday, no fewer than 100 houses had been brought down by the army



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bulldozers. Families were seen moving their belongings out of their homes before the arrival of the bulldozers. Most of the families, who were confused, complained that they had no where to lay their heads for the night.

When Vanguard contacted one Colonel Amaka, said to be the Commandant of the barracks, he said he was on the road and had not reached the barracks. He added that he could not comment on the issue, directing our correspondent to speak with officials of the army Headquarters in Abuja.

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transparentboy

this is the height of inhumanity, Nigerian Army nor go kill us for dis country.

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goonig

I dont believe the kidnapping incidents to be the reason for the demolition of this houses , possible on land allocated to the army this houses are constructed but who sold the land to the buyers ? the land registration with which authority ? in corrupt society instability backwardness in progress sudden deaths policy implementation rule of laws non functional get rich quick anyhow all leads to all this evil deeds .

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nesle_bird

there's nothing you cannot hear about this nigerian!
army, police and even nevy force, they thought that once your are force nothing the happens again for their side they can kill you punished you, taken laws into their hands, lets forget if this news was not completed yet, but since i was born in nigerian our forces were taking advantages of citizens, i wonder if they killed all citizens whom shall they rules???

they were meant to protect us and to kill us or shows their force training over us,, which other countries in the world never tolerate and can never happen, the laws of nigerian was only meant for the poor citizens, while they leaders who implemented the is free from our laws.this kind of country will never be my country in my next generation to come..

whether the land belongs to army base or kidnapping, it should never gonna be solved by that way of army behaviors., just tell me when nigerian government will learn how to build houses for the poor??

if not citizens would have be falling into the hands of ogogolo drunkard the army force and nervy. and police idiots.shame to nigeria.idle and ocultist nation.

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Delta_Quagmire

Fashola Fashola fashola: his hands are now all over the place, carrying out the biding of his master Tinubu by destroying home, building illegal toll-gates and supporting gangsterism

and lawlessness.

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boogunm

Wake up and read the story!!!

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Dmandied60

Delta_Quagmire:

You and Fashola !!!!! so na
Fashola sent the goons in uniform
to go bulldozed poor citizen's
homes at the Estate ? You just
can't resist the opportunity or the
urge to accuse this man (and Bola
Tinubu) of every thing that wen't
wrong in Lagos. Sssshhhh This
is "classified information" don't tell
anyone ... Fashola was the one
who shot Archduke Ferdinand of
Austria and started World War I.

That man Fashola !!!!! Don't even
talk about Tinubu ... he's the one
who fired the 1st shot that started
the Nigerian Civil War. Don't you
know ?

Give it a rest the piece was
about out of control wild devil may
care members of the Nigerian
Army taking laws into their own
hands as usual demolishing
people's homes because they are
ABOVE the laws (?) of Nigeria.
How did Fashola and Bola Tinubu
orchestrated this injustice ? how ?

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nuelsymbol

Is Nigeria turning to be another Somalia?.Meanwhile this report failed to indicate who is the owner of the Estate. Is it owned by Individual,Lagos State,Federal and or,Army Authority ?. Whatever may the case , the action taken so far, is Barbaric enough.

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Ajagbini

This story in its entirety shows that, intelligent agencies(SSS,etc,) are not at the top of their responsibility as far as thorough investigation is required.This, secondly posit, or rather reiterate that government at all level is dysfunctional and the peasant is not cared for.Nevertheless,this means the Nigeria army is a conglomerate of miscreant, and brigands,that have mediocres at the helm of affair,but the worst of all is that we have president that is intimidate by his subordinate, push to the wall and can not act on salient issues, and leaving matters that needs exigency intervention in consternation.

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John Stephen

chukwuemeka01 my brother just be objective ones in you argument and stop being biased minded, what the stupid army did was FLAT OUT WRONG. We all know the history of Nigerian army how they take laws into their hands, just have an argument with a soldier who is your neighbour in Nigeria and you will pay dearly for it, you might even be killed in the process. However, even if citizens trespassed on their property, they have no right to

demolish and destroy homes of already suffering citizens, atleast there are appropriate channels to go about it, they could have gone to court to enable them investigate the matter before taking action. Does it mean that anybody could just wake up and accuse his neighbour of a trespass, why do we have the courts for, are they there for nothing?

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as long as corruption is not arrested everything will go

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