

MASSOB alleges death of 760 members in Onitsha crisis

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THE Movement of the Actualisation of the Sovereign State of Biafra (MASSOB) has said it lost about 760 of its members in the recent Onitsha, Anambra State crisis.

The group also blamed the Anambra State government and the joint military/police patrol squad for the deaths just as it called for the intervention of the international community.

MASSOB made this known in a statement on Wednesday in Awka, the state capital, by its Assistant Director of Information, Mr. David Mac David.

He maintained that the group was mourning these members who included men, women, one of them pregnant and children.

David said the number of the dead was got from data of the slain throughout the state during the crisis.

He also called on the international communities and lovers of peace to intervene.

He contented that though MASSOB members were crying and mourning for their slain compatriots, the group maintained that it would never be intimidated by its enemies.

"For our heroes, you are gone but never forgotten. Tell our past heroes that the struggle continues", David said, pledging that they would never leave any stone unturned until their dream was realised.

David, however, called on members, particularly in Onitsha, not to retaliate in the interest of peace no matter the extent of provocation.