

# Gunmen kill expatriate, two others in Rivers

**SUSPECTED** sea pirates yesterday killed one foreigner and two Nigerians who were travelling to Bonny Island in Rivers State.

The gunmen, whose identity and motive could not be ascertained, also injured six other passengers while robbing them.

The Rivers State Police Command and the Marine Police have begun investigation aimed at unravelling the identity of the attackers.

A source at the Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG) on Bonny Island told *The Guardian* yesterday that the victims were rushed into the company's emergency clinic last night.

"We were at the clinic where suddenly we saw several ambulances driving in at lightening speed. People told us that gunmen attacked the victims. The ones who survived are currently (yesterday night) receiving

*From Kelvin Ebiri,  
Port Harcourt*

urgent medical attention. I saw three dead," he said.

Rivers State Commissioner of Police, Mr. Felix Ogbaudu, who confirmed the incident last night, told *The Guardian* that the victims were workers of Hyundai Heavy Industry who were travelling from Port Harcourt to Bonny.

"The boat left Port

Harcourt in the evening for Bonny. Just a few minutes away from Bonny, they were attacked. One expatriate whose nationality I am yet to ascertain was killed alongside one service man. I cannot say for now if he is a policeman or Navy man," he said.

Ogbaudu disclosed that the gunmen, who also dispossessed the victims of all their valuables, critically injured six oth-

ers.

As at the time of going to press, no group has claimed responsibility for the attack.

## Liberia won't try Taylor, says Sirleaf

**T**HERE are no plans by the Liberian government to try the country's former president, Charles Taylor, over atrocities while in power.

This was disclosed on Monday by Liberia's first

Gunmen who took five Chinese telecommunications workers in Emohua, Rivers State two weeks ago are yet to release them.

tional community have criticised her for being slow to ask for Taylor to be extradited last year from Nigeria - where he was in exile - to Sierra Leone, where he was charged with backing rebels who burned villages.