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Two Die In Auto Crash, As FCT Residents Celebrate Sallah

The Federal Capital Territory (FCT) was in a festive mood on Monday as residents celebrated Id-el-Fitri festivities.

The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that gaily-dressed celebrators milled around the city as they exchanged visits.

They had earlier converged on the Airport Road Id-el ground for the prayers attended by President Umaru Yar'Adua, among other dignitaries.

Traffic was chaotic in areas close to the prayer grounds, such as Sani Abacha Barracks, Airport Road, Nyanya and Kubwa Roads due to indiscriminate parking of vehicles.

The festivities were, however, marred by a ghastly motor accident in which two men died.

The vehicle, conveying the men, who were said to be on their way to supply drinks at Mpape, a suburb of Abuja, reportedly crashed into a parked earth-moving machine at a construction site near the NICON junction.

Sunday Oghenekaro, Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) Head of Operations at the FCT Sector Command, told NAN that the driver and his boy lost their lives in the accident.

Oghenekaro said the vehicle with registration number XK 925 JJJ, was conveying empty crates of beer when the accident occurred.

"The driver was on full speed and the bus ran into a stationary construction vehicle.

"The motor boy fell off the bus and died instantly, while the driver died inside the bus," Oghenekaro said.

He said their bodies have been taken to Maitama General Hospital, adding that the vehicle was damaged beyond repairs.

Ugochukwu Ukwuoma, who claimed to be working in the deceased's company, told NAN that the two had supplied drinks to the company's customers at Mpape and were returning to offload the empty crates in the Durumi area of Abuja.

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The Federal Government's decision to build new refineries and petrochemical plants, as disclosed recently by the Minister of State for Energy

Op-Ed/ Comments

Dear Moses...

On the swivel chair at the centre of the room, he sits innocently like a chick under the flappy wings of the mother hen.

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Respect is earned. It is never successfully lorded over others. Few leaders appear to

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Three weeks ago, the United States of America mourned as they commemorated the 7th Anniversary of the September 11 terrorists attack in their country.

Columnist

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Hi pals, happy Independence Day Celebrations! It is one of the paradoxes of this country that there is no defined way to mark this ritual

Candour's Niche Nigeria At 48: So Far, How Far?

On Wednesday, October 1, 2008, Nigeria will mark the 48th anniversary of its independence from the erstwhile colonist, Great Britain. That anniversary is tomorrow.

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As I braved the benumbing cold on Friday afternoon to walk down Rhodes Street which terminates at the major road demarcating the waterside and that part of

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It is no longer news that an enterprising hacker with a wicked sense of humor used the email address of the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) to broadcast a hoax "news scoop" regarding a purported plan by President Yar'Adua to resign from office shortly after reconstituting the Council of Ministers.

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There has recently arisen a controversy between the two neighbouring states of Bauchi and Yobe over the construction of Kafin Zaki Dam

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