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## Kidnappers kill one Nigerian, still hold three Dutch

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**One** among the three Nigerian hostages, Paul Seiblei, who was abducted together with three Dutch nationals, has been found dead.

While two of the Nigerians namely, Sunny Ofehe and Femi Soewu, all based in The Netherlands, were released on Monday evening, the corpse of Seiblei was found floating in Letugbene River.

A community leader, Ajosibeowei Job, who is the secretary in Letugbene community, confirmed to newsmen in Warri on phone, saying the corpse has been deposited at the morgue of Warri General Hospital.

“One of three Nigerians that were kidnapped with the three Dutch nationals was found floating in our town river. We have made arrangement to convey the corpse to deposit at the Warri Central Morgue to allow the police to carry out proper investigation into the circumstances of his sudden dead. We found that he may have been shot before being thrown into the river.”

Meanwhile, the whereabouts of the Dutch nationals were still unknown as the time of filling this report, but it was gathered that the Joint Task Force (JTF) has been

combing the creeks of Bayelsa and Delta states in a desperate bid to secure the release of the foreigners.

While narrating the incident, Ofehe said they were taken to a location different from where the Dutch nationals were taken.

“On Sunday May 4, about 4:45pm, a group of heavily armed gunmen, suspected to be Niger Delta militants, attacked our speed boats carrying my delegation from The Netherlands, which included Mr. Erhard Leffers, Mrs. Marianne Vos, Mr. Jan Andre Groenendijk and Mr. Femi Soewu, two journalists from the Warri chapter of the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ), Messers Joe Ogbodu and Theophilus Onojeghen of the National Mirror and some leaders of the communities”, he said.

Ofehe said the incident occurred while returning to Warri after a successful tour of the newly built Chevron-facilitated GMOU Hospital.

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