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Members of #BringBackOurGirls (BBOG) group in a protest march, demanding the rescue of the Chibok school girls in Abuja. PHOTO BY OYEDELE OMOKAGBO

## 'Rescue Of Chibok Girls Will Be Consolation For Our Dead Members'

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The #BringBackOurGirls (BBOG) group has called on the federal government to ensure that the Chibok girls are rescued and soonest too, as this would serve as a consolation to the families of all those who have lost their lives, fighting for the rescue of the Chibok girls.

Speaking during the sit-out of the group, while mourning the death of one of its members, Mubarak Sani, a member of the group, Nkeki Mutah stated that the deceased and many others who had stood for the abducted Chibok girls had stood for a worthy cause which would have been fulfilled if the Chibok girls had been rescued.

In a tribute to late Sani, the group in a statement stated that she was a gentle and calm

spirit who relentlessly fought for truth and justice.

It added that she longed to see the abducted Chibok girls reunited with their families adding that she yearned for a just and equitable Nigeria with equal opportunities for all.

"It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our movement's family member Mubarak Sani, yesterday 6 March 2016, in a road accident on Kaduna-Abuja Road. She was buried according to Muslim rites."

"Muba (as we call her) was one of our movement's most passionate advocates. Her gentle and calm spirit belied her relentless fighting spirit and passion for justice. Among other things, she longed to see our Chibok girls reunited with their families. She yearned for a just and equitable Nigeria with equal op-

portunities for all. She fought hard for a better Nigeria.

"Indeed, yet another soldier fighting for the soul of Nigeria has gone home. Today Muba may be no more alive, but she will forever be remembered for all she did for humanity. She quietly but surely made a difference in those she encountered. Her contributions will never be erased or forgotten.

"Again, the worth of life is not necessarily in its longevity but in impact, and value added. We are inspired by her life example. She was calm, kind, and caring. Her warm presence and consistency will be sorely missed, but surely never forgotten.

"She is survived by both parents, siblings and other relations. May Almighty God give her family and the #BringBackOurGirls family world-

wide the enablement to bear this loss," it said.

Recall that the group had lost one of its staunch member and strong advocate, Elvis Iyorngurum who died on October 14, 2015, at Benue State University Teaching Hospital, Makurdi.

Iyorngurum's death coincided with exactly 18 months of captivity for over 200 school girls of Government Secondary School, Chibok, who were abducted in their school by Boko Haram terrorists on April 14, 2014.

Other members of the group who had died in the cause of the struggle include, a journalist, Bilkisu Yusuf who was a strong advocate in the group. She died during the Hajj stampede in Saudi Arabia and late Senator Ahmed Zanna, who was also passionate about the abducted girls.