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Aladja/Ogbe-Ijoh crisis: Again, one beheaded, teenager abducted

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EIGHT days after the shot and headless body of one Samson Bebebo was discovered on the disputed land between Aladja and Ogbe-Ijoh communities in Udu and Warri South West local government areas of Delta State, another person has been shot and beheaded in a renewed feud.

In what appears as retaliatory, some Ogbe-Ijoh youths were alleged to have, on Saturday, shot dead and beheaded a 34-year-old man, identified as Oghuvwu Kingsley from Aladja.

Bebebo, a 40-year-old man, who fell victim December 3, hailed from Ogbe-Ijoh even as his headless body is still at the Warri Central Hospital morgue for investigation.

The vengeful youths were also alleged to have abducted a 14-year-old yet-to-be identified teenage girl along College Road in Aladja community.

Earlier on Saturday, there were reports that some hoodlums, while attempting to invade one of the warring communities, had a crossfire with the mobile policemen keeping vigilance at the disputed land.

Metro gathered that scores of women and children sustained varying

degrees of injuries while several properties including buildings and cars were destroyed during Saturday's mayhem.

Scores of men and women were said to be evacuating the communities for fear of being caught in the web of more reprisal attacks from youths of both communities.

Meanwhile, an indigene of Aladja community, Comrade Ighotegwolor Bezi has appealed to the Delta State Government to rescue his people from the hands of Ogbe-Ijoh and Isaba communities.

Also, Chief Monday Keme from Ogbe-Ijoh, who alleged that the Nigerian Navy was colluding with

Aladja against his people, called on the Federal Government to come to the aid of his people and find a permanent solution to the impasse.

Commissioner of Police, Delta State, Mr Zanna

Mohammed, told **Metro** on Saturday that respite would soon come, as the state government and security agencies were working round the clock to settle the age-long boundary dispute.

Security challenges in North East addressed —Chief of Air Staff

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THE Chief of Air Staff (COAS), Air Marshal Sadique Abubakar, has said that the security challenges in the North east have been substantially addressed, except for suicide bombings which occur from time to time, which he described as tragic and unfortunate.

Air Marshal Abubakar also disclosed that the Nigerian Air Force (NAF) was prompted to acquire Super Mushshak primary trainer aircraft from Pakistan Aeronautical Complex (PAC), and collaborate with Russia over military equipment in line with the outcome of threat analyses in the country.

He made this known last



The Chief of Air Staff, Air Marshall Sadique Abubakar, being received by the Commander, Air Force Detachment, Ibadan, Oyo State, Air Commandore Emmanuel Akinbayo (middle) at the Ibadan Airport on Saturday. PHOTO: OLUWATOYIN MALIK.