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Hotel deserted as seven die in Delta accident

March 30, 2012 by Emmanuel Addeh, Warri [33 Comments](#)

Seven employees of a new hotel along the Ozoro-Asaba Expressway, Ellu, in [Isoko North Local Government Area](#) of Delta State, were killed in a road accident on Wednesday.

The hotel said to be owned by a man nicknamed

Oduduyekeyeke was deserted as the news of the death of the seven men, including the hotel manager, broke.

An eyewitness said the accident occurred around 8pm about a kilometre from the hotel.

The vehicle conveying the employees was said to be returning from a sensitisation rally organised by the management for the newly employed workers when it ran into a stationary lorry, killing seven out of the eight passengers in the bus.

A source in the family of one of the deceased said the death of the boys from Ozoro was “suspicious”.

He alleged all the boys that wore the hotel branded T-shirts died, except the one who refused to wear the shirt.

However, it was learnt, that the hotel management attempted, with the help of middle men, to quietly negotiate for compensation over the death of the boys, a move which the deceased families rejected.

The Ozoro Divisional Police Officer, Godwin Dagbar, a Chief Superintendent of Police, confirmed the accident, saying the vehicles involved in the accident had been moved to the police station.

Meanwhile, the leadership of the Niger Delta Youth Movement on Thursday condemned the killing and violent crimes in Delta State.

The group lamented the kidnap of the Warri Area Manager of PPMC, Mr. William Enoch, and the death of a security aide attached to him.

In a statement by the National President, Mr. Godspower Odenema, the group urged all youths involved in violent crimes in the state to stop forthwith.

It said, “It is with great sadness that the leadership and entire members of the Niger Delta Youth Movement condemn the kidnap of the Area Manager of the Warri PPMC and the killing of his security aide.

“It is high time the people of this region that are still involved in such anti-social acts stopped it because such acts as kidnapping, pipeline vandalism, shutdown of oil well, illegal bunkering and all other acts portray this region in a bad light.”

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• **JOE** March 30, 2012 at 3:27 am

why are u mixing up two different stories together. The accident is unfortunate but certainly not part of the violence or kidnapping.

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○ *Total Truth* March 30, 2012 at 7:17 am

Thanks for your observation. Not only in this account but some other reports by our press men you will see quackery twined perfectly with their reports. Poor governance, poor education, poor training, poor journalism!

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○ *Emeka* March 30, 2012 at 8:50 am

The laziest press I have seen they are Ctrl+C-Ctrl+V experts do not expect much from them

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● *Wellington braide* March 30, 2012 at 4:37 am

@JOE, I was a little confused myself but I think inspite of the mistake, that we should use every opportunity to condemn these evil and dastardly acts of kidnapping, armed robbery, ritual killing, hostage taking for ransom that our youths are engaging in. Many are fleeing the region especially Delta and coming to other areas. I know of 2 families who recently fled the region and are now living near us. The governments of the region need to know that they are failing the people.

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Akpoji Emmanuel March 30, 2012 at 6:53 am

The accident may have been a mistake from both drivers but anything in Nigeria is possible and also 80 percent believable.

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God'spower March 30, 2012 at 7:33 am

Evil reports from evrywhere: north, east, south n west, No where is safe anymore on this planet except in Jesus Christ. The name of the Lord is a strong tower the righteous run into it and are saved, Proverbs 18vs10. As for me n my household we would serve d living God n no disaster shall come near my dwelling. Amen.

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barry March 30, 2012 at 7:46 am

you people will continue killing until there will be no one to kill and you'll kill your self... look at how you people are behaving like boko

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Mai Suyya Man March 30, 2012 at 10:06 am

Yes Boko haram in da north. While rapping,kidnapping,cultism,armed robberies and rituals killing all reigned in da south south,south east and south west wow! What an observation. EVERYBODY SHULD PADDLE HIS OWN CANOE.

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• *Dave* March 30, 2012 at 7:59 am

Thanks Joe, u are quite learned i must say to have blinked an eye over that poor journalism. However, i must register my deepest sense to the families of the bereaved. Judgement lies in God's hands and he alone can vindicate the hapless from the wicked!

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• *Easyflow* March 30, 2012 at 8:44 am

It is obvious that oduduyekeyeke killed those innocent human,but let me tell him that one of them is a member of New Believers Mission(N:B:M) by name Onome a.k.a Cheasea and sooner or latter the church shall fight back...

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○ *eru j* March 30, 2012 at 9:18 am

Do you have facts to prove your case or you are just speculating? Nigerians are their beliefs and religions!

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The Truthe Sayer March 30, 2012 at 8:49 am

mmmmmmmmmm, may the souls of the departed rest in peace. If na man dey responsible, im too na dead meat but if na accident, God go intervene for the repose of their souls. Na so I see am ooooooooooooo

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Obiajulu Oba March 30, 2012 at 8:58 am

Yes. Why mix up 2 stories together. Very unprofessional of PUNCH

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musa March 30, 2012 at 9:38 am

it is very possible that those people where killed for rituals i think is a lesson to us, do not put on t-shirts out of ur will when u are given for any reason, most time listen to ur inner mind

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○

Henro March 30, 2012 at 11:58 am

Were do u work? I know u have no job, if u do, u should have ur company's branded T shirts,

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Temblor March 30, 2012 at 9:38 am

Pls PUNCH, can u explain how u arrived at a conclusion to term this death a 'killing?' Our opinions does matter. We dont simply swallow hook line and sinker.

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Ebere Desmond March 30, 2012 at 9:50 am

Abi,the man don use dem do blood money.odudukeyeke.

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Dr homat March 30, 2012 at 9:52 am

@temblor thank 4 that observation 'die or kill ' death or killing. Punch u are grammatical unregistered .

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Henro March 30, 2012 at 9:56 am

It's so painful that some of de people we call press men are educated fools, just look at de mess he made of punch, missing reports like a primary 5 pupil u so called Emmanuel Added.

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• *chonko* March 30, 2012 at 9:58 am

haba it was an accident. how do you proof that because they were wearing the hotel's branded t-shirt that's why they died. what abt if the driver was drunk or sleeping on the wheel.its regrettable but is has happened

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• *Abbas Zaria* March 30, 2012 at 9:59 am

These Money Haram of southern part of this country are doing well. Pls, continue your task until the Southerners finish.HAHAHAHAHAHA!!!!!!

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○ *Oshilim* March 30, 2012 at 10:15 am

Abbas Zaria. we in the south dnt kill get that to ur small boko haram head

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○ *tony* March 30, 2012 at 10:23 am

@abbas u are an ingrate, this is an unfortunate and a very serious thing and u are here laughing, is it becos ur family member is not one of the victims? comon man wise up! that`s why nigeria is still like that and even the nigerians abroad are so scared to come

home.....IDIOT!

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- *jolly papa* March 30, 2012 at 10:31 am

how can the owner of a hotel kill his workers and expect to stay in business-kidnapping in delta state can only end with the creation of Aniomama state

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- *ekedi* March 30, 2012 at 10:37 am

Fellow countrymen, we all know that satan exist. but not everything we should blame satan. If the stationary lorry was not parked on the highway, I think the accident should not have happen. the cause of the accident may be because of the parked lorry. The road sefty should wake up to their responsibilities. It is very unfortunate for young boys , the strength of this country to go in such manner.

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- *shine-eye* March 30, 2012 at 11:05 am

BEWARE! Not because there is no work around then you must run into employment of any oduduyekeyeke! Believe it or not, there is more to this life than what the bare eye sees. Fools ignore this to their own peril. Do a

little investigation about a prospective employer before you fall into the hand of an oduduyekeyeke. Your full life is more valuable than a temporal employment.

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• *Sunday Dawodu* March 30, 2012 at 11:07 am

I don't think there is any need for confusion in this story. The use of "meanwhile" at the beginning of a new paragraph suggest that the writer wants to bring in another story but wishes to link it with the earlier story because of some subtle similarities in the stories. Meanwhile is an adverb meaning during the period of time or relating to the period of time between the two events...

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• *Impala* March 30, 2012 at 11:58 am

I lived in Delta state for many years and was alarmed at the backwardness of their collective thinking and analysis of simple matters. Among many tribes there, a person does not die without someone else being directly or remotely responsible for his death. A lot of innocent people have been punished or have died because of this jungle way of reasoning. No insult is intended here but I will tell two stories to illustrate my point.

I have attended a burial ceremony of a man who died by accident in Lagos. To my alarm, a man and a woman were captured by the youths, accused of killing the man

and many other indigenes by witchcraft. They were thrown into the open grave and were being harassed and stoned by other villagers. I left the ceremony in a hurry and cannot say what eventually became of them. At another time, i was driving past the PTI Junction, Effurun only to see a crowd gathered around two women, one a mere teenager, malnourished with a protruding belly. They were accused of witchcraft. The teenager was accused of stealing another woman's pregnancy. I was amazed. I tried to save the teenager and queried if a scan or xray would reveal a baby in her belly. The crowd was becoming hostile to me so I left. On my way back in the evening, I saw their corpses there. The suprising thing is that even the so called enlightened oned are not free from this way of reasoning. Now back to the story, I'll not be suprised if this hotel owner is held responsible for the death of his workers by car accident Until these Delta people start reasoning in a civilised way, the place is still a jungle. Sorry.

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• *ID Ukabunwa* March 30, 2012 at 12:03 pm

It may be that the driver of the bus was driving under the infulence of alcohol. I urge the families to work with the police for them to know what lead to the death of seven of them.

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• *jingi* March 30, 2012 at 1:00 pm

Why was the hotel management negotiating quiet compensation over the death of the boys?

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• *Bello Abiola Samuel* March 30, 2012 at 1:16 pm

Just like the accident that claimed the lives of those individuals, the mix up story above is an accidental discharge that has claimed the live in journalism. Some professional journalist who have gone must be turning in their graves by now. This reporter has successfully sent journalism to its untimely burial. Having said that, the accident that claimed the lives of those people should be investigated. We should bear in mind that diabolism cannot be established in the law court but there is one great and mighty God that will justify everything. The dead cannot talk but the living must fight on. May their souls rest in peace. Let every diabolic rich and powerful men read Eccle 1:1-11 and see what God has for them. The society we are gave birth to this unprecedented system we find ourselves. Kidnapping, millitancy, Boko-Haramisy, arm robbery and just to mention a few, are all borne out of this lopsided society where we have the super-rich, very rich and greatly poor Nigerians. I am in the Niger Delta as we speak and I can tell you that as a Nigerian you will cry to see under-underdevelopment where we are milking the wealth of the nation. This region and many other parts of this country needs both physical and divine intervention. These boys do see how an individual even from these Niger Delta acquire wealth meant for the masses to themselves. Projects re-awarded over the years with previous budgetted sum

disappearing into thin air. It is not too much for this country to pay every individual #30000 monthly from the dividend of oil windfall. It is not out of place, just like other oil rich countries. In Kuwait, citizens do not pay electricity bill, medical bill, subsidized housing and to cap it all, everyone from age one earns \$7,500.00 dollars (US) without working for it. That is just one example. Nigerians need leaders that will sit in the senate to appropriate and pass bill that will benefit us not looters. GOD HELP US. Until we have that egalitarian society the system will continue to get worse.

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• *Gabriel Okon* March 30, 2012 at 1:27 pm

Voodoo voodoo and more voodoo, that's what most business men believe in Naija. May the innocent souls RIP. Imagine the only survivor who refused to wear the evil T-shirt, God was on his side.

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• *felicia* March 30, 2012 at 2:06 pm

its only in Niger delta that a contractor handling community development project will be made to pay a certain amount to the youths and chiefs before installing power transformer, street solar lights or even road constructions in their community, this is a sign of LAZINESS.

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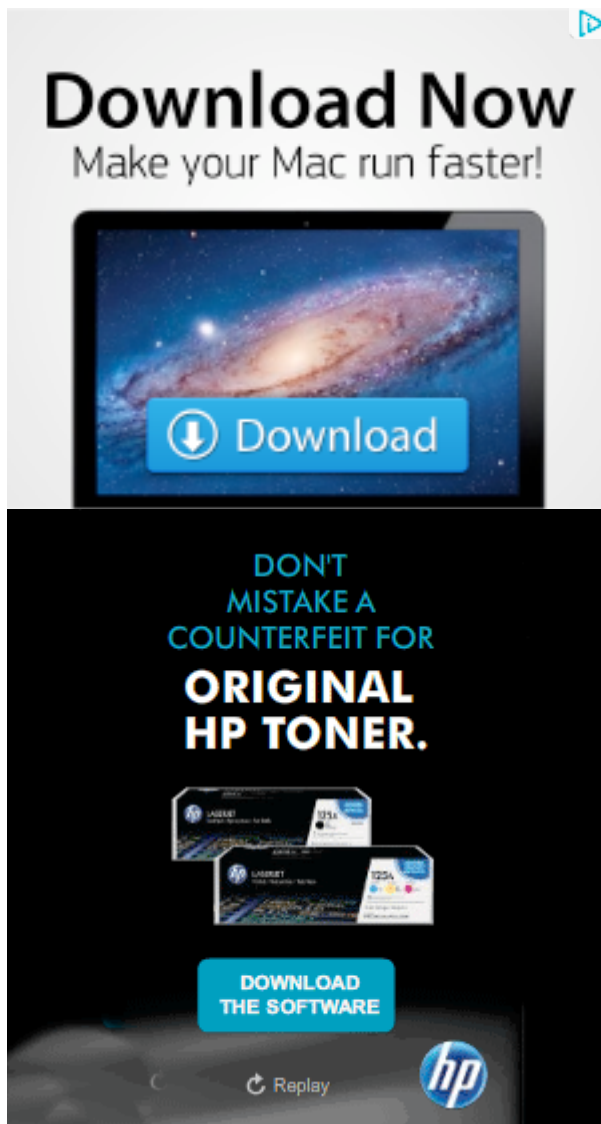
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