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October 14, 2012 by JUDE ONWUAMANAM [20 Comments](#)

Another four people were killed and four others seriously wounded in the early hours of Saturday when some gunmen invaded three villages in Riyom Local Government Area of Plateau.

Two people were killed in Rakung in Riyom, while another two were killed in Gurando near Kura Falls; all the incidents happening simultaneously in the wee hours of Saturday.

The latest incident brings to more than 20, the number of people killed since last Wednesday in Riyom and Barakin Ladi local councils in a fratricidal violence that had pitted the Fulani herdsmen against their Berom hosts.

Saturday killings came on the heels of heightened tension in Riyom on Friday, when more than 2000 women of Berom extraction took to the streets to protest the killing of a woman by gunmen suspected to be Fulani herdsmen.

The woman was allegedly waylaid and killed on her way to the farm. Her death was said to be a reprisal for Wednesday's killing of a Fulani man by some suspected Berom youths.

Weekend travellers to and fro Abuja were stranded for many hours as the women blocked the road.

They waved leaves, chanting that soldiers must leave. It took a combined team of mobile policemen and soldiers attached to the Special Task Force to disperse the women, but they resisted all entreaties to leave the road.

Tension had been building up in Riyom and Barakin Ladi since Monday following sporadic attacks on the natives by some suspected Fulani herdsmen.

When contacted, STF Spokesman, Capt. Salisu Mustapha, said he would get back to our correspondent, but at the time of filing this report, he was yet to do so.

However, in a statement signed by Lt. Kingsley Egbo, on behalf of Mustapha, he said tension started building up in the area last Wednesday when some unknown gunmen attacked Sara village in Riyom, killing a 75-year old woman.

Similarly the following day, a family of eight was murdered by some gunmen in a remote village near Makera, while two other people were killed at Jol, all in Riyom.

Then on Thursday, a skirmish erupted between the Hausa and the indigenes when members of the Izala sect decided to rebuild the failed portion of a praying ground contrary to security advice.

The repaired portion was later demolished by some Berom youths which led to a brawl between them. In the process, a man was beaten to a state of coma.

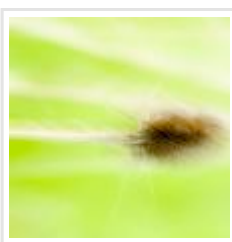
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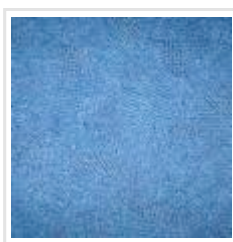
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- *Nick* October 14, 2012 at 12:31 am

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Sorry not becoming, but it is a failed state.

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- *GCFR d' 1st* October 14, 2012 at 6:19 am

One killing too many.

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- *Namarka* October 14, 2012 at 6:33 am

If u want to ba kidnap go to south, if u want to be robe go to south if u want to be dupe go to south. Watchout

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• *Abbe Mik* October 14, 2012 at 6:55 am

Punch nig. Useless news men \$ reporters of onesided report. I have been following ur reports for so long \$ i came to understand that u morons suport or favour some tribes \$ religion to others. E.g on plateau crises, if Berom people attack fulanis u always said unknown people but if it is in the other hand u always said suspected fulani herdsmen. Punch be very careful with ur nonsense reports b4 it is too late for u to do so.

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• *el khalif* October 14, 2012 at 7:19 am

I dont knw how and why berom ppl think they can eliminate d fulanis,when at least a clan of theirs has its origin frm d fulanis?

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• *ghengi lawal* October 14, 2012 at 7:34 am

why are fulani causing trouble wherever they find themselves. The plateau, Benue, Taraba, adamawa, kogi, Ogun, oyo, enugu, abia, kwara, Niger, kaduna, bauchi. These are all states where there has been one killing or the other involving Fulanis. Their leaders need to bring them in the 21st century through farm steads instead of pastoral system which breeds conflicts. gone

are the wilderness of old where pastoral system works.

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- *Bigoje* October 14, 2012 at 8:00 am

I want gowon to fight d war against d fulanis while pa awolowo come up wit a policy to starve dem to death.Hahahahahaha.Gud mornin nigeria!Dis is jst d beginin.

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- *Uchenna* October 14, 2012 at 8:06 am

Hmmm, what are these people of jos extraction up to again? why has peace eluded them? and who is to be blamed on this one, the beroms, or the fulanis? may God help you guys over there to find lasten peace, amen.

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- *O j* October 14, 2012 at 10:35 am

His peace, He has taken away from the north,HIS grace is about to depart completely from Nigeria.let us seek His face now

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James4st October 14, 2012 at 10:45 am

Gowon, jeremiah usensi and the theory of awolowo is the only weapon 4 both berom and fulani war and nt the federal govt system. Is there anyother way?

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jpsy October 14, 2012 at 11:19 am

God bring peace in plateau and let their enemy be destroyed.

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oke October 14, 2012 at 2:25 pm

God please save this nation from distruction.

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Musa October 14, 2012 at 5:21 pm

Gown is death. we will kill Yakubu Gowon and Ty Danjuma. this people are powering chrstians middle belt against us. time will tell

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NZE CHUKWU October 14, 2012 at 9:43 pm

@MUSA, YOU ARE ONE OF DOES IDIOTS WE HAVE IN NIGERIA TODAY BUT ANY WAY GOWON AND HIS PEOPLE ITS PAY BACK TIME I WILL QUICKLY PAY YOU BACK NO VANQUISH MO SURRENDER UNA CARY GO.

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- *suleiman gar* October 15, 2012 at 4:47 am

May God bring an end to this menace. Ameen.

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- *Akhabue* October 17, 2012 at 4:59 pm

Numbers 35:33 “Do not pollute the land where you are. Bloodshed pollutes the land, and atonement cannot be made for the land on which blood has been shed, except by the blood of the one who shed it

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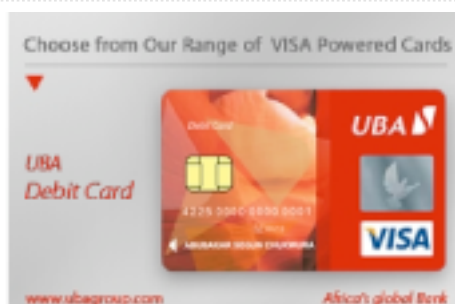
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