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Map of Bakassi

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No fewer than five Bakassi natives, who resisted forcible eviction from the ceded peninsula, were allegedly killed by Cameroonian military authorities.

Chairman of Bakassi Local Government Area of Cross River State, Dr. Ekpo Bassey, who confirmed this on Tuesday, also said those in the camp for displaced persons had swelled to 1,800.

He said recent onslaught occurred over the weekend when the Cameroonian gendarmes opened fire on defenceless Bakassi natives at Efut Obot Ikot, a settlement in the peninsula where they preferred to stay.

He lamented that scores of Nigerians, who had initially settled in Efut Obot Ikot community and its environs, following the ceding of the peninsula, had become victims as the Cameroonian authorities had continued to forcibly evict them.

The council chairman alleged that the Cameroonian authorities stormed the settlement, beating women and setting houses belonging to Nigerians ablaze, while those that resisted arrest were either maimed or killed.

Bassey said following the forcible ejection, the council decided to temporarily camp the displaced Bakassi natives at Akwa Ikot Edem Primary School in Akpabuyo.

He appealed to the Federal Government to urgently intervene in an impending epidemic as the health of 600 children had been exposed to hazards.

He said, "We strongly appeal to kind-hearted individuals, Nigerian government and foreign agencies to look into the plight of women particularly the identified 600 Nigerian children whose health has been endangered as a result of the forcible ejection of their parents from their traditional homeland in the Bakassi peninsula."

Speaking on their plight, a spokesman for the displaced people, Chief Etim Asuquo, said the Cameroonian authorities started the eviction on March 7, accusing them (Bakassi natives) of militancy.

Asuquo said many people were arrested and taken away by the Cameroonian authorities, pleading with the Nigerian government to intervene so that they could go back to their communities.

At the Akpabuyo camp, three women had been delivered of babies with the third coming in the early hours of Monday from Mrs. Mary Archibong.

Red Cross officials told our correspondent that besides the newly born there were about 30 babies in the camp.

The official, who pleaded anonymity, said they were worried by the poor sanitary condition of the environment and lack of potable water which he feared could lead to an epidemic.

But speaking at the refugee camp on Tuesday when the State Emergency Management Agency presented some relief materials to the people, leader of the Bakassi people, Senator Florence Ita-Giwa, said there was a need for the Federal Government which recently set up a committee to resettle the people of Bakassi, to expedite action on resettling them at Dayspring.

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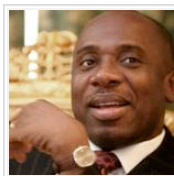
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keeping nigeria one is a mask that must be kept ceding bakassi, if nigeria is one why cede bakasi.

A fool at forty is a fool forever, but we the SS are fools at 100.

say no to one nigeria.

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MOSES → slaw • 3 months ago

Good for the SS people. The devil u know(BIAFRA) ARE BETTER THAN THE ANGEL (NIG) U DONT KNOW. U are just but fools, cos if to say this oil were to be deposited in the North by now Nig would have been divided long ago. But bcos of ur perpetual hatred for the Igbos, see how your Nig has ceded u out cos ur lives mean nothing to them. This is just the beginning. UP ONE NIGERIAAAAAA!!!

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El realista → MOSES • 3 months ago

Actually, it is the other way round. The Evil, naija that you know is better than the Angel, Biafra that you don't know. I said this because no one knows how Biafra will end up. people talk about their right to self determination without thinking about day 2 in Biafra. have you considered exchange rate, basic social amenities, international trade, and travel, citizenship, international recognition, food, and so forth? Oh, the North is bad, but day 2 in Biafra means that the food that comes from the North will be imported to Biafra.

While you guys rally around the dream of Biafra becoming a reality, think about how life will be in Biafra. Besides Tanzania, Gabon, Côte

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d'Ivoire, Zambia and Haiti that recognized Biafra in 1967, how many will recognize her this time around? Time for some history lesson, and setting some realistic expectations.

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**Anglo** → MOSES • 3 months ago

Keep quiet, if Biafra was founded in truth and equity it would have gained the support of the south south people and succeeded.

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**abiiodun johnson** → slaw • 3 months ago

Bros, If Nigeria breaks, Igbo people will enslave your people again, and unlike the last time when Yoruba warriors rescued your ancestors from slavery to Igbo, we won't this time, we will let them finish the job this time.

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**mikkyduff** → abiiodun johnson • 3 months ago

See the Returnee Portuguese Slave running his diarrhoeal mouth at the Calabars

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**abiiodun johnson** → mikkyduff • 3 months ago

Ha ha ha! My "suffused" blog wife is following me around again. Hi mikky.

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**Anglo** → abiiodun johnson • 3 months ago

Shut up Abe, when the time comes we will know who is under slavery, or have you forgotten that Kwara a Yoruba community is under slavery?.

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**one love** → abiiodun johnson • 3 months ago

ur comment is arrogant,beware of thugs.

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**chiuwagi** • 3 months ago

Obj. What is in your mind,how do you feel and what reason or excuses will you give, seen the citizens of this country been killed and displaced of their places.

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**El realista** → chiuwagi • 3 months ago

Ever heard of the International Court of Justice? But wait, how is this OBJ's fault when this issue was clearly determined by the ICJ?

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**growthengine** → El realista • 3 months ago

The world powers including France, wondered and asked Nigeria why it brought the ccase to ICJ in the first place. Perhaps we should have left it the way Abacha was handling it, which was one thing Abacha did well, he stood up to external pressure for Nigeria. OBJ failed there, and I doubt OBJ would cede an inch of Yoruba land whether ICJ or not, just another tribal leader like the former Attorney General who supported the ceding. If we were regional, or OBJ respected our lawmakers and democracy, he would have first sought permission from the house or the region concerned before starting any legal case that affects them as a people. Egotistic Arrogant Soldier like Buhari. Or tell me you didn't learn what happened at OBJs last birthday ceremony, where the Bakassi issue was revealed.

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slaw • 3 months ago

@abiodun johnson there will be no enslavement, i dont think you love us morethan we love ourselves dont use enslavement as an excuse, where do you stand? I believe your people can rule themselves. Where do you stand?

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El Ekwu • 3 months ago

Obasanjo started this mess when he signed away Nigerian territory to tiny and equally corrupt Cameroun. He has gone to live lavishly at Ota Farm, faraway from these pitiful disaster. He should start the rescue of a people displaced from their territory and livelihood.

There are dozens of border conflicts around the world and they remain in a stalemate. Why did he hastily abandon Nigerians to the brutality or Camarounian forces? He only cared for his legacy as a peace maker in Africa but he is no Mandela.

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gabby • 3 months ago

Abiodun you are just an Animal!!!

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slaw • 3 months ago

@abiodun johnson, lekan,concern, femi pedro,@all yorubas stand up and be in the front line say no to one nigeria, be decisive and stop the pretence. We all know that there is no love among us, why the pretence?

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abiodun johnson → slaw • 3 months ago

Oh no! We love you as much as you love us, stop crying.

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Fresh prince of kalakuta • 3 months ago

left for me I think the natives of bakassi should be able to decide where they want to be, fuck the international court who are they to decide where anyone belongs to, why let a white man decide on this kind of issue. theyre all bunch of pigs. Africa Arise

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Abua, xsheet • 3 months ago

If only u had a good understanding of d indivisible even number called NIGERIA , u wouldn't pour out d trash u r pouring out of ur mouth,.be sensitive

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slaw • 3 months ago

@abiodun johnson the civil that was fought was not aim at the liberation of the ss but at nigerians interea because nigeria solely depends on ss and se to feed. If it was to liberate ss why then cede bakasi?

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slaw • 3 months ago

@olayori you moslems are always afraid of seperation. Why? Dont worry about how biafra or we ss will fed, that is non of your business just say you too shy to openly defend your interest.

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El realista → slaw • 3 months ago

You can educate the rest of us by answering some of the questions that I asked. How will Biafra feed her people when they secede? You obviously have no understanding on where the food comes from in Naija. Imagine what it will be like when you have to import tomatoes, onions from "the boko Haram people" in dollars because you have to trade internationally for a product that used to be readily available in the past. Or imagine when you have to get a visa before you go to Lagos, or Abuja. how are you going to determine who is a Biafran? is it by the family name, place of birth, or what? what will happen to

Bakassi is it by the family name, place of birth, or what? What will happen to the businesses, and properties of the ibo people that live in the West, or Northern Nigeria? you let them go to waste? You can play the religious card if you want to, but the more you ask yourself these questions, the better it will be for those calling for Biafra.

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**slaw** • 3 months ago

@moses, fool is understatement. I have lived in the north and if not for the ibos the ss would have been completely taken over by the north. Part of sw have been compromise by their moslem brother.

Moses lets forget about the bitterness of the civil war, it was a mistake now is our time lets put our heads together to liberate ourselvez from jihadist. If is not boko haram is relegious riot. Killing is killing.

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**slaw** • 3 months ago

@abiodun johnson your super obj ceded bakasi as if bakasi is not part of nigeria. Now you want GEJ to do what? Stop the pretend we all know that we are not one join the campin say no to one nigeria. Say no to one nigeria. Stand in the front line.

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**abiodun johnson** → **slaw** • 3 months ago

OBJ had no choice but to honor the documents Gowon signed on Bakasi. Do you actually know the history of Bakasi?

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**squarek** → **abiodun johnson** • 3 months ago

That does not excuse his signing up to be bound by a judgement that is not binding by international law even before the case was started. The convention is a discretionary right to accept or decline that court's judgement and it is common knowledge that the judgements are usually biased as they tend to be tainted with the politics of veto power that is the exclusive right of the five permanent members of the united nations security council. If Isreal can ignore and rebuff all the judgements against it, why should Nigeria be playing saint because we had an idiotic president playing to the gallery?

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**squarek** • 3 months ago

Our useless political figureheads are so inept that they have not been able to resettle the people of Bakassi even years after ceding their land and homes to the Camerounians. Right fro OBJ to GEJ all we have seen is an unacceptable contempt for the plight of the Bakassi People. What is so difficult in resettling this people? after all a lot of money was appropriated for their resettlement. It is time Nigerians begin to deal with these idiotic leaders in the only language they understand - make them personnel non grata pan Nigeria, that will mete out the same treatment the Bakassi people have been facing to these stupid lot.

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**mikkyduff** → **squarek** • 3 months ago

We will soon have a Tamil Tigers on our hand apart from Boko Haram insurgents

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**squarek** → **mikkyduff** • 3 months ago

about time too

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**Ugochi Uzukwu** • 3 months ago

The issue of Bakassi is a sensitive one notwithstanding if Nigeria Government still believe in playing international politics with this issue & fearing of France been the

super power behind the Cameroon. We will continue to experience this killing. A responsible government will not wait until it's citizens are killed and maimed before taking action. However, this is what Nigerians want.

Uzukwu Ugochi Christine,  
100 Level, Mass Communication,  
Caleb University, Imota.

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**JACOB** → Ugochi Uzukwu • 3 months ago

infact u talk as if there is a govt in your Nigeria. SS people am sorry cos if you have brain like malam you should have known that u mean nothing to Nig if not you oil. I bet you the day that oil will finish u will see the true colour of the north. U ss people like one Nigeria abi? HAHAAHAHAHA then dont complain.

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**Adenola Hakeem** • 3 months ago

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**onyearmy** • 3 months ago

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**Man Kind** • 3 months ago

May the gentle soul of the innocent victims RIP. Many more are been slaughter every now and then. The. Blood in the land will be seeking. For justice. Whose is next?. Every body is watching, but no body is talking nor doing.

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**abiodun johnson** • 3 months ago

Would the slaughter of these women and children happen If OBJ or Buhari is the current president?

While it is true that Nigeria ceded the peninsula to Cameroon, but why kill women and children that are Nigerians, why not arrest and deport them?

Anything and everything is acceptable under Jonathan's regime, no one have any fear or respect for Nigeria under this administration, not even our next door neighbor Cameroon.

In case you wonder what I would have done in response to this massacre, I would have launch a fight without fighting by massing Nigerian troops along the Cameroon border without firing a bullet, just enough show of force to send shock waves and panic to all Cameroonians and their government, but I know our commander in chief will simply live up to his name as commander-do-nothing.

RIP to the deceased.

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**Ojukwu** → abiodun johnson • 3 months ago

your ota ape ceded bakassi first with the murder of Biafrans secondly as a civilian president.

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**abiodun johnson** → Ojukwu • 3 months ago

Bakasi was Gowon's mistake, not OBJ.

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**mikkyduff** → abiodun johnson • 3 months ago





Playing the Blame Game as usual

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**mikyduff** → abiodun johnson • 3 months ago

Why is the lousy Yoruba bigot so insensitive?

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**squarek** → abiodun johnson • 3 months ago

OBJ can not do jack. He ceded Bakassi to Cameroun after all. He is just as useless. And stop advocating a Buhari Presidency they are all yesterday's people GEJ inclusive. We need a new order in the country and that can only be brought about by a new generation of radical leaders.

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**abiodun johnson** → squarek • 3 months ago

Ceding Bakasi and killing Nigerian women and children are two different issues, can you comprehend what you read at all? Look if the slaughter of your people in Cameroon is fine with you, then sorry I cared.

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**squarek** → abiodun johnson • 3 months ago

Is it not the ceding of Bakassi to Cameroun that exposed Nigerian women and children to the barbaric actions of the Camerounians? You can not divorce the consequence from the root cause

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