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One killed, property vandalised as angry miners invade Niger estate

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Suspected bandits have ordered the residents of M.I. Wushishi Estate in Minna, the Niger State capital, to vacate the estate or get killed.

The bandits suspected to be miners in the capital were said to have invaded the estate when most of the male residents had gone to work, breaking cars and windows of houses.

A resident, who pleaded

anonymity, said the attack came after residents had gone to report the matter at the neighbourhood police station.

The resident said, "Hoodlums we suspect are miners in the neighbourhood have asked all the residents of M.I. Wushishi Housing Estate in Minna, the Niger State Capital to vacate their homes or get killed.

"These guys invaded the community in broad daylight, breaking window glasses; several cars were also damaged. You will know that the attack came after residents reported to the police how illegal miners in the community had caused damage to our homes.

"These guys told us that they were coming for us and they actually came. They came after most men had gone to work. Many top civil servants, including directors and permanent secretaries, live on the estate.

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