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3 missing, 500 displaced in renewed Ebonyi/Cross River boundary dispute

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three persons were reported missing while 500 others have been displaced in a renewed boundary dispute between the people of Ochienyim, Ndiagu Amagu in Ikwo Local Government Area of Ebonyi State and Adadama community in Abi Local Government Area

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of Cross River State.

The community leader of Ochienyim Ndiagu Amagu, Peter Azuegu, stated this yesterday when Ebonyi State Deputy Governor, Dr. Kelechi Igwe, visited the area to ascertain the level of destruction in the renewed violence.

He accused the people of Adadama of secretly killing the people of Amagu through ambush.

Azuegu alleged that indigenes of the area, including

Sunday Ujebe, Nte Anyigor
Omar and Christopher Ogodo, were shot dead and their
corpses missing when the
community was invaded on
June 4 2015. He added that
scores injured, as a result of
the attack, were receiving
treatment in various hospitals.

He lamented that their economic trees and other valuables had been destroyed due to the protracted crisis while school children had been forced out of

schools in the area following insecurity and lack of funds to cater for them.

The deputy governor commended the people for not taking laws into their hands as a result of the attack and called on the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to come to the aid of the people.

Assuring the people to remain calm, he said security had been beefed up in the area to check further attack on the community.