

# Terrorists kill 5 abductees in Kaduna

•Vow to kill more if ransom not paid

From **Sola Ojo**, Kaduna

**THERE** is palpable fear among the residents of Kaduna, especially those in Angwan Bulus in Chikun Local Government Area of Kaduna State, following the discovery of the lifeless bodies of five kidnapped people, including three from Angwan Bulus.

About two weeks ago, the bandits had attacked the Angwan Bulus community which is a part of Kaduna city, where one of the locals was killed, and then went away with several others even though that was not the first of such bloody attacks in neighbouring communities like Juji, Angwan Gimbiya and Sabo GRA.

What is not clear to many residents in the state was the boldness and audacity of the attackers having to cross a dual carriage highway behind Kaduna Refinery and Petrochemical Company (KRPC) on several motorcycles, repeatedly without a matching challenge from security operatives in the area.

A credible source in the area who confirmed the development told Daily Sun that the bandits had called their community contact to go to a particular location at Dutse village, along the Kaduna-Abuja Highway, to pick up the three corpses belonging to Angwan Bulus community, due to failure to pay ransoms placed on their heads.

"The bandits called earlier yesterday, saying that they have killed three of the people they kidnapped from Angwan Bulus and told us where their bodies were dumped.

"The terrorists called last evening and said since we refused to pay the ransom, we

should go to a location and carry the corpses of our people.

"Before we got there, we learnt that police had already evacuated the bodies and deposited them at Saint Gerald Catholic Hospital, Kakuri, Kaduna. We were at the hospital last night to confirm that.

"The terrorists made further threats that if the community and families fail to pay the ransom by tomorrow evening (Tuesday evening), they should go to the same spot and carry another set of corpses.

"Right now, we are confused. We don't know what to do. We have sold all we ever worked for to appease these people, but they want more. We are appealing to the federal and state governments to

come to our rescue to save the remaining people in captivity," the source said in tears.

Spokesman for the Kaduna State Police Command, ASP Mohammed Jalige, confirmed the unfortunate development via a telephone call. I received phone calls from some people this morning that three bodies were found at Dutse village somewhere in the bush. The corpses were evacuated

to Saint Gerald Hospital. We are trying to talk to the area commander to ensure the safe return of those who are still in captivity," he said.

In the same vein, eight out of 20 people who were abducted in Idon town, Kajuru local government area of the State have been released by their abductors after spending about two months in captivity.

"They were released on Sunday after ransom was paid.

They said we need to bring additional ransome before they can release the remaining 12 people. We have reported the recurrence of bandits attacks in Kajuru and Kachia to higher authorities, but they have not done anything concrete to stop the attacks. As we speak, there are several others in the kidnappers' den apart from these 12 people," another source who spoke in confidence said.

## 5 wedding guests kidnapped in Anambra

From **Oblinna Odogwu**, Awka

**GUNMEN**, on Monday night, abducted five people in Udo village, Akpo in Aguata Local Government

Area of Anambra State.

The victims reportedly attended a wedding ceremony and were on their way back when the criminals got hold of them.

A short message credited

to the Commissioner for Special Duties in the state, Sly Ezeokenwa, indicated that the kidnap victims attended a traditional marriage ceremony hosted by the commissioner's cousin. It further indicated that the ugly incident happened at about 10pm.

"They were kidnapped at gunpoint at about 10pm last night, in Udo village, Akpo (Aguata LGA) along Akpo - Nkpologwu Road about 300 metres to Akpo Junction. We are yet to establish any contact with the victims," the message partly read.

Police Public Relations Officer in the state, DSP Tochukwu Ikenganyia, confirmed the sad development, but said that police had started making efforts to free the victims.

"The command has already made contact with the Commissioner for Special Duties, Mr Sly Ezeokenwa, and we are hopeful the abductors shall make contact with the family members or friends.

"Meanwhile, operation is currently ongoing for possible rescue of the victims unhurt," the PPRO said.

## Sex scandal: Police interrogates Chrisland head teacher, parents, others at SCID

•NAPTAN urges LASG to counsel, rehabilitate female pupil

By **Gabriel Dike**

**AS** reactions continue to trail the sexual misconduct of pupils of Chrisland Schools, Victoria Garden City (VGC), Lagos, the Lagos State Police Command has directed the head teachers, concerned parents and other interested parties to report at the State Criminal Investigations Department (SCID) for interrogation.

The invitation was extended to Mrs. Georgie Azike, Chrisland Schools, VGC, parents of the female and male pupils involved in the immoral act in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officers (PPRO), Benjamin Hundeyin, said all parties involved in the case had been asked to report to SCID Pantl yesterday, for in-

terrogation.

He said those invited to the SCID Pantl were expected to write statements and face interrogation from officers assigned to handle the case.

Meanwhile, the National Parents Teachers Association of Nigeria (NAPTAN) has described as unfortunate, the trending sex video of Chrisland Schools pupils engaged in sexual misconduct last month in Dubai.

The Deputy Vice President of NAPTAN, Chief Adeolu Ogunbanjo, while reacting to the sex tape, blamed the school management and parents for what took place in United Arab Emirates last month.

Despite the suspension of the culprits, Ogunbanjo appealed to counsel and rehabilitate the female pupil. He also urged that her name be

kept sealed because she is still a minor.

He said the parents should take 60 percent of the blame while school gets 40 percent for what transpired in the United Arab Emirates.

He said: "If the parents had trained them well, the pupils would not have engaged in the immoral act.

"Parents don't have time for their children; they dump them at school and expect teachers to train them. Even when they are at home, parents hardly monitor the children."

Ogunbanjo faulted the school for not monitoring the pupils while on the trip and wondered how the female student sneaked into the boys' room.

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