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② Bayelsa: Panic as gunmen storm Atlantic Ocean, kill 1 fisherman, abduct others

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GUNMEN at the weekend struck at the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Brass Local Government Area of Bayelsa State, killing one person and abducting an unspecified number of fishermen.

According to sources, the incident has thrown the Brass Island into panic as many fishermen are now afraid to go to the Atlantic Ocean to fish.

The gunmen were said to have ambushed the fishermen in their boats, killed a male fisherman, kidnapped others

while a few managed to escape.

"We don't know the number of fishermen that were kidnapped. All we know is that one of them was killed while others escaped with injuries. The attack on fishermen is becoming too frequent," a source in the community, said.

The lawmaker presenting Brass Constituency One in the Bayelsa State House of Assembly, Hon. Danile Charles condemned the attack on the innocent fishermen who are only out to eke a living.

He called on the government at all levels and the security agencies to intervene and curb the incessant attacks on the people.

"The attack on fishermen living in Twon Brass has become a regular occurrence that needs to be stopped urgently," Charles said.

When contacted, the police in the state said that the matter has not been reported to the command.

kidnapper, Dogo Oro, killed by vigilantes

cording to Usman, had been serially perpetrating terrorism in Bunza local government, kidnapping innocent villagers and demanding ransom.

Usman noted that "in an attempt to kidnap his victims using bows and arrows, and shooting at them, the vigilante shot him dead."

He said that with the successful operation by the local vigilantes, the residents of the communities would now go about their normal business activities unhindered with the security of their lives and properties guaranteed.

While applauding the gallant efforts of the vigilantes in supporting other security op-

eratives, Usman also appreciated the unending support of Governor Nasir Idris Kauran Gwandu, in making sure that the security challenges being experienced in some areas of the state were critically addressed.

"The Kauran Gwandu-led administration is on its toes to keep Kebbi people and their properties safe. He maintains regular security meetings, regular logistic support to the security personnel; he set up a combined a security task force team comprising all the security agencies in order to address banditry and all forms of criminality in the State," he explained.