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Nigeria Gunmen Storm Oil Ship - Two Dead, Four Kidnapped-BBC

Posted: August 4, 2012 - 18:28



By BBC News

Gunmen in Nigeria have stormed a Dutch oil barge off the coast, killing two Nigerian navy sailors and kidnapping four foreigners, a naval officer says.

The navy has joined the search for the gunmen off the Niger Delta. Two navy sailors, among a group providing security, were wounded in the raid.

The foreigners are from Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia and Iran.

Attacks in the Niger Delta have declined since a 2009 amnesty for militants ended years of conflict.

The ship that was attacked belongs to Sea Trucks Group.

The raid happened early in the morning, more than 30 nautical miles (56km) off the coast, the officer said.

The heavily polluted delta is Nigeria's main oil-producing region.

The incident will be of great concern to Nigeria's oil and gas industry at a time when the government has just announced that oil production has reached an all-time high of 2.7m barrels per day, the BBC's Will Ross in Lagos reports.

Critics say the peace deal which allowed the rise in output remains precarious.

The militants targeted foreign oil companies, drawing on local support in a region still blighted by poverty despite huge profits for the multinational energy corporations.

Local people wanted to see more of that wealth used to improve their housing and services.

Despite the amnesty, kidnappings of Nigerians in the Niger Delta have been happening at an alarming rate, our correspondent says.

Piracy is increasing in parts of West Africa, he reports. The International Maritime Bureau says it has recorded 17 pirate attacks in Nigerian waters this year - a significant increase on 2011.



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Funny demands of the Ogonis

Submitted by The GEE (not verified) on August 6, 2012 - 13:52.

I wonder why some people or tribes forget history so fast. The Ogonis should remember that they've not issued public apology to the Igbos for the roles they and their leaders played during the Biafran civil war; they should stop behaving like Yorubas who see nothing wrong in betraying Igbos and participated actively in the killing of over two thousand of my tribe. We're still waiting for the day the mad man will dance with cloth in the market place; we will assist him very fast in removing his cloth. So to my Ogoni brothers, what goes around comes around. Wishing you the best in your idiotic demand. If I may borrow Chief Ojo Maduekwe's highly revered word.

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Submitted by UsaveOne (not verified) on August 5, 2012 - 15:16.

....Seems no end in sight?

Check: <http://usaveone.blogspot.com>

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LET THERE BE PEACE

Submitted by www.baba2023.com (not verified) on August 5, 2012 - 14:58.

Please let there be a peaceful resolution of this issue. The Niger-Delta is highly under-developed and Govt should do something urgently. Dialogue is the ANSWER.

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Sunday Njokede is not Igbo!!!

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on August 5, 2012 - 14:57.

Why does Deri keep assuming that Sunday Njokede is Igbo?? Pls for heaven's sake the name "Njokede" does not have any meaning or connotation in any of the Igbo dialects, including Ikwere! That name, if real, sounds more of middle belt region, and as such 'Sunday Njokede' cannot be Igbo!! So, Deri should have his facts at hand before ascribing ethnicity to people wrongly!!!

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Oil Haram Militant

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on August 5, 2012 - 14:21.

Oil Haram don come back again because their Brother called Himself President can't continue with amnesty Umar (RIP) left to the Moronic GEJ. SHAME on Niger Delta

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