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Gunmen Kidnap Two Chinese Nationals, Kill Three Nigerians in Niger

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Two Chinese Nationals working on the Zungeru Hydro Electric dam project in the Rafi Local Government Area of Niger State were on Tuesday kidnapped by unknown gunmen.

During the raid by the gunmen three Nigerians were reported to have been shot dead while one Chinese was reportedly injured.

It was learnt that the incident, which occurred at about 6pm on the fateful Tuesday, was when the foreigners and their Nigerian counterparts were engaged in the laying of electric cable to neighboring Gusase community.

THISDAY was told that not less than 20 of the armed gunmen riding on motorcycles stormed the site where the foreign and Nigerian nationals were working and started shooting indiscriminately.

In the confusion that ensued the three Nigerians and one Chinese were hit by bullets while the two other Chinese were forced on two motorcycles and taken into the bush.

The Niger State Police Command has confirmed the incident in a statement by the Public Relations Officer DSP Wasiu Abiodun, which was

made available to THISDAY. In the statement Abiodun said: "On 04/1/2022 at about 1630hrs, suspected armed bandits attacked workers of

Sino-Hydro Power Dam. The workers comprised of some Chinese expatriates and local staffs who were attacked while working on transmission line

tower along Gussase village". He continued that "However, Police tactical team attached to the facility engaged the hoodlums in a gun duel while

four of the expatriates were rescued with one of them and a local staff sustaining bullet injury and taken to hospital for medical treatment".



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L-R: Convener and General Superintendent, Deeper Christian Life Ministry, Pastor Williams F. Kumuyi, his wife, Mrs. Esther Kumuyi; Council Chairman, Chrisland University, Professor Ayodeji Olukojun, and National Coordinator, Deeper Christian Life Ministry Fellowship, Professor Olukayode Sunday, during the flag-off of a five-day Global Youth Programme organised by the church at Deeper Life Bible Church International Conference Centre, Kilometre 42, Lagos-Ibadan Expressway in Ogun State... yesterday

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