



Weekly Report

Côte d'Ivoire

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Ivorian village of Fetai attacked near the Liberian border

- On May 15, armed men from Liberia reportedly crossed the River Cavally and headed for Fetai where they looted and burned several houses.
- Ivorian forces have strengthened their presence in the area.
- Details about the attack and the possible death toll are not yet reported.
- Source: Star Africa

<http://en.starafrika.com/news/cote-divoire-attack-repelled-to-liberian-border.html>

Ivorian refugees return to homelessness

- Voluntary repatriation by the UNHCR has brought home 33,702 people from Liberia since 2011. Around 400 have returned from Guinea and have come back on their own.
- 52 percent of former refugees have no houses.
- The Ivorian government's Post-Crisis Assistance Programme says 2,243 houses need reconstruction or refurbishment in the crisis-riven west, and that it rebuilt or restored 687 houses in 2012 thanks to World Bank funding.
- Source: IRIN Humanitarian News and Analysis

<http://www.irinnews.org/report/100084/ivoirian-refugees-return-to-homelessness>

"All those returning have nowhere to go. The land ownership problems still remain. Every returning refugee or displaced person is an additional land problem that needs resolving."

- Senior UN official on condition of anonymity (IRIN article)

Stranded Nigerian girls in Côte d'Ivoire seek assistance to return home

- 7 Nigerian girls in Abidjan seek help from the Nigerian embassy after being made to serve as sex workers at a brothel.
- The Secretary-General of the Nigerian community in Côte d'Ivoire called on the Nigerian government to "evolve ways of tightening border security to ensure that under-aged girls are no longer forced out of their homes into foreign lands".
- Source: Premium Times

<http://www.premiumtimesng.com/news/160577-stranded-nigerian-girls-cote-divoire-seek-assistance-return-home.html>