



# Weekly Report

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*"[Haite] Aliyu [of the Borno-Yobe People's Forum] said that in northeastern Nigeria "life has become nasty, short and brutish. We are living in a state of anarchy."*

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## Nigeria

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### ***Kidnapped Nigerian schoolgirls forced to marry extremists***

- Scores of girls and young women kidnapped from a school in Nigeria are being forced to marry their abductors from the Boko Haram terrorist network.
- Unconfirmed reports indicate that the girls have been trafficked into neighbouring Cameroon and Chad and sold as brides to insurgents for 2000 naira (about \$14 CAD).
- Boko Haram is also negotiating over the students' fate and is demanding an unspecified ransom for their release.
- Source: The World Post

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/04/30/kidnapped-nigerian-girls\\_n\\_5239180.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/04/30/kidnapped-nigerian-girls_n_5239180.html)

### ***Parents of abducted Nigerian schoolgirls hold desperate protest***

- Hundreds of parents in Nigeria held a day of protest on Thursday May 1 in the town where the kidnapping of more than 100 schoolgirls by Boko Haram took place.
- In Lagos, police fired teargas canisters at a crowd of 100 people staging a protest for the missing girls. For many, the missing schoolgirls have come to symbolise a wider security crisis in Nigeria.
- Nigerians have also taken to social media to protest, using hashtags #BringBackOurGirls and #BringBackOurDaughters to demand more from the government.
- Source: The Guardian

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/may/01/parents-abducted-schoolgirls-nigeria-protest>

### ***Deadly bomb attack hits Nigerian capital***

- A blast on the outskirts of Nigeria's capital Abuja has killed at least a dozen people.
- The car bombing on Thursday May 1 hit the suburb of Nyanya, close to the site of a morning rush-hour bomb attack at a bus station on 14 April that killed at least 75 people.
- Boko Haram claimed responsibility for the 14 April attack and has threatened further attacks.
- Source: Al Jazeera

<http://www.aljazeera.com/news/africa/2014/05/deadly-bomb-attack-nigerian-capital-20145121135549681.html>