

Boko Haram Abducts 60 Women and Girls in Nigeria's Northeast



Abuja, October 24 (RHC)-- Takfiri Boko Haram militants in Nigeria have abducted at least 60 women and girls following attacks on two remote towns in the country's northeast, despite a truce between the government and the militants.

The residents of the northeastern town of Wagga said on Friday that Boko Haram militants had attacked the town, going door-to-door in search of young women and girls. The militants kidnapped 40 females in the town.

Separately, witnesses in Gwarta reported a kidnapping at the weekend involving 20 females. No more details have yet been revealed.

Wagga is close to the town of Chibok, where 276 girls were kidnapped by Boko Haram in April, triggering worldwide outrage. A number of the girls kidnapped in Chibok have managed to break from Boko Haram's custody, but some 200 still remain missing.

The Nigerian government recently announced that it had reached a temporary truce with Boko Haram in an effort to secure the release of the schoolgirls from Chibok.

Negotiations over the release of the schoolgirls are under way between the representatives of the government and Boko Haram in the Chadian capital, N'Djamena.

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