

2ND CALL: MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: THE CONTINUED SACKING & MASSACRE IN NDON EYO 2 & RECENT INCURSION INTO NDON UTIN

On Tuesday, 5th August 2023, I raised a matter of urgent public importance on the vermin spreading across the Urban 2 area in Etinan Local Government Area.

Background: Mr. Udo Sunday Etukudo was arrested by a Monitoring team from Ikot Akpan Abia on the 17th of July & on the 18th July, his boys came to the Ndon Eyo 2 Village Head's house and caused trouble, destroying everything in site & threatening the life of Pastor Sebastian Michael, who called for help & was rescued amongst others by Security Agencies. The boys gave an ultimatum that if their Leader was not released, the land will know no peace- and there has been no peace since then till date. Udo Sunday Etukudo has been released & he returned to the village & eloped with his family and is hardly seen.

Since July 2023, normal life in Ndon Eyo II village had been violently disrupted by a set of miscreants, namely Idongesit Peter Akpan, Ime Nkekwere & Owoidighe Monday Paul aka AWI- and their gang of over 50 people who have: Sacked the Village Head & Deputy Village Head, burnt about 3 houses as of last count, vandalized over 10 houses, beat up men who stood up to them & raped women, forcefully seized motor cycles and bicycles from villagers AND denied access to Ndon Eyo II Health Post for pregnant women.

In September, Blessing Monday Etukudoh, a 14-year old, SS 2 student of Community Secondary School, Nyadiong was raped & killed by Ime Nkekwere, in company of other miscreants including TALENT. The perpetrators of the crime were arrested and taken to the Police Station, but later released on bail. The father of the deceased- Mr. Monday Etukudoh, has since eloped from his ancestral lands with the remnants of his family.

The Ministry of Internal Security & Etinan Divisional Police performed some raids, but the miscreants have not been deterred & the town remains deserted, ransacked & desolate- and with the miscreants emboldened by the inactivity of the Akwa Ibom State Government, they have taken their rampage to the neighboring community of Ndon Utin.

In the week Nigeria celebrated Independence Day, precisely the 3rd of October, the neighboring village of Ndon Utin was compromised and Eteidung Jacob, the Village Head was beaten up mercilessly & injured with a very deep gash to his head (cut by Sunday Akpan Akpan), and very lucky to be alive. Others in the trail of mayhem include Moses Edem Uko, Aniefiok Friday Udo Ben & a host of others.

Apart from the fact(s) that cold blooded murder has occurred, the seat of authority has been desecrated and I am in great fear that this scourge will spread to other neighboring villages like Oto Akan, Ekpene Ukpa, Awa Ntong, Nkana e.t.c.

Recognizing that it is our duty and responsibility to speak for the interest of our constituents, Mr. Speaker, Leadership & Distinguished Colleagues, I crave your indulgence(s) to invite the following entities to appear before this hallowed Chamber and explain to Akwa Ibom State people & provide definite closure dates to this undesirable situation that has hitherto threatened the whole area:

1. Commissioner of Police, Akwa Ibom State Police Command- for the murdered 14 year old, wanton destruction of property, amongst other things including the arrest(s) & permanent incarceration of the main culprits directly & indirectly related to this mayhem, including Udo Sunday Etukudo, Ime Monday Johnny, Owoidighe Monday Paul, Ime Peter Etukudo (aka Talent), Ifiok Etim Obot and someone with a nickname- Taller. He also need to explain why the larger crowd of perpetrators who operate in conjunction with other miscreants from Mkpato Enin LGA notably from their operational HQ in Ikot Abia Enin & other villages in Mkpato Enin including Nya Odiong, Ekpuk Village, Ikot Ekpaw, Ikot Abasi Akpan, Ikot Esen, Akpan Ntuen & Ikot Obio Nso
2. Commissioner for Internal Security- to explain efforts aimed at situating a permanent JTF Security Post in Ndon Eyo 2
3. Commissioner for Local Government & Chieftaincy Affairs: to explain the actions he has taken subsequent to the report that a Village Head was macheted in broad day light. He also needs to explain how he plans to protect our seat(s) of authority, including the recently coronated Paramount Ruler of Etinan.

Also, the Ndon Eyo 2 village have compiled a list of items, properties & structures vandalized. I want to use this opportunity to plead with His Excellency, The Governor of Akwa Ibom State, to help this desecrated community by providing compensation to the teeming people that have been affected.