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## 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2018 MASSACRE BY THE SECURITY FORCES IN BATIBO

On Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 2018, the elements of the state security forces (**The BIR**) invaded the locality of **Ofen**, a quarter in **Tiben** village in **Batibo Sub Division** of the **Momo Division, Northwest Region** of Cameroon, targeted and massacred 16 unarmed civilians, 8 of them being members of one family. Of the total victims 9 were women and 3 of whom were young girls of age **8, 5, and 1 year** respectively and seven (7) of whom were men. Eyewitnesses reports that, the Defense and Security forces got news that there is a training camp for the ADF in Tiben village of **Batibo Sub Division** and they targeted the locality with intent to eliminate members of the camp.

They entered the village at about 7a.m. on Thursday morning while the villagers were preparing to go and sell their goods and merchandise at the **Widikum** weekly market, a neighboring locality to **Tiben**. Failing to meet the ADF, they started shooting sporadically in the air causing panic and fear in the villagers. In the midst of the commotion, some of the villagers escaped to the bush. A notable and shocking scenario was the killing of a teacher **Mr. Tebit Evans Chick** and 7 members of his family.



His wife and children, Mrs. **Tebit Judith** being his wife, **Chick Roosevelt** 8 years old, **Chick Blessing** 5 years old and **Chick** 1 year old. All of them being daughters of Tebit Evans Chick. His father **Tebit John Chick** and his mother **Tebit Helen Chick** as well as his mother in-law Mrs. **Okim Salome** who heard the gunshots in the village and ran to his house for safety were all murdered in the house.


Away from this family, other human casualties also perpetrated by the same group of government soldiers in the very expedition include inter alia: Mrs. **Abine Rose**, Mrs. **Achi Deborah**, **Atam Alphonse**, Mr. **Temah Titus Aboh**, Mr. **Tenjei Raymond**, Miss **Tenjei Florence Aboh** and Mr **Tifuh Charles Kuki** who were shot and killed in the neighboring homes in the same quarter of **Ofen**, while Mrs. **Abong Mary** was gravely injured.


## **GENDER DISAGGREGATION**

- Number of men = 7
- Women = 6
- Children (girls) = 3



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## **NAMES OF VICTIMS (DECEASED)**

Mr. Tebit Evans Chick (husband), Mrs. Tebit Judith Chick (wife), Chick Roosevelt Chick (daughter), Chick Blessing (daughter), Chick (daughter), Mr. Tebit John Chick (father to Tebit Evans), Mrs. Tebit Helen Chick (mother to Tebit Evans), Mrs. Okim Salome (Mother-in-law to Evans), Mrs. Abine Rose, Mrs. Achi Deborah , Tenjei Florence Aboh, Mr. Temah Titus Aboh, Mr. Tenjei Raymond, Mr. Tifuh Charles Kuki, Mr Atam Alphonse, Mrs Abang Mary (injured only).


## **BAMBILI - NORTH WEST REGION, WEDNESDAY 11 JULY 2018.**


In **Tubah Sub- Division, Mezam Division, North West Region**, it is reported that in the locality of **Bambili**, on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018, night, **5 students** of the University of Bamenda were shot dead by the government military forces.

Sources say it was on Wednesday night when the students were in their hostels. Neighbors, students, also say that night; they saw military men ordering students to come out of their hostels (The name of the hostel gotten was **Elisam Hostel** situated around the police station) which they did. They were asked to first present their identity cards, which they did. Later ordered to sit on the floor and later on asked to stand and walk towards the soldiers who out rightly hot and killed these students (execution style). Early the next morning, they went to see what had happen, but unfortunately, they couldn't find their fellow mates at the hostel.



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That morning, it was discovered at the Regional Hospital in Bamenda that five (5) bodies (all young men) were brought in the hospital without any identification. Parents of **BILLY KARI**, one of the victims, were contacted by the students of the hostel on the happenings of yesternight. The parents came and searched for him everywhere, they went to the police station but on getting there, were told to go look for him in the mortuary.

On getting to the hospital, there discovered and identified that one of the bodies brought to the hospital without any identification is their son- Billy Karri, a student studying Urban Planning, in the University of Bamenda.

The brother of Billy Karri confirmed that he spoke with him the day he was allegedly killed, who told him that he is on the table studying for his examination.

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