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WEEK OF 27 JANUARY TO 03 FEBRUARY 2013

S/ No	Scale of incident	Date of Occurrence	Country	Incidents	Location	Casualty/property damages/ Affected Population	Coping Mechanism/ responses
1.	Low	29-01-2013	Benin	Drug trafficking: The Benin Police has seized three containers of illegal drugs at the port of Cotonou shipped from Pakistan. The container arrived Saturday, and was impounded on Tuesday. 586 parcels have been sent to the central office against illegal trafficking.	Cotonou	*Three container of drugs seized	
2.	Low	28-01-2013	Cape Verde	Drug trafficking: About 7.30am, The National police destroyed 172 feet of cannabis farm. The alleged owners of the plantation are two boys aged 24 and 19 who have been arrested upon a tip-off.	Saltos Abaixo, Santa Cruz	•2 people arrested	
3.	Medium	31-01-2013	Cote d'Ivoire	Intimidation: The health care personnel's of Cote d'Ivoire's public health has threatened to embark on strike which will take effect from 04 to 08 February if their claims are not addressed by the government. Only minimum service will be ensured.	Abidjan & other regions	*Government *Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strike effective on due date. • Minimum service ensured.
4.	Medium	03-02-2013	Cote d'Ivoire	Piracy: A French tanker (Gascogne) sailing under a Luxembourg flag with a crew of 19 sailors has been hijacked off Ivorian coasts.	Off the coast of Cote d'Ivoire	*19 sailors abducted : *7 Togoese	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The tanker is said to have been spotted off the Nigerian coast few



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				The tanker was loaded with about 3000 tonnes of fuel. However, about 200 tones of fuel has been siphoned while two sailors are injured.		*4 Beninois *2 Senegaleses *2 Ivoirians *1 Chinese *1 Korean *2 sailors injured	days later. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sailors and tanker have been released on 06-02-2013
5.	Low	28-01-2013	Ghana	Fire: At Least 200 people have been displaced in Sekyere Central district of Ashanti region where fire from farmlands gutted two villages of Asasi Bonso and Dome. Due to the strong winds of the evening and the following morning, fire set at farms for bush burning is alleged to have spread all over.	Asasi Bonso and Dome, Ashanti region	*Many rendered homeless *Properties destroyed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sufficient relief materials for victims • Food and Non-food aids are sought from regional and national government
6.	Medium	28-01-2013	Ghana	Shooting: 2 people have sustained gunshots in Yendi when a joint police & military team attempted to disperse a crowd at the Bolin-Lana's palace. The victims were allegedly hit by warning shots of the security team that raided the Abudu Regent's palace to allegedly prevent the Abudu gate from climaxing the celebration of the Damba Festival which comes off on 31 st January 2013.	Yendi	•2 people sustained injuries •People that have been beaten	*joint military-police cordoned off the area.
7.	Low	29-01-2013	Ghana	Human trafficking: Two men have been arrested for trafficking a 19-year old boy, whom they promised to give a job at	Suaman Dadieso	•One trafficked •2 arrested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspected arrested



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				Suaman Dadieso. The suspects who attempted to sell the boy at GHC 80,000 were arrested by the police on a tip-off			
8.	Low	30-01-2013	Ghana	Explosion: A petroleum tanker has exploded while off-loading petrol at Glory filling Station in Kumasi. Four vehicle including the tanker, a cargo and 2 saloon cars have been burnt. No casualty	Kumasi	•Properties destroyed	
9.	Low	31-01-2013	Ghana	Arrest: A serial rapist who has been raping passengers in his taxi has been apprehended by the Madina Division of Domestic Violence and Victims Support Units (DOVVSU) for attempting to rape a passenger on-board his taxi.	Madina	*One arrested	• Suspect is in detention pending completion of investigations
10.	Low	29-01-2013	Guinea	Armed robbery: Armed bandits have attacked a trader's shop in Matoto and made away with more than 60 million Guinean Francs while killing one security officer.	Conakry	•The trader •The police man killed	
11.	Low	28-01-13	Liberia	Arrest/Human Rights Violations: Vandarlark Patricks , one of the planners of a protest has been arrested at the entrance of the Capitol Building by plain clothes individuals suspected to be policemen at 10:30pm. He is arrested for allegedly posting on Facebook a threat to mobilize another demonstration, and	Monrovia	*One arrested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment by government officials • Human rights activists demanded his release as he was charged to court • He has been released on 06/02/2013



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				defamatory comments around Liberia's social, economic, and political status.			
12.	Medium	28-01-2013	Mali	Armed attack: French and Malian troops have taken over control of the town of Timbuktu from the islamists, 3 days after they reconquered Gao. Timbuktu was under the control of Ansar dine who cut off light and electricity.	Gao, Timbuktu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population freed • Islamists killed • Islamists arrested 	Charia called off
13.	Medium	30-01-2013	Mali	Armed attack: The French army has taken control of the Kidal airport during air strike in the night of 29 to 30 th January. It is reported that before the arrival of the French army, the town was taken by MNLA and MIA (a dissident branch).	Kidal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *rebels' camps and properties destroyed *People killed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Chadian troops deployed in Kidal. *French troop also deployed at the airport
14.	Medium	31-01-2013	Mali	Land mine: 2 Malian soldiers have been killed by an explosion of Land mine between Douentza and Hombori which were recently taken from the islamists.	Mopti	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Soldiers killed 	
15.	Medium	01-02-2013	Mali	Emergency /Food shortage crisis: Following the recent military intervention in Gao and Timbuktu, communities in Northern Mali are said to be facing food and currency shortage as there has been no food supplies in Gao for the past two weeks. They are in need of food aid, fuel, and clothing.	Gao and Timbuktu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People affected • Many people displaced 	EU commission will released emergency aid of 20 million euros. (05-02-13)
16.	Medium	27-01-2013	Nigeria	Communal Conflict: Conflict has erupted	Amla, Benue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 killed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People have fled their



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				between Idoma farmers and Fulani herdsmen of Amla village in Otukpo LGA of Benue State over the destruction of several farmlands by cows leaving three people dead. The conflict is alleged to have started as a result of a stray bullet that killed a Fulani herdsman during annual hunting fair.	State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Houses razed • Over 300 people displaced • Cows killed 	<p>homes in fear of reprisal attacks by the herdsmen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Displaced persons have sort refuge in a Muslim community school • Food aids have been provided for displaced persons
17.	Low	27-01-2013	Nigeria	Accident: A trailer conveying 40 passengers and 15 cows from Baura town to Charanchi market have lost control in a bid to avoid potholes and as a result claimed the lives of at least 5 people and injured 25 others in Bindawa LGA of Katsina State.	Bindawa, Katsina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 people dead • 25 injured • Cows dead 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victims are receiving treatment at hospital
18.	Medium	27-01-2013	Nigeria	Armed Attack: Unidentified armed men have attacked and killed eight people in Gajiganna village. The victims are also said to have been had their throats slit. Immediate cause of the attack is unknown	Gajiganna, Borno State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 people killed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigation is underway
19.	Medium	27-01-2013	Nigeria	Communal conflict: Following the inter-ethnic clash between Fulani and Tarok in Wadata, last Thursday, Fulani herdsmen have attacked Lamba Wakat district of Plateau State in the early hours of the day	Lamba, Plateau State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 dead • Many other injured 	



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				killing two persons and injuring many others. The attacks have created tension in the locality.			
20.	Low	27-01-2013	Nigeria	Abduction: The parents of Bayelsa State’s council chairman have been kidnapped by 3 unknown gunmen at their home in Oloibiri.	Oloibiri, Bayelsa	*2 taken hostage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police are on the kidnappers trail to rescue the victims
21.	Low	28-01-2013	Nigeria	Arrest: The police have arrested three suspected masquerade members over the death of an Islamic clergy who was shot on a motorcycle by one of the masquerade members during Egungun festival. The death of the clergy sparked reprisal attacks as youth burnt a building belonging to the traditional worshippers	Abeokuta, Ogun State	*One dead *Building destroyed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The command have suspended further activities of the masquerade festival for 2013
22.	Medium	28-01-2013	Nigeria	Communal Conflict: Hostilities has restarted between Offa and Erin-ile communities in Kwara State, leaving about ten people dead and destroying properties. The conflict is due to an accident that occurred between a trader from Erin-ile who went to Offa to buy tiles and the vehicle he used hit that of an Offa man.	Kwara State	•10 dead •Properties destroyed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People have fled the affected areas for safety • Policemen have been deployed to the area to restore law and order • A 24-hour curfew has been imposed by state government
23.	Medium	28-01-2013	Nigeria	Accident: At least 10 people have been	Nkpor,	• 10 dead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victims have been



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				killed and 12 others injured in a fatal accident that occurred at 5:30pm in Nkpor Flyover Bridge in Onitsha. The accident was caused by a trailer who lost control and ran into other vehicles.	Anambra State	*12 injured	rushed to nearby hospital
24.	Low	29-01-2013	Nigeria	Abduction: 5 unknown gunmen have kidnapped the mother of the leader of the Bayelsa state house of Assembly at about 9:30pm in her residence at Ebedebiri. The gunmen are alleged to have shot sporadically before abducting the victim. The abduction brings to four the parents of public office holders who are kidnapped in the latest wave of kidnapping in the state.	Ebedebiri, Bayelsa	*One abducted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A ransom of N80 million is demanded by kidnapers • Members of the assembly in solidarity with their colleague postponed their deliberations
25.	Low	29-01-2013	Nigeria	Arrest: Three people have been arrested for abduction of high profile persons at Oduke area of Asaba. The arrest was made following a tip-off from the group recent kidnapping last week. The gang member at his hideout was however shot dead	Oduke, Delta State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One killed • Three arrested 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interrogation is ongoing at the police station
26.	Low	29-01-2013	Nigeria	Abduction: former vice chancellor of Delta State university – Professor Abednego has been kidnapped by unidentified gunmen in Uzere at about 11:00am. He was abducted shortly after leaving a church.	Uzere, Delta State	• One kidnapped	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efforts are made to rescue him by the police • Abductors are yet to establish contacts with family
27.	Low	30-01-2013	Nigeria	Accident: A petroleum tanker has killed	Benin-Onitsha	*3 dead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The tanker driver



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				three people and injured three others when it lost control due to a brake failure along Benin-Onitsha express road	expressway	*3 injured	escaped <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victims rushed to hospital
28.	Low	30-01-2013	Nigeria	Robbery: The Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) have gunned down three robbers along Makurdi-Aliade Otukpo expressway. The robbers who are reported to have been terrorizing the area were carrying out a robbery operation when SARS arrived.	Benue highway	*3 robbers killed	
29.	High	30-01-2013	Nigeria	Armed Attack: Armed bandits numbering about hundred (100) have attacked Birnin Gwari of Kaduna State killing six people including five policemen, freeing all detained criminals, burning police station and robbing two banks. In a similar manner, unidentified gunmen have attacked the Bunkure police station in Kano State killing two people including a policeman Also, gunmen have attacked a police check-point in Gombe metropolis killing two policemen and injuring a crippled passer-by	Kaduna, Kano and Gombe states	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 policemen killed • 2 civilian killed • 2 injured • Banks robbed included a crippled passer-by. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigations are going • No arrest has been made yet
30.	Low	30-01-2013	Nigeria	Abduction/detention: four persons who attempted to abduct a 2-year old boy from the parents in Onitsha are receiving medical treatment following injuries they	Onitsha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four injured and 5 arrested 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The victims are in police custody and surveillance in the hospital



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				sustained from engaging the police in a gun battle. A female who is alleged to be employed by the gang to look after the boy has been equally arrested.			
31.	Medium	31-01-2013	Nigeria	Military Action: The Joint Task Force (JTF) has killed 17 suspected Boko Haram members in Borno state. The killing is as a result of the special operation on the terrorist camps conducted by the military. However one soldier died as a result of the exchange of gunfire	Borno State	*18 people dead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many arms and ammunitions have been recovered from insurgents
32.	Low	01-02-2013	Nigeria	Armed Attack: gunmen have attacked a police station in Dass town, injuring one officer and destroying part of the building	Dass, Bauchi state	*One injured *Police Station, partly destroyed	
33.	Low	02-02-2013	Nigeria	Abduction: A naval commander has been kidnapped by a seven-man armed robbery gang, who also made away with 5 million naira on him at about 3pm between Ugheli and Patani of Delta State Similarly, a three-year old child has been abducted by unidentified men at 2pm as he was returning from school.	Delta State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 kidnapped • 5 million naira carted away 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigations are ongoing to apprehend culprits
34.	Medium	29-01-2013	Senegal	Fire outbreak: Bush fire have destroyed more than 9000 ha of the environment of the Dolly ranch from 27 till 29 January. Dolly ranch of 875000 ha is known for its role in the economy of Senegal especially	Linguere	*8000 ha environmental space razed by the fire.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire curbed after 2 days of continuous intervention by the Water and Forest agents.



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				for the livestock and pastures provided.			
35.	Medium	02-02-2013	Senegal	Armed Attack: About 30 gunmen suspected to be of the Movement of the Democratic Forces of Casamance have killed at least 3 people in Kafountine, about 100 kilometers northwest of Zinguinchor during a robbery operation in a credit Union known as “ Credit Mutuel” and many shops. Two other suspected rebels have been killed following the crossfire that ensued between soldiers and the gunmen.	Kafountine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •3 civilian killed •2 suspected rebels killed •Properties lost 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intervention of the army with crossed fire with the rebels for hours.