

2020 NIGERIA THE SPLIT

The Schism is not just about resources – This Situation Report is intended to open up the links between OCG politics and terrorism.

SITREP - ABSTRACT

The pursuit of "proxy wars" in sub-Saharan Africa.

The split of Nigeria, justified by its progenitors is a long-term geo-strategic, project facilitated and supported by transnational actors. These consist of ex-presidents, governors, ministers, (former) leaders of industry and organized crime groups.

Motivations

Nigeria designated Al Qaeda headquarters. In exchange for support, Nigerian and other transnational actors, such as transnational mining and extractive corporations 'can' monitor and control the groups.

Al Qaeda rewarded in 2019 the Boko Haram leadership by assigning members, with decades of experience, dating back to the 1990's.

The Nigerian terrorism and organized crime nexus.

The NEXUS terrorism, Nigerian organized crime, including illicit arms and weapons trafficking, is a severe threat to international peace and security! The most sophisticated serious threat to Pan-African international peace and security? Without a shadow of a doubt, these are corrupt individuals. Nigeria and specific Nigerians. are subjected to financial US and EU sanctions. The old adage, **"follow the money"** and "*Qui bono*" hold sway here. We cannot name all suspects here. However, striking terror where it hurts, is the wallets and bank accounts of the perpetrators: Proceeds Of Crime law or Unexplained Wealth Orders (UWO's).

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The Nigerian Constitution: An executive summary

The constitution prohibits federal and state governments from adopting a state religion, criminalizes religious and sexual discrimination, thus providing for an" individuals' freedom to choose, practice, propagate, or change their religion"¹.

Human rights groups reported the federal government often failed to prevent, quell, or respond to violence affecting religious groups, particularly in the north-eastern and central regions of the country. In November, at least nine people were killed in Kano State in clashes between police and members of the Islamic Movement of Nigeria (IMN), the country's largest Shia group. In July, the Kaduna State government released the results of its investigation of the December 2015 clash between the Military and the IMN, in which at least 348 IMN members and one soldier died. More than 200 IMN members were awaiting trial as a result of that incident; the government did not charge any members of the army. Human rights groups called for the prosecution of military members responsible. The Kaduna State government banned the IMN. On 4 January, a Kano State Upper Sharia Court sentenced cleric Abdulaziz Dauda and nine followers to death for making blasphemous statements against the Prophet Muhammad; the case was under appeal. In January, a sharia court in Kano State confirmed the death sentences of an imam and eight others for blasphemy. Also, in January, a Kano sharia court convicted a Tijaniyah Sufi Muslim cleric and five others of blasphemy and sentenced them to death. Both cases were on appeal at year's end. Religious groups reported instances in which neither the state and nor federal governments investigated, prosecuted, or punished those responsible for abuses committed due to religious intolerance, such as the 3 November release of five Muslim men arrested for the 2 June killing of a Christian woman in Kano. Members of regional minority religious groups said some state and local government laws continued to discriminate against them, including by limiting their rights to freedom of expression and assembly and obtaining government employment.

The terrorist organization Boko Haram continues to carry out numerous attacks, committing mass killings and often targeting civilians. The nongovernmental organization (NGO) Nigeria Watch estimated activities by Boko Haram resulted in the deaths of 2,900 people, including Boko Haram members, a decrease from the 4,780 deaths recorded in 2015.²

¹ <u>https://www.state.gov/reports/2016-report-on-international-religious-freedom/nigeria/</u> ² ibid



Adamawa and Kwara States are the strategic and preferred targets for Boko Haram

To split Nigeria, the currently active and sleeping insurgencies in the north, northeast, resurgent intensity in its oil-producing Niger Delta and south are strategically not sufficient. Last year Shekau's Boko Haram (BH1) stepped up violence in Adamawa state where it has a presence since 2009.

Part-time terrorists and full-time criminals

Local and transnational organized crime supports the presence of Boko Haram in Kwara. Its silent focus is the economy, the supply chains for prime consumer goods, and social coherence. That which makes it unique is the co-operation and strategic alliances between Christian and Muslim groups. It is living proof that money and profit are the driving factors that have instigated a unique relationship of mutual beneficence between the two. Both are part-time terrorists and full-time criminals.

Kwara State is the ONLY northern state where Muslims and Christians live side by side without war! A befitting target for al Qaeda affiliates.

ALERT ! - Boko Haram invested significant resources in Kwara State, where it developed a not yet exposed growing presence since 2017. Ongoing AML investigations revealed local and foreign financial support via Qatar and structural support via Turkey. (H) (T)

In 2019 Al Qaeda honored Boko Haram by assigning members with decades of experience dating back to the '90s in Yemen and Sudan. (H) (T)





Maritime terrorism and piracy

International Maritime Bureau reports the territorial and offshore waters in the Niger Delta and the Gulf of Guinea as very high risk for piracy and armed robbery of ships; in 2018, 48 commercial vessels were boarded or attacked compared with 33 attacks in 2017; in 2018, 29 ships were boarded eight of which were underway, 12 were fired upon, and 78 crew members were abducted; Nigerian pirates have extended the range of their attacks to as far away as Cote d'Ivoire, and as far as 170 nm offshore; the Maritime Administration of the US Department of Transportation has issued a Maritime Advisory (2019-010-Gulf of Guinea-Piracy/Armed Robbery/Kidnapping for Ransom) effective 19 July 2019, which states in part "Piracy, armed robbery, and kidnapping for ransom (KFR) continue to serve as significant threats to the U.S. flagged vessels transiting or operating in the Gulf of Guinea (GoG). ...According to the Office of Naval Intelligence's "Weekly Piracy Reports," 72 reported incidents of piracy and armed robbery at sea occurred in the GoG region this year as of 9 July 2019. Attacks, kidnappings for ransom (KFR), and boardings to steal valuables from the ships and crews are the most common types of incidents, with approximately 75 percent of all incidents taking place off Nigeria. During the first six months of 2019, there were 15 kidnapping and 3 hijackings in the GoG (H)³

³ <u>https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/ni.html</u>



Splitting Nigeria

National unity is the biggest challenge in Nigeria

Issues of sovereignty and nationalism

In Africa, tribal identity politics come into play based on the survival of tribes. Instead of economic gain, ideology provides a moral reason for people who are fighting or give up resources to the fight.

The African agenda

Because of the heightened sense of urgency after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, not only the intelligence services but also mission strategists of al Qaeda's were interested in "the African agenda" of the Bush administration. (H) (ULTRASCAN HUMINT) The group was alerted in September 2008 when the then-Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice paid a visit to Tripoli, Libya, and met with Qaddafi (Gaddafi). Weapons, mercenaries trained by Libya stoke regional conflicts funded with Libya's *gold bullion*.



Gaddafi - the United States of Africa

Recognizing the potential long-term, Gaddafi aligned his actions with "the African agenda" of the Bush administration. To gain influence throughout the continent, Gaddafi was "intimidating" many African heads of state and government. From February 2009, Gaddafi (Qaddafi) promoted the concept of a "United States of Africa."

Similar to some other world leaders, Libya's Muammar Gaddafi is known for his theatrics and grandstanding that buries significant facts by adding fantastic and irrelevant context. It takes an experienced observer to recognize the bits of high-value intelligence in a blur of grandstanding.

Ethnic or religious lines

In March 2010, improving his knowledge about the composition of Nigeria's population, after previously saying that to end communal clashes, a "deep conflict of religious nature," it should be divided into *two* - along *religious* lines, a Muslim and a Christian country. Gaddafi said Nigeria should be divided into *several* states along *ethnic* lines.





Military adventurists

Former Chief of Army Staff Lt. General Abdulrahman Bello Dambazau has alerted the nation of overt and covert moves by military adventurists to Interfere In the politics of the country.

AQIM - Abdelmalek Droukdel – Jihad

(2009) Following an outbreak of sectarian violence, the leader of North Africa's Al Qaida branch offered training and weapons to Nigeria's Muslims to fight the Christians there. Abdelmalek Droukdel, leader of Al Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM), in a statement posted on an Islamic Web site, accused Nigeria's Christians of killing hundreds of Muslims in a 'Crusader war.'



Droukdel promised to train Muslim youths, supply them with weapons and equipment. "We are ready to train your sons using weapons, support them with men, weapons, ammunition, and equipment, to enable them to defend themselves." He said, urging Nigerians to "push your sons into the fields of jihad to become the fighting vanguard in defense of the Muslims' blood and honor."

The bond al Qaeda - Fulani

In recent decades Al Qaeda created a relationship with the semi-nomad Fulani by often depending on them for logistics. The Fulani, one of the largest ethnic groups in the Sahel and West Africa, is almost exclusively Muslim. National unity is the biggest challenge in Nigeria; in 2009, Al Qaeda started to groom Fulani to alienate them and disrupt the national federation of Nigeria. (H)

Nigeria designated Al Qaeda headquarters

Boko Haram must be considered the most advanced, well prepared, disciplined, and robust financed terror organization in 50 years. Very effective!

A decade of sustained "presence and fear" established Boko Haram as a reliable affiliate of al Qaeda.

Tipping point

Al Qaeda rewarded in 2019 the Boko Haram leadership by assigning members, with decades of experience dating back to the '90s in Yemen and Sudan

In consultation with <u>Bola Tinubu</u>, the Kano state Governor <u>Ganduje</u> dethroned Emir Sanusi II over disrespect to the lawful authorities. (H)



Foreign influence

African states cannot govern themselves

The basis for current geo-policy for Africa is dating back to the 19th and the first half of the 20th century. One of the most controversial visions within the West's current leadership is that, with some exceptions, African States cannot or are incapable of governing themselves: *A statement verging on blatant racism and eugenics*.

Opposing geostrategies for Africa all about the resources, financing, and debts The US, Canada, UK, Europe, Russia, Turkey, Iran, Libya, Egypt, Israel, UAE, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, India, China, North Korea, South Korea,

The superpowers' pursuit of "proxy wars" in sub-Sahara Africa and Latin America Since the 9/11 attacks, the West has started limited wars. But Afghanistan, Iraq, and Libya show: that those wars become protracted, indecisive, and outright failures or not, depending on the focus, scope, and desired results, some within the intelligence services consider those wars a blatant success in a long-term geo-strategy. (H)

Fought at a distance, except for terrorism in the homeland, proxy wars have minimal risk

Synergy limits the "proxy" strategy by the "nexus of organized crime, politics, and terrorism" that defines the opportunities, scope, and strength of instruments available within the chosen realm. Finance, economy, commodities and financial markets, depreciation of currencies, organized crime, military, Information warfare, refugee flows, humanitarian, health, education, media, support for political and ethnic opponents, extremist and terrorism all instruments criminally applied on Nigeria (Africa).

Fourth-generation warfare (4GW) is conflict characterized by a blurring of the lines between war and politics, combatants, and civilians.

Banks (financial institutions) say goodbye to Africa

Banks from the U.S., U.K., and Europe have withdrawn from the African continent. Their branches elsewhere have limited and stopped service to African PEPs. Non-African Banks (financial institutions) with African owners are under the scrutiny of the financial regulators. (H) (T) (ULTRASCAN-FIU)

Nigeria and specific Nigerians. are subjected to financial US and EU sanctions

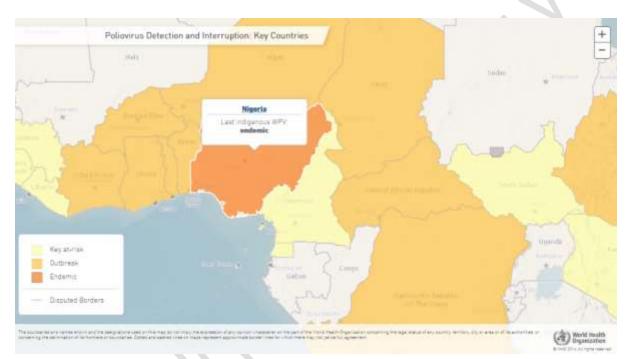


Terrorist spread viral disease - Biowarfare and bioterrorism

Alert 25 February 2020 - Terrorists spread Poliovirus (WPV1-cVDPV2)

When terrorists suffer losses and loss of territory caused by Military pressure, that frees resources for asymmetrical threats inside and outside their initial area. Fighters from Afghanistan, Nigeria, Pakistan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Syria, Libya, Somalia, Mali, Burkina Faso, Chad, move hundreds or thousands of miles, bringing along infectious disease uncommon to their destination.

Alert! - Humint from inside Boko Haram, Surveillance and Counter Surveillance revealed Travel Patterns. In essence, Boko Haram terrorist(s) infected with poliovirus traveled 800 miles from their base in North-East Nigeria, (unwittingly?) bringing polio to areas of Africa where it was eradicated long ago. (H)



Polio (eradication) in Nigeria (WPV1) http://polioeradication.org/where-we-work/nigeria/

What is Polio - Polio, or poliomyelitis, is a disabling and life-threatening disease caused by the poliovirus. The virus spreads from person to person and can infect a person's spinal cord, causing paralysis (can't move parts of the body) https://www.cdc.gov/polio/what-is-polio/index.htm List of Countries affected with WPV1, cVDPV1 or cVDPV3, with the potential risk of international spread http://polioeradication.org/polio-today/polio-now/public-health-emergency-status/

degree of risk: very high (2020)

food or waterborne diseases: bacterial and protozoal diarrhea, hepatitis A and E, and typhoid fever

vector-borne diseases: malaria, dengue fever, and yellow fever

water contact diseases: leptospirosis and schistosomiasis

animal contact diseases: rabies

respiratory infections: meningococcal meningitis

aerosolized dust or soil contact diseases: Lassa fever



note - on 7 October 2019, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued a Travel Health Notice for a Yellow Fever outbreak in Nigeria; a massive, ongoing outbreak of yellow fever in Nigeria began in September 2017; the epidemic is now spread throughout the country with the Nigerian Ministry of Health reporting cases of the disease in all 36 states and the Federal Capital Territory; the CDC recommends travelers going to Nigeria should receive vaccination against yellow fever at least 10 days before travel and should take steps to prevent mosquito bites while there; those never vaccinated against yellow fever should avoid a trip to Nigeria during the outbreak



Security services

Just how corrupt are the Nigerian security services and police?

In Nigeria, on a population of around two-hundred million, there are approximately three hundred thousand police officers, most of which are providing security and safety services to the (criminally) rich and famous.

Nigerian Military focussed on homeland security

That leaves the solving of a lot of security problems to the underpaid, underfed, and poorly equipped army.

Ruthless methods

The Military applies a cruel way of resolving security threats. Why interview suspects if you can torture them or when a problem cannot be attributed, kill everyone in sight, label the corpses as perpetrators, ransack the village and burn it down to the ground.

When western officers, who witnessed military interventions in Africa's (civil) war-stricken countries in the past three decades, are asked to rate the qualities of Nigeria's Military and soldiers, there usually are two answers 1. They completed assignments efficiently 2. Nigerian soldiers are the most vicious I have ever encountered.

The exponential poverty growth is energizing old and new ethnic and social unrest, the reason for local insurgencies and uprisings.



Interpol – WAPIS - West African Police Information System

April 2019 - Nigeria's support for the West African Police Information System (WAPIS) improve regional information sharing and access to INTERPOL's I-24/7 communication system. It's a step forward, but without the Proceeds Of Crime law (POC), Nigeria's president keeps control of priorities.

The EFCC

The EFCC investigates and prosecutes financial crimes. The high quality of its staff and prosecution is unmatched in Nigeria. From the start, it continuously strives to be an organization of excellence.

That said, politicians, business people, and organized crime have succeeded to structurally influence the start and outcome of specific EFCC investigations and prosecutions. (H)

"An EFCC controlled by Tinubu is an aberration."



Until recent years politicians and wealthy Nigerians who pay for police protection approached the EFCC with disdain, thinking they were untouchable. An EFCC chairperson should be an experienced law enforcement officer.



Politicians who don't agree with that are blocking the appointment of Mr. Magu, the new chairman. He is a target of Humint operations that apply tradecraft to influence his decisions. (H)

Organized crime was grooming EFCC staff and streamlined petitioning to the EFCC to damage their opponents. $({\rm H})$

To block and target their enemies and competitors, both politicians and business people make use of an organized crime service that streamlines the petitioning to the EFCC, often using forged documents. (H) (T) (ULTRASCAN

HUMINT)

The billion-dollar case that became suffocating

Over the years, the neglected P+ID case grew into a tool that can cripple Nigeria The leading P+ID lawyer in Nigeria is a former Attorney General of Lagos State. That former A.G. is still one of their primary paid advisors. He put his younger sister in a vital position with the Vice President's office. (H)



Military Intelligence

Counter-terrorism

Ideologically based terrorism doesn't stop at the border; it is a transnational instrument of war and, therefore, the realm of the Military. Specifically, military intelligence and not Law Enforcement or national Counter-Terrorism units in the public domain.

It's good to know that when Law Enforcement or CTUs want to prevent or disrupt a crime that involves terrorism suspects, the intelligence services might have other valid (inter-)national considerations to decide that Law Enforcement will not act to prevent or disrupt.

Similar to many other countries, the Airforce controls an essential part of the intelligence service and Nigeria's best Special Forces.



National Intelligence

A little over seven years ago, Nigeria was working toward the implementation of a new national intelligence and surveillance system. The Nigerian minister of Information and communication contracted Elbit Systems (ESLT:TLV), an Israeli defense electronics company, to supply Nigeria with the Wise Intelligence Technology (WiT[™]) system for intelligence analysis and cyber defense.

Wide-ranging capabilities

The sophisticated technology used for intelligence and security purposes can be useful to combat terrorism, corruption, and cybercrime. The system has wide-ranging capabilities; it makes use of everything from satellite imagery to email monitoring to phone conversations. Better security may well be necessary, and this system, if properly used, improves (digital and internet) security!? The Nigerian minister of Information and Communication deems it appropriate to, now and then, deny that the system monitors politicians and ordinary citizens.

Political elites spy on electoral rivals and influence the outcome of elections, government appointments, and contract assignments. (H)

Capabilities applied to the max!

Most national intelligence organizations are initially not interested in communications of one average citizen. Therefore we asked some more likely persons of interest, a few Business leaders, PEPs, and some members of the National Assembly. Even though we know some do (unwittingly?) profit from the systems(H), most underestimated and confirmed the usual misunderstandings about the system's capabilities, who use it and to what end, by saying:

"YES, I KNOW THEY RECORD OUR CONVERSATIONS, SO WHAT!? NIGERIAN SECURITY SERVICES WOULDN'T KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN, LET ALONE UNDERSTAND WHAT IS MEANT BY WHAT WE SAY".



All the president's women

No cabal in my govt, Buhari tells wife



Nexus - Organized Crime - Politics

For decades Nigerians are internationally notorious for 419 Advance Fee Fraud. There is no one with an email address that never received a fraudulent proposal from a Nigerian fraudster. Advance Fee Fraud is the third industry in Nigeria. It is not out of the ordinary that 5% of a population is involved with crime and causes damage to thousands of victims. Still, if that 5 % is involved with fraudulent proposals so endemic that it results in millions of victims around the globe, it is no longer a safety risk but a threat to national security. (ULTRASCAN-AGI)



Until 2002 these proposals were about Nigeria's natural resources and allegedly involved Nigeria's government institutions, Oil companies, and such. Forged government documents support the credibility of the projects. For most of those fake deals, there was, until recent years, no conclusive evidence that <u>a significant number</u> of high ranking government officials were involved. (ULTRASCAN-AGI)

With the growth of the internet from 2003, Nigerian fraud got an exponential international boost. And because fraudulent proposals involving Nigeria stopped to be a convincing theme, a stream of Nigerian fraudsters moved and started to operate from other English speaking countries and countries where English is a preferred foreign language. These days, about the only place on earth without 419 fraud cells is Antarctica - for now, anyway. (ULTRASCAN-AGI)

Corrupt government officials and organized crime facilitate each other

Between 2007 and 2019, we monitored several suspected and convicted Nigerian fraudsters traveling on government airplanes(H)(T). Also in the entourage of Nigerian presidents on trips to the annual meetings of (not limited to!) the World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos, African Development Bank (AfDB) in Cote D' Ivoire and the United Nations (U.N.) in New York(H)(T). On occasion, under cover of diplomatic immunity, often supported by staff in a Nigerian embassy (High Commission) (H)(T). NEEDLESS TO SAY, THAT GIVES FRAUDSTERS, THE CREDIBILITY TO DEFRAUD EVEN THE MOST EXPERIENCED AND PRUDENT TARGET. (ULTRASCAN-AGI)

On other occasions since 2009, we regularly noticed government ministers using the private planes, owned by suspects/convicts of serious fraud and money laundering, to obscure their destination and business(H)(T). IN ONE CASE -BUT NOT LIMITED TO!, TRANSPORT OF CASH PAYMENT TO A PRIVATE MILITARY COMPANY -PMC- PROVIDING ARMED COMBAT. (H) (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

It is quite telling how the luck of Nigerian government officials can take a sudden turn because today, some of those government ministers are wanted/convicted for defrauding the state.

Nexus - Organized Crime - Terrorism

Since the internet boost in 2003, Nigerian fraud has grown into a billion-dollar industry with cells in nearly every country on earth. From 2009 the top billionaire and sub-top millionaire crime bosses ran out of options to invest in their home country, thus diversified into other criminal endeavor's. In doing so making;

Nigeria is the preferred transit country for traffickers in drugs, arms, and stolen goods from North and Latin America, Asia, and South Africa – to other African countries, the Middle East, and Europe. (ULTRASCAN HUMINT, ULTRASCAN FIU)

Follow the money - Anonymous payment methods

In the corrupt society of Nigeria, transnational money laundering is a necessity and on an industrious scale facilitated by many local and national governments, international banks, change offices, oil companies, in-export companies, churches, telecom, and bandwidth providers, etcetera.



The goal of the Anti-Money Laundering Directives is to create more transparency in banking after the revelation of corruption and tax evasion practices by some of the world's wealthiest people. It's also a measure against terrorism as anonymous payment methods, e.g., **prepaid cards** were used by organized crime to invest anonymously and by terrorists during the preparation of terror attacks.

During investigations within the Nexus Politics-Organized Crime-Terrorism, we recorded payments, notable from (not limited to!) Lebanon, Somalia, South-Africa for arms shipments to (not limited to!) Nigeria, Sudan, and Somalia. (H)(T) (ULTRASCAN HUMINT, ULTRASCAN-FIU)

The NEXUS terrorism, Nigerian organized crime, including illicit arms and weapons trafficking, is a severe threat to international peace and security. (ULTRASCAN-AGI, ULTRASCAN-FIU)

The First Lady Aisha Buhari

The spouses of Nigerian Presidents lose all influence once their husband is no longer in office, until?

"she belongs to my kitchen and my living room and the other room."





Underestimated one-woman-powerhouse

It isn't predictable how long president Buhari will be in office, and Mrs. Buhari is continuously repositioning herself, preparing for scenarios of her husband (temporary) disabled or diseased. She is a one-woman-powerhouse. A mighty force and believes she can be Vice President or Minister to Cabinet on the North-East where the main issues are oil and Boko Haram. (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

Her power lies in the fact that the men in power underestimate her. They can't see past her "lack of education" and her veil. SHE IS THE MASTER REPRESENTATIVE OF "THE CABAL" WITHIN THE NIGERIAN PRESIDENCY. During the absence of her husband, President Buhari, she pragmatically changed from blocking VP Osinbajo and his wife for months, to be their ally in 5 days. (Ultrascan HUMINT)

Criminal ecosystem or very fond of her privacy?

While a stay in London arranged by the Nigerian High Commission is comfortable and at no cost for the First Lady, she prefers to rent luxury apartments in London.

Cash and anonymous credit from the diaspora

Once her husband won the 2015 elections, business and organized crime started to court his wife for government favors. The embassy isn't the appropriate place for meddling in her husband's matters of state. That called for an apartment with privacy and royal neighbors.

Family, Friends and business partners visited. Millions in cash payments and **prepaid cards** delivered to her. Counting the cash takes time, the need for assistance that can be trusted. Family. The local money changer, who will take the money off your hands, is overwatching the count. (H)(T)

Apartments

Before 2015 - Mayfair rental July 2015 - Knightsbridge rental Beaufort gardens September 2015 - Parklane rental – for one month April 2016 - apartment off Edgeware road – still in use July 2018 - Regents park – still in use



First Lady, what's in the bag?

On occasion, she went to pay the rent of (ten) thousands of pounds. She arrived with a bag filled with unopened envelopes from U.S. and Canadian financial institutions holding prepaid cash credit cards. She opened one after the other and used the cards to pay the amount in full. (ULTRASCAN FIU)

For you a bag and you a bag and one for you and you

Friends said to have received top-segment luxury designer bags as a gift if they first used it to transport millions of cash to Dubai. (*Other, yet unrelated, investigations reveal similar expensive bags used to smuggle illegal drugs from the AfPak region and Nigeria to Europe.*) (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)



Nasiru Danu trip with a phony passport

Arrested at Heathrow Airport for using a fake passport and money laundering. Allegedly Mrs. Buhari sent Nasiru Danu to Nigeria on 24 hour round trip - Heathrow - Abuja - Dubai – Heathrow to pick up cash.



Tinubu and Amaechi the puppet players

Bola Tinubu

The national leader of the APC during the presidency of Muhammadu Buhari is regularly referred to as "THE OWNER OF THE EFCC."

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bola_Tinubu

In February 2020, Tinubu and Ganduje, the Kano governor, discussed the future of the Emir of Kano, Sanusi



9:27 am · 21 Feb 20 · Twitter for Android

Rotimi Amaechi

Former governor of Rivers State and recent campaign chief to President Muhammadu Buhari has acquired the nickname "THE KING OF FAKE NEWS." https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rotimi_Amaechi

Fake news controversy

Established news organizations steadily lost their grip on the younger generations who take in there news via social media. It is undeniable that also older respected news outlets are used as a political and ideological instrument for groups and individuals to get their point across. Nigeria isn't a unique example of governments controlling the news cycle via leading media outlets, of which the owner often also is one of the campaign financiers.

The government labels producers and publishers of fake news in social media as enemies of national cohesion.

Everybody does it, even, or especially Presidents

Analysis and Humint reveal that both the President and Vice President use professional organizations to induce or overcome fake news via social media. President Buhari used an organization in Turkey and Vice President Osinbajo, one in Ukraine. Browsing for more high profile Nigerians using these organizations, we stumbled on the names Tinubu and Amaechi.



President Muhammadu Buhari

I'M NOT SIGNING THE PROCEEDS OF CRIME LAW



Ambitious plans blocked by an economic crisis

The president came into office with elaborate layouts, lifting a hundred million Nigerians out of poverty, Nigeria's economy, its role in Africa and the world. However, he did not anticipate pushback from the international community. Within weeks the country suffered its worst economic crisis in years caused by lower oil prices and "depreciation of its currency." (ULTRASCAN KPO)

Health issues - Chinese stem cell treatment

The president has serious health issues. He requires regular medical check-ups and one particular treatment for which he's no longer to return to London by March/May 2020. The type of treatment is not considered a cure but suppresses symptoms and increases the quality of life. For check-ups and medicine, the president visited a private clinic in London and stayed nearby! The Chinese built a clinic in a house in Abuja for him to receive Stem cell treatment. (H)(T) (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

Corruption - are they all genuinely corrupt, even the unborn?

In all countries, there are corrupt members of national and local governments that profit from deals with the private sector or other governments. If it isn't obvious, that only means the machinations are more refined and concealed. In countries where corruption is rampant, it often starts with the normalization of rewarding the brokering of transactions without adding value (the African 10%). It ends with doing deals that have no real value at all except for the diverted payments and rewards for the persons involved.





! Zero tolerance for corruption ?

In Nigeria, its standard practice for politicians to reward loyalty and support with government contracts or jobs. Over the years, It has become a way of payment. That system eventually led to the situation of the government entering contracts without adding real value and paying tens of thousands of staff that never worked or even once attended. At the end of that spectrum, one finds even unborn Nigerians as paid government employees. (ULTRASCAN AGI)

Anti-corruption promises - Politically motivated

President Buhari signed into law several anti-corruption laws that passed through the National Assembly. Those laws have a countrywide focus, and the government, when setting priorities for Law Enforcement, controls its effectiveness, which also leads to politically motivated investigations and prosecutions.

The Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering (FATF), named Nigeria as non-cooperative in the international community's efforts to fight money laundering.



The Proceeds Of Crime law - POC

President Buhari promised Nigerians and the international community a Proceeds Of Crime law (POC) that enabled internationally retrieving proceeds of crime and monies stolen from the coffers of the state by his predecessors. However, by the time that the POC law had passed through the National Assembly, it had become apparent that the POC law would also target many inside his government and personal eco-systems, and he refused to sign that for Nigeria fundamental law. (ULTRASCAN FIU)

All eyes on the prize (oil)

Higher up in the food chain, a recent example, people without qualifications whatsoever that staffed Presidential campaigns got into positions where they are collecting oil blocs and defense contracts.

Nigeria's corrupt and criminal all have their eyes on the prize, the oil in the North-East of Nigeria.

Assassination plots within a handshake distance

The most obvious threat is expressed repeatedly by Shekau, the leader of the terrorist group Boko Haram-BH1. It led to increased security measures making it close to impossible to attack the president from the outside. Thus: Boko Haram developed capabilities for an attack from the inside! (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

During the president's first term, some cabinet members worked for the good of the country. But in this second term, the President's personal, business, government, and presidential eco-systems are filled with corrupt individuals and criminals who rob the system blind.

A common problem for every Head of State and government is the lust for power inside the executive branch hidden by a veil of lies. It is unclear if President Buhari is aware of the threats posed by having the Nexus terrorism-Organized Crime at a handshake distance. (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

With only criminal minds around him, Boko Haram is not the only one capable and preparing for an untimely end of his presidency. Vice president, the First Lady,

The death threat by Boko Haram is the most amplified and ideal for others to hide behind



Nigeria's politics has entered a killing phase

The use of small weapons in the public domain is growing even the use of weaponized drones were reported in Lagos and Kaduna state.



Personnel of the Nigerian Army Department of Military Intelligence at the local wing of the Murtala Muhammed Airport, Ikeja, Lagos, have arrested a man for having two highly weaponized drones. Upon interrogation at the National Air Defense Corps, Ikeja, the suspect claimed to be working for the Kaduna State Government.

FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALED THAT COMMANDER OF NADC, AIR COMMODORE U.K ABDULLAH, LATER RECEIVED A CALL FROM SOME UNKNOWN PERSONS, WHO ORDERED HIM TO RELEASE THE MAN AND DRONES

Tradecraft murders

Political enemies, security staff, and witnesses meet with unfortunate accidental deaths (methods confirm tradecraft typical to the intelligence services!) or are just plainly assassinated before they can be interviewed by L.E. or appear in court. Both by order of federal as well as local government officials and business partners that fund/support their political campaigns.



Boko Haram1, Boko Haram2, and ISWAP

A decade of sustained presence and fear established Boko Haram as a reliable affiliate of al Qaeda Nigeria designated Al Qaeda headquarters (H)



In 2009 not a single Nigerian believed that Nigerians could be real terrorists and the insane possibility of Nigerian suicide bombers referred to the lunatic asylum

Boko Haram- Abubakar Shekau (BH1)

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice visited a series of African countries revealing the focus of the U.S. African Agenda. "Any OBSTACLE THAT THE AL QAIDA NETWORK FACES IN ITS EFFORT TO ACHIEVE ITS MISSION STATEMENT, THE AL QAIDA TERROR NETWORK IDENTIFIES AS A THREAT" The travels of Rice in Africa revealed that the U.S. would create such obstacles in this for the Al Qaida terror network key continent. (2008)

Al Qaeda messaged their network to support the Muslim minorities, send imams, offer Koran studies, donate to refurbish existing, and build new Mosques in Sub Sahara Countries. (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

Al Qaeda travelers from Europe *(messengers)* met with leaders of Al Shabaab and Boko Haram to offer substantial support and measure their willingness and capabilities to join the international jihad. The group commissioned studies to identify the social, economic weaknesses and strengths in east and west African countries. Local organized crime businesses were approached for their experience to facilitate trafficking and money laundering. (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

The travelers reported that AI Shabaab wasn't capable, and the leader of Boko Haram wasn't willing.



In 2009 **Mohammed Yusuf**, the leader of Boko Haram, was killed and replaced by **Abubakar Shekau** (*Abu Mohammed Abubakar bin Mohammad al-Sheikawi*). The small group was annexed and purged. (Maman Nur from Cameroon was seen as a risk and separated into Ansaru, with different rules of engagement) It befitted Al Qaeda's new policy, "Think Global, Act Local," and went fast forward with Phase I of the GSI doctrine, establishing fear and presence in Nigeria, by random killings. (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

GSI doctrine: Generic, Specific, International

1.1 Phase I Generic: Generic effective 'guerrilla marketing' by killing at random to establish presence and fear.

1.2 Phase II Specific: Attack Specific targets linked to the mission of Boko Haram 'all western influence is forbidden,' such as educational institutions, schools, universities.

1.3 Phase III International: Attacks in Europe/U.K. and other regions where Boko Haram and specific targets have a presence. Niger, Cameroon, Chad

Rules of engagement - Narratives

The rules of engagement aligned with the GSI doctrine. The narratives only allow for one-way communications and forbid two-way, that might show their locations. Therefore no actions that require an answer, thus no negotiations and no kidnappings for ransom!

Funding, supply chain, training of fighters, and P.R. are foreign organized.

Boko Haram must be considered the most advanced, well prepared, disciplined, and robust financed terror organization in 50 years. Very effective!



Boko Haram2 Nur - Barnawi

Boko Haram projects itself as an organization fighting for the greater good. In reality, similar to al-Qaeda or ISIS, it is also a name that different groups (can) hide behind and attach themselves to the Boko Haram 'brand' or rather, their P.R. infrastructure. It does not take a brilliant mind to think of ways to exploit this system. In Nigeria, stakeholders have enemies, and competitors are incredibly determined.

From 2009, attack after attack Boko Haram established presence and fear. Initially, not a single Nigerian believed that Nigerians could ever be terrorists. At first, the government handled it like most problems, denied the existence of a threat, and later tried to initiate talks or pretended to be negotiating. All facilitated by Politicians who control the media and the Editorial Boards.

But once the government used their P.R. machine to boast about successes in their fight against the terrorist, Boko Haram retaliated with more attacks and released statements that proved the government was lying, thus taking control over the news cycles initially initiated by the government.

For years the government was at a complete loss, and it took the Military until 2015 to become a somewhat worthy adversary of Boko Haram-BH1. Until then, the many failed attempts to stop Boko Haram-BH1 were cause for several strategic and tactical reviews. If nothing else works, the most successful counter-narrative is to fight the enemy from within or if that's not possible to create a copy. As Boko Haram proved not easy to find and impregnatable for undercovers or spies, this is where a copy Boko Haram-BH2 comes in.



Since 2012 the Nigerian Military made some efforts to simulate Boko Haram's actions. The government goal for Boko Haram (BH2) was first to regain a firm hold over their beloved news cycles, second to use the brand to its advantage, and last but not least, get access to other international groups. The latter would theoretically earn them a place at the global C.T. intelligence table. However, their version of Boko Haram-BH2

from 2012 was not a success. Mistakes were abundant, and Nigeria's BH2 operation was the laughingstock in the intelligence world.

That said, their efforts between 2015 and 2018 had a more solid basis. And today, Boko Haram BH2 is not top-notch but fully operational under the brands of Boko Haram (BH2) and ISWAP. For now, It can claim and keep the news cycle when they see fit and act in ways that the original Boko Haram BH1 does not. Thus, diverting blame from themselves onto Boko Haram BH1, and mostly, unsuspecting groups of people who flock to the Boko Haram 'ideals'. Leaving the real and more skilled/intelligent perpetrators in the dark behind the shadow of Boko Haram were crime becomes ideology!

That leaves the imagination to wander. Was an attack on the work of a competitor? Foreign Intelligence Service? Terror group? Or was it the group that has been working under the Boko Haram name in the past? Nigeria's Military creates "Boko Haram 2" (BH2).

Government and Boko Haram2 synchronized statements

Since 2009 there were many P.R. attempts to undermine the leadership of Shekau's Boko Haram BH1, indiscriminately echoed by analysts and media. In a more recent P.R. attempt, the statements of BH2 and the government were synchronized and somewhat better substantiated.





Both announced that not the leader of Ansaru, Mamman Nur, but Abu Musab al-Barnawi (BH2) was the new leader of Boko Haram replacing Shekau (BH1), and they recruited fighters for BH2 from (not limited to!) captured members of BH1 in prison. There are few actual results in the realm of terrorism that speak for al-Barnawi, allegedly the son of Mohammed Yusuf.





ISWAP – an additional brand for foreign fighters

In support of the global jihad, the ISWAP brand "covers" inflow of experienced foreign fighters once they arrived via North Africa, Mali, Burkina Faso. (H)(T) Mamman Nur (from Cameroon) is linked with al Qaeda training facilities and the Islamic State (ISIS terrorism tactics as criminal method) P.R. machine.

In Africa, ISIS is strategically weaker then al Qaeda. AL QAIDA'S LEADING WORK IN AFRICA WAS TO BUILD AN EXTENSIVE BASE OF LOCAL SUPPORT IN GROWING MUSLIM COMMUNITIES OF SUB SAHARA AFRICA – EVENTUALLY TO HAVE CONTROL OVER THE JIHADIST. Next to that, it maintains the training camps in strategic locations from Sudan to South Africa. (H)(T).



Kidnapping hundreds of schoolgirls?

The kidnapping of Chibok schoolgirls by Boko Haram BH1

News that Boko Haram kidnapped hundreds of schoolgirls from Chibok started to hit mainstream media on the day when Shekau was releasing a statement claiming yet another bomb attack in Abuja with hundreds of victims. He didn't know about the kidnap of hundreds of schoolgirls from Chibok (ULTRASCAN HUMINT).

Bring me, cooks

The fact is, he asked a couple of his men to get girls to do the cooking for the group. Immediately after, local witnesses confirmed that on the night of April 14-15, 2014, at the time of the abduction, there were a total of 10 girls in the school compound, of which ONLY SEVEN (7) ARRIVED IN THE CAMP OF BOKO HARAM. (ULTRASCAN HUMINT)

Abuja bombings

On 14 April 2014, at about 6:45 am, Explosives hidden inside vehicles detonated during morning rush hour in a bus station in Nyanya on the outskirts of Abuja. After the initial blasts, further explosions occurred as fuel tanks in nearby vehicles ignited, killing at least 88 people and injuring at least 200. Boko Haram claimed responsibility for the bombing six days after it occurred



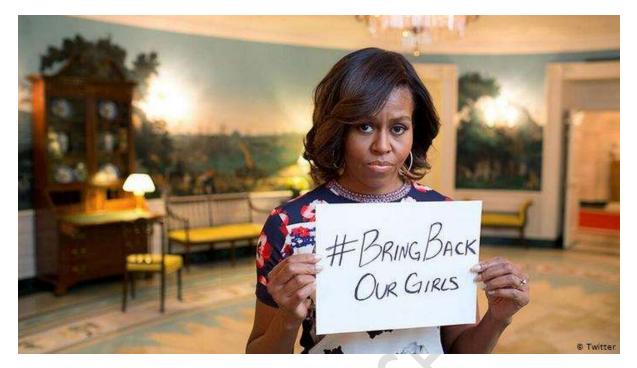
—THE VIDEO RELEASED ON 19 APRIL, CLAIMING RESPONSIBILITY FEATURED THE GROUP'S LEADER ABUBAKAR SHEKAU. NOT MENTIONING HUNDREDS OF KIDNAPPED GIRLS!

On 2 May 2014, another car bomb attack rocked Nigerian capital. On 15 May 2014, The British-born man Aminu Sadiq Ogwuche arrested in Sudan on suspicion of being one of the masterminds behind the 14 April bombings in Nigeria.

Media frenzy

After Shekau prepared his statement concerning the bombing attack in Abuja, it took a couple of days for him to get informed and adjust to the magnitude of the international media frenzy about the hundreds of schoolgirls that his group supposedly kidnapped. In the weeks and months after the kidnap, he spoke in general terms about abducted girls and that he could or would sell them, but he never confirmed or claimed to have the high number of girls that his Boko Haram supposed to have taken and held captive.





Bring Back Our Girls

On 2 May 2014, police said: "IT IS STILL UNCLEAR AS TO THE EXACT NUMBER OF STUDENTS KIDNAPPED." They asked parents to provide documents so an official count could be made, "as school records are damaged in the attack."

On 4 May, the Nigerian President, **GOODLUCK JONATHAN**, spoke publicly about the kidnapping for the first time, saying the government was doing everything it could to find the missing girls. At the same time, he **BLAMED PARENTS FOR NOT SUPPLYING ENOUGH INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR MISSING CHILDREN TO THE POLICE.**

Also, President Buhari was reluctant to make a fuzz about the kidnap until forced to react by the international community, and the investigation eventually turned into a search for hundreds of kidnapped girls. After years of a still-ongoing search, President Buhari, or his wife Aisha, who uses any media attention to better position herself, proudly presented the families of 5 (five) of the girls abducted from the school compound in Chibok.

Only families of 5 missing girls

They were calling for family members to report and confirm that their daughter, sister, niece, or even a close friend was missing. Many made extensive efforts to find and verify the high number of hundreds of kidnapped schoolgirls. No one, the government, reporters, detectives, found more than the families of the same five girls.



The kidnapping of Dapchi schoolgirls by Boko Haram BH2

During the evening of Monday, 19 February 2018. Presumably, fighters of Boko Haram arrived in the town of Dapchi, Yobe State. They headed for the Government Girls Science and Technical College, fleeing a little while later. Initially, officials said that no-one was missing. But a week later, authorities admitted "the Islamist extremists" took 110 schoolgirls. So, what exactly was going on?

Families insisted their daughters were missing

Officials and reporters verified the number of 105 kidnapped schoolgirls by getting confirmation of family members that their daughter, sister, or niece was missing.



A video surfaced on the internet, allegedly of the captured girls all in stainless garments, keeping alive the news surrounding the kidnap in the media and allowing the government to comment.

Five weeks later, 101 schoolgirls were released and found by the side of a road. A Christian girl remained captive.

The Federal Government reported that The "Boko Haram terrorist group" rejected the ransom offered to secure the release of Leah Sharibu.



Methods

(H) – facts gleaned from a suspect or reported by witnesses inside the ecosystems of the suspect.

(T) – hardcopy, video, or sound recordings in combination with digital identification of the location and suspect.

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'Deep Cycle' Intelligence deliverables

Ultrascan HUMINT operations code name 'Deep Cycle' continues to reveal specific objectives.

- 1) Boko Haram strategy
- 2) Boko Haram execution framework
- 3) Boko Haram long-term target focus
- 4) Boko Haram short-term hit list
- 5) Boko Haram modus operandi regarding operations
- 6) Boko Haram communications regarding activities
- 7) Boko Haram movements within Nigeria
- 8) Boko Haram hideouts
- 9) Boko Haram agents
- 10) Boko Haram financing sources
- 11) Boko Haram infiltration methods within the Public sector
- 12) Assessment of Boko Haram suspected supporters within organizations/ agencies
- 13) Boko Haram disruption activity capabilities (limited to local activities)
- 14) Boko Haram strategy alignment with cross border affiliates
- 15) Boko Haram leadership focus assessment

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