

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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UPDATE ON TERRORIST ATTACK IN TITAO, BURKINA FASO INVOLVING GHANAIAN NATIONALS AND NEW TRAVEL GUIDELINES

The Government of the Republic of Ghana regrets to inform that the recent jihadist attack of 14th February, 2026 in Titao, in the northern province of Burkina Faso has now claimed eight Ghanaian lives.

Initially, seven members of the Ghana National Tomatoes Traders and Transporters Association who were engaged in lawful trading activities in the Titao area were attacked and killed by the terrorists.

The latest victim, also a member of the Association, was one of four compatriots who sustained serious injuries and were receiving medical treatment before succumbing.

President John Mahama and the Government of Ghana convey profound commiserations to the families and loved ones of all who have lost their lives.

The Government of Ghana strongly condemns this mindless act of terror and expresses its solidarity with the Government and people of Burkina Faso in this dark hour.

This despicable horror must remind us of the urgent need for a new collective approach in pursuing regional security as Ghana has consistently called for, and which we reiterated at last month's High-Level Consultative Conference on Regional Cooperation and Security hosted by President John Mahama.

On the instructions of President Mahama and with competent medical consultations, the Government of Ghana has decided to immediately conduct medical evacuation by air of all Ghanaian victims in Burkina Faso. The victims are expected in Ghana later today.

The Ghana Airforce is carrying out the medevac.

Ghana's Ambassador in Burkina Faso and our Embassy staff are actively seized with the matter and maintaining direct contact with our injured compatriots.

We acknowledge the full cooperation of the Government of Burkina Faso in granting necessary approvals to facilitate Government's interventions aimed at protecting our citizens.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has outlined new guidelines for travel to high-risk areas within our sub-region.

Ghana's Embassies and High Commissions in selected jurisdictions are on high consular alert.

The Government of Ghana wishes to advise Ghanaians who intend to embark on essential travels to areas of concern to first contact the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or our Embassies accredited to the territories they wish to visit for necessary guidance.

For Ghanaians already living in jurisdictions which are of concern and where violent extremism attacks have been recorded, we recommend that movement be restricted and that one maintains regular communication with our Embassies including providing emergency contacts and ensuring that identification documents are accessible at all times to expedite the provision of consular assistance when the need arises.

The Government of Ghana assures that we are closely monitoring the situation and remain in contact with relevant authorities to safeguard the welfare of our citizens.

The safety, security, and well-being of Ghanaians remain our utmost priority and further updates would be provided in this matter as and when necessary.

Citizens in distress or requiring urgent consular assistance should reach out to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs via the following:

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