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| **Security Incident Report** |  |

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| |  | | --- | | **Perpetrator(s):** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | Description Or Name | 5 armed men; unknown | | Nationality |  | | Age | Unknown | | Gender | Male | | Affiliation | Unknown | | Sector | Unknown | | Likely Motive | Greed | | Status | At-large | |
| |  | | --- | | **Victim(s):** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | Description Or Name | XXXXX (driver- hired vehicle) XXXXX (XXXXX - Elwak) and A son to one of Elwak staff(Nutrition) | | Nationality | Kenya | | Age | Unknown | | Gender | Male | | Affiliation | Staff | | Sector | XXXX Staff | | Status | Non-remarkable | |
| |  | | --- | | **Outcomes:** | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Program Disruption | Minor: the disruption may last less than one day | | Property Damage | None: the property damage is absent or its extent is negligible | | Deaths | None | | Injuries | None | |
| |  | | --- | | **Remedy / Prevention:** | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Material Recovery | Not likely: the lost material may not be likely recovered | | Trend | No: the incident is random | | Impact | Minor: the impact is minor | |
| |  | | --- | | **Incident Description:** | | • The driver of the affected vehicle (KAV 737W) one Mr. XXXX and XXXXX (XXXXX- Elwak) informed me that it was around 1000 hrs on the morning of Sunday the 4th of April, and they were travelling towards Wajir town when some 7 kilometres after Tarbaj centre, the driver of the hired vehicle saw a landcruiser driving from Wajir town and was coming on his side of the road with a deliberate intention of obstructing them. • The driver swerved off the road and tried to speed but the said landcruiser had made a turn and was on his tail. Realizing he could not escape, the driver stopped the vehicle when the said landcruiser which was following overtook and stopped in front of their vehicle. • One person alighted from the landcruiser with an AK 47 gun and ordered the occupants in the hired vehicle to alight with their arms raised, which they willingly obliged. • They were all blindfolded, hands tied behind their backs and led some distance off the road (approximately 200 metres according to the driver). Meanwhile, others drove both the landcruiser with the armed men and the hired vehicle to where they were ordered to lie facing down. • At that stage, the armed men ransacked their pockets stealing money and mobile phones. Meanwhile, no one was assaulted or harmed in any way by the armed men. • Approximately some 30 minutes later, the driver of the hired vehicle noticed it was very quiet and tried to set his hands free. He managed to free himself and the rest of the group i.e. XXXXand the son to one of XXXX employees. • At this point, they noticed that their vehicle had all of its four tyres deflated but not damaged. • The driver drove the vehicle on flat tyres to the main road and shortly, an army lorry came to the scene. They explained to the army officers what had happened. They agreed amongst themselves that XXXXX rides in the army lorry to Wajir town while the driver waits on the scene with the boy for help from Wajir. • Previously, a XXXX owned vehicle registration XXXX XXX also travelling towards Elwak had passed the hired vehicle few kilometres from Tarbaj town. According to the driver, he waved them on since they did not have any problem. • I was informed at around 1100 hrs of what had happened and when I went to the police station, I found XXXXXX (XXX), XXXXXX (XXXX), XXXXXX (XXXX) and XXXXX (FO) who was recording a statement at the police OB concerning the incident. • I mobilized some two vehicles to ferry police escort (permission had been granted by XXXXX) and the other vehicle to carry XXXX rescue staff. The vehicles had not left Wajir town when the driver of hired vehicle appeared at police station. • He informed us that a transport lorry had come to the scene approximately some 2 hours after the incident, and assisted him with a mobile pump thus enabling him to drive to Wajir town. • The driver of hired vehicle was requested by police to accompany them to the scene the same evening which he did. The following morning, he went to the station and recorded a statement about the incident. • On the same Monday morning, police came to XXXXX compound and took a statement from XXXXX. • The driver informed me that one of their assailants had trousers that looked like army fatigues but he cannot confirm the same as he was terrified. In the same light, the driver confirmed that there were 5 assailants in the landcruiser with only the driver being a local. • Today, I spoke to Wajir police station OCS one Mr. Ogwang who assured me that they have commenced investigations and are still taking statements from local members of the community claiming to have been victims of the same attackers, so far they have taken statements from 12 people. • He also mentioned (in passing) that there are people claiming to have lost some colossal amounts of money (read 2 million) to the same assailants. He has advised caution as they continue with their investigations. |
| |  | | --- | | **Action Taken:** | | • I immediately mobilized a mobile pump with two vehicles to form the rescue team to the incident site. |
| |  | | --- | | **Follow up:** | | • There is need to have all drivers and partners working with XXXXX to be aware of mandatory operational protocols in all situations such as the one that occurred. I therefore propose trainings and awareness sessions covering the same be conducted ASAP. • To improve our ways of working (WOW), we should have adequate and timely communication between offices since, Wajir office was not aware that the Elwak team was passing through. This will aid in terms of sharing security information that could ameliorate some of this incidences. • Need for trainings on convoy procedures and responsibilities of trip leader. Reviewed by XXXXXX pending further amendments. |