



## THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CONGO

### BOGA DIOCESE

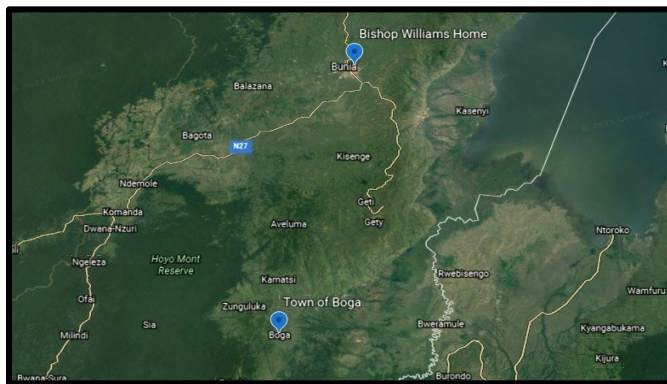
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## THE BOGA SITUATION AFTER THE 30 JUNE ADF/NALU ATTACK

### INTRODUCTION



*The map of Boga, I have a house in Boga and Bunia.*

Those who got some of my previous reports saw this map I wish to start with to show you where Boga is situated. I will not make many comments about it, only to let you know that Boga is between the Beni region in the South, Uganda in the East, and the blue mountains in the in the North. The region is a ground for multiple armed groups, first due to community conflicts. The worst of it is the ADF/NALU Ugandan and Islamist terrorist group. The local communities in the region, for some reason or the other ally with this evil force to cause harm. That is what happened to Boga in the last days, worst atrocities and crimes are being committed to a large scale. That is combined with the inability of the Kinshasa Government to assure the security of the population, the rule of law and strong hand of the state.

### DEVELOPPEMENT

What happened in Boga on the night of 30<sup>th</sup> were clearly crimes of war, crimes against humanity. The very first victims were the displaced people in the camp, the sick in the hospital and unarmed civilians. Their killing was of extreme violence, people tied up and thrown in burning houses, body parts cut into pieces and thrown apart. The extreme was the burning down and looting the Boga hospital newly built by the diocese of Boga with the funding of MSF (Doctors Without Borders). I believe some of you will get images from the media and socio media.



With all that happening, people have got no other option than leave the region to seek safety. Many are moving towards Bunia, and some few crossing to Uganda. The Boga region is the only place with the highest concentration of the Anglican population of the Anglican Church in Congo. It is estimated that more than 10,000 people are in a move. What we did as a church is to assist those who are leaving, diocesan staff and their families, children, and vulnerable people. Many of them are in host families, church structures. The host families are also poor and live on hand to mouth daily basis.



## CONCLUSION

Some people ask me what we are doing and how they can assist. This morning we are moving to identify the host families, the structures where they are located and offer a basic package of food and non-food items we can afford. It is estimated that more than 5,000 people left Boga. On a personal positive note, I want to inform you that my niece Adrienne was released this morning and is in the hands of the army and police.

In a special note, I want to thank those who have supported us in the past without mentioning their names. If there is anything one wants to offer, I will give the diocesan bank account to whoever wish to support with money. Let us remind ourselves that our God cares, he has a good plan Jeremiah 29:11-13.

Bunia, June 10, 2022

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