

Media release

Okomu Board of Directors assures all shareholders of keeping the company running just as it commiserates with the families of the 3 employees who died in recent attacks from hoodlums.

Monday 13th May 2024.

On the 6 of May, some unidentified hoodlums killed 3 rubber plantation workers who had gone on their daily routine. Also, in the late hours of 7 of May, the company was again subjected to another attack by hoodlums who injured four workers.

We, the Management and Board of Directors of The Okomu Oil Palm Company Plc (the "Company"), deeply regret to inform the public of the deplorable incidents that occurred on the premises of our esteemed Company situated at Okomu-Udo Ovia South-West L.G.A, Edo State on the 6th and 7th of May 2024.

On the 6th of May 2024, our Company suffered a vicious attack orchestrated by yet to be identified hoodlums, resulting in the tragic loss of 3 of our dedicated rubber plantation workers. Our hearts go out to the families and loved ones of the deceased, and we extend our sincerest condolences during this time of profound grief.

Furthermore, in the late hours of the 7th of May 2024, our Company was subjected to yet another assault by hoodlums resulting in injuries to 4 of our workers. Thankfully, due to the swift response of our security personnel, the attackers were repelled before further harm could be inflicted upon our employees or property.

These sad events are quite unusual in the history of our operations and the motives behind the reprehensible acts remain unknown at this time. However, we reported the events swiftly and are actively collaborating with law enforcement agencies to thoroughly investigate these incidents and ensure that those responsible are brought to justice. On our part, we are taking measures to enhance our security protocol, to forestall the reoccurrence of these incidents.

In light of these distressing events, we call upon the Government of Edo State to intervene and take decisive action to prevent the recurrence of such acts of violence. We urge all relevant government authorities to enhance security measures in the vicinity of our operations and to apprehend the perpetrators swiftly.

The safety and well-being of our employees, stakeholders, and the wider community are of paramount importance to us. We remain steadfast in our

commitment to maintaining a secure environment for our operations and personnel.

We assure our shareholders that we will continue to do the needful to safeguard their investment and ensure the Company keeps running securely and profitably.

We urge the general public to maintain calm while the investigations are ongoing. We understand the concerns and anxieties that may arise from such events, but it is crucial that we allow the authorities to conduct their investigations unhindered.

We appreciate the continued support and understanding of our shareholders, stakeholders, and the public during this challenging time. Together, we will overcome these challenges and emerge stronger than ever.

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