

RELEASE IN PART B6

From: Rice, Susan E (USUN) <RiceSE@state.gov>
Sent: Saturday, April 9, 2011 10:07 AM
To: H; Sullivan, Jacob J; Carson, Johnnie
Cc: BStrider [redacted]
Subject: Re: Hey Boss... Methodist Bishop Benjamin Boni in the Ivory Coast...

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I am told that SRSG Choi's COS spoke to the Bishop a couple of hours ago. The Bishop indicated that the situation has now "calmed down" and that they prefer to stay where they are. Choi is in regular contact with Amb. Phil Carter on this and other cases.

From: H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 07:13 PM
To: Sullivan, Jacob J; Carson, Johnnie; Rice, Susan E (USUN)
Cc: 'BStrider' [redacted]
Subject: Fw: Hey Boss... Methodist Bishop Benjamin Boni in the Ivory Coast...

Can we get word to the UN to look into this?

From: Burns Strider [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 06:42 PM
To: H
Subject: Hey Boss... Methodist Bishop Benjamin Boni in the Ivory Coast...

Is reaching out for help... see below from Jim Winkler over at the General Board...

From: Jim Winkler <[redacted]>
Date: Thu, 7 Apr 2011 18:33:30 -0400
To: Burns Strider <[redacted]>
Subject: Bishop Benjamin Boni

Burns,
 The United Methodist bishop in Ivory Coast, Benjamin Boni, and his family are trapped in his residence in Abidjan five minutes from the presidential palace in the midst of the heaviest fighting. He has sent word for help.

The bishop may be in the church's radio station, Voice of Hope. The radio station (La Voix de L'Esperance, FM 101.6) is on the same grounds as the bishop's residence and the church. The address is: Cocody, Cour du Temple Jubile', 01 BP 1282 Abidjan 01.

Peace,
 Jim