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Video shows French family captive under Boko Haram terrorist group

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USPA News - A video showing suspected Islamic terrorists holding captive a French family that was reportedly abducted last week went viral on Monday. In the video, three adults and four children are seen surrounded by suspected members of the Boko Haram terrorist group.

One of the male adults reads in French that they had been taken hostage by Jama'atu Ahlis Sunna Lidda'awati wal-Jihad, who are asking for the liberations of their brothers, imprisoned in Cameroon, as well as the wives, imprisoned in Nigeria. The video shows the seven members of the family sitting on the ground and surrounded by camouflaged gunmen. A voice speaking in Arabic is later heard, claiming they are Boko Haram jihadists and warning the French president that they are fighting the war Hollande has declared on Islam. The suspected militants then warn Nigerian President Goodluck Jonathan that they will achieve victory in order to establish the State of Islam in the African country. In exchange for the French captives, they then ask for the liberation of their wives, demanding Cameroon to also free their brothers as soon as possible. The militant then warns that if any of the demands are not fulfilled, they are prepared to slaughter the French hostages. Last week, French President François Hollande confirmed the incident, saying a group of armed men kidnapped the a French family of seven members last Tuesday morning at around 7 a.m. local time at a village near the Waza national park. The family had been living in Yaounde, the capital of Cameroon. The children are aged, five, eight, ten, and twelve, and were taken hostage alongside their parents and uncle. The radical Islamic sect Boko Haram has been blamed for most of Nigeria's terrorist attacks. The group is seeking the imposition of an extremist stance of the Shariah law, which is a Muslim code of conduct. The group's name, in the local language of Hausa, roughly translates as 'Western religion is sacrilegious' or 'non-Islamic religion is a sin.'

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