

MNR KILL FIVE PUPILS

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SOUTH African-sponsored MNR bandits on Tuesday murdered five pupils and abducted more than 20 others from Jersey Secondary School in the eastern border town of Chipinge.

A worker at the school said that seven others were injured, one of them seriously, and were admitted to Chipinge District Hospital.

Chipinge police confirmed the death of five people and that others were in hospital.

The bandits went to the school between 1 am and 3 am on Tuesday and forced the pupils out of their dormitories. Most of those abducted later escaped and returned to the school.

The five were bayoneted to death and those in hospital had cuts in the heads. Some of them had their ears cut off.

The Prime Minister, Cde Mugabe, told Parliament earlier this month that Zimbabwe was concerned about the recent MNR activities along the eastern border, saying that more security forces would be deployed in the area. — Zana.