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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Threat Assessment

- Lagos State is assessed to be a high risk area for criminal activity due to its population density. An estimated 22 million people reside in Lagos. The high population of unemployed youths and people living in poverty in the state results in a high crime rate. Armed robbery incidents have increased since the beginning of 2016. While the Mainland is prone to crime, the Island inclusive of Victoria Island and Ikoyi records low to moderate crime rate.
- Expatriates working and living in Lagos are subjected to threats from terrorism, civil unrest, politically or ethnically motivated violence and petty crime.
- The mainland where Ikeja is located host multinational companies, financial institutions and high profile four and five star rated hotels. The presence of high profile individuals and corporate organisations ensures it benefits from regular government security patrol.
- The presence of high profile individuals, foreign missions and headquarters of many financial and multinational organisations in Nigeria provide regions such as Ikeja, Victoria Island and Ikoyi with regular government security patrol.
- Under-reporting remains a significant problem and prevents an accurate understanding of threats in the region and Lagos State.
- Although Lagos has not recorded any terrorist attack, the threat remains extant especially in the high-profile areas of Ikeja, Victoria Island and Ikoyi due to the presence of multinationals with Western interest.
- Adequate security cover is expected to mitigate the inherent risk associated with regular activities.



RENAISSANCE PROFILE

Renaissance Hotel is located on 38/40 Isaac John Street, Ikeja, in the Government Reservation Area (GRA). The GRA was originally designated as a residential area but development of the area has brought with it several businesses including hotels, finance houses, schools and other recreation service providers. A government security presence is prolific due to the number of hotels in the area.



SECURITY THREAT ASSESSMENT

The below section will consider threats specific to the location of the Renaissance Hotel. However, whilst the document seeks to remain succinct, wider threats to both Ikeja and other parts of the state will be considered to give an understanding of the potential implications for the site.

Lagos State Overview

Lagos State is assessed to be a high risk area for criminal activity due to its population density. An estimated 22 million people reside in Lagos. The high population of unemployed youths and people living in poverty in the state results in a high crime rate with the prevalence of armed robbery incidents since 2016. The presence of high profile hotels and eateries within Ikeja GRA and its environs makes the area benefit from constant government security patrols.

Lagos Mainland

Lagos mainland comprise of the following main district: Apapa, Ebute-Meta, Mushin, Surulere, Agege, Oshodi, Yaba and Ikeja. Ikeja is the capital of Lagos State and is the most exclusive residential area on the Lagos mainland. Ikeja was once a well-planned and quiet residential suburb, initially built during the colonial period to house the upper classes. Over the years Ikeja has also developed into a prime commercial and industrial area, with some houses being turned into office complexes. It is also home to Nigeria's main airport, Murtala Muhammed International Airport. Most roads in Ikeja are paved and the neighbourhood is seen as fairly secure.

Methodology

Risk is calculated as **likelihood** multiplied by **impact**. Both likelihood and impact are rated out of 5 for each threat. The likelihood and impact ratings are then multiplied together to produce a risk rating ranging from 0-25.

Crime

Organised crime

The threat from organised crime is linked to militancy in Lagos State and around the water front which steadily increased in May 2016. On 24th June 2016, approximately thirteen people were killed by suspected militants in Igbo-Olomu, Ikorodu, Lagos State. Following military operations within the Ikorodu area between July and September 2016, the number of reported militant activity has significantly reduced.

Lagos State

Organised Crime	Likelihood: 3.75 Impact: 3.25	Risk Rating: 12.18 (High)
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Ikeja GRA

Organised Crime	Likelihood: 3.0 Impact: 3.0	Risk Rating: 9.0 (Moderate)
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Petty crime

Opportunistic crime is considered moderate. A trend emerging is bag and mobile phone theft by criminals on motorbikes. Furthermore, a high rate of highway robbery has been reported recently especially on the thirdmainland bridge and Lekki regions during traffic jams. Criminals are also commonly recorded to target individuals after they have used an automated machine teller (ATM).

Lagos State

Petty Crime	Likelihood: 3.5 Impact: 2.25	Risk Rating: 11.68 (Moderate)
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Ikeja GRA

Petty Crime	Likelihood: 4.5 Impact: 3.0	Risk Rating: 10.12 (Moderate)
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Kidnapping

Kidnap for ransom is a security concern nationwide. Kidnapping is a lucrative industry for organised criminal syndicates who target wealthy Nigerians and expatriates. Individuals travelling to Murtala Mohammed International Airport are frequently targeted. Kidnapping is becoming increasingly common within Lagos due to the economic situation currently being experienced.

Lagos State

Kidnapping	Likelihood: 4.0 Impact: 2.7	Risk Rating: 11.0 (Moderate)
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Ikeja GRA

Kidnapping	Likelihood: 3.0 Impact: 3.75	Risk Rating: 11.25 (Moderate)
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Civil Unrest/Protest

Civil unrest and protests can occur sporadically throughout Lagos. The cause of civil unrest is varied, with poor university education standards, corruption and the high level of unemployment being the most frequently reported motive.

Lagos State

Civil Unrest	Likelihood: 4.0 Impact: 3.0	Risk Rating: 12.0 (Moderate)
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Ikeja GRA

Civil Unrest	Likelihood: 2.5 Impact: 2.25	Risk Rating: 5.6 (Low)
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Terrorism

While terrorism thrives in the Northern of Part of Nigeria, there has not been any terrorist related attack in Lagos. The threat of terrorism in Lagos is assessed as moderate though there have been reports of ex-Boko Haram fighters migration to the Lagos/Ikorodu area.

Lagos State

Terrorism	Likelihood: 3.25 Impact: 3.5	Risk Rating: 11.37 (Moderate)
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Ikeja GRA

Terrorism	Likelihood: 3.75 Impact: 2.25	Risk Rating: 12.18 (High)
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