## **Project Update: May 2003**

Last Friday night I was visited by a band of armed men. All my valuables have been taken and now, I need to start everything from zero. No matter what it would cost me, I am grateful because I am still alive and can do some work and nobody in my house was harmed.

In total, 9 houses were visited the same night and apart from my house, all the others were beaten and things taken. I alone was taken as captive and taken barefoot to the forest, walking until I was allowed to come back on Saturday evening. I have managed to recover many of my working papers and none of my data disks or CDs were taken. Their main focus was money, clothes, radios, mobile phones (mine was not taken because I threw it under a cupboard), things that can be carried such as computers, TVs, and even plates, food or other such things...