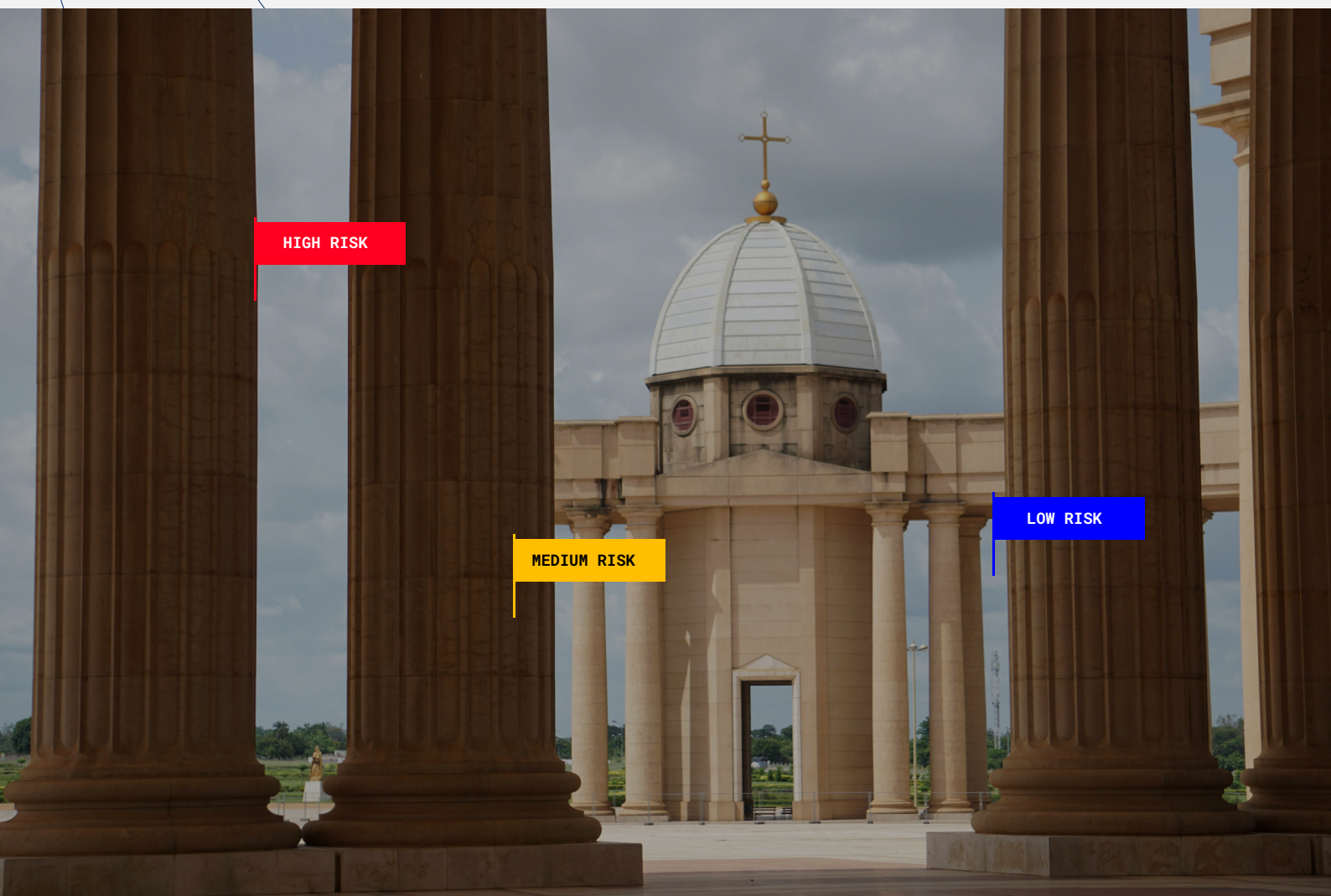
STARGRADE

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN

WEEK IN FOCUS:
SATURDAY 31st, OCTOBER -
FRIDAY 6th, NOVEMBER 2026



RISK SCORING KEY	
	Critical Risk
	High Risk
	Moderate Risk
	Low Risk

EXECUTIVE SNAPSHOT

WHAT CHANGED THIS WEEK

- The **Federal Ministry of Justice** confirmed **791 new terrorism convictions** from **Federal High Courts** following accelerated prosecution cycles (Nov. 4).
- **Operation Hadin Kai** airstrikes killed **16 ISWAP militants** and cleared enclaves in **Tunbunma, Borno State** (Oct. 27, initially unverified).
- Gunmen attacked **Sabon Angwa** village in **Barkin Ladi Local Government Area, Plateau State**, leaving **4 people dead** despite an active curfew (Oct. 29–30, initially unverified).
- The **Securities and Exchange Commission** mandated immediate asset freezes for designated entities, including **DCB Finance Limited**, under sanctions compliance rules (Oct. 27, initially unverified).
- The **Nigerian Communications Commission** reinforced mandatory type-approval checks through its **Device Checker** tool to block non-compliant or counterfeit mobile hardware (Oct. 31).
- The **Nigeria Police Force** concluded a **5-day Election Security Management Training Programme** in **Abuja**, part of a campaign to train **10,000 officers** nationwide (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- The **Central Bank of Nigeria** and **National Information Technology Development Agency** intensified oversight of data localization requirements ahead of key compliance milestones (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- The **Office of the National Security Adviser**, the **National Information Technology Development Agency**, and the **National Assembly** advanced proposed amendments to the **Cybercrime Executive Bill**, establishing frameworks for AI governance and commercial cyber resilience (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

INCIDENT & TREND SNAPSHOT

INDICATOR	STATUS
Notable Security Incidents	
Primary Hotspots	Borno State (Tunbunma Axis), Plateau State (Barkin Ladi Local Government Area), Anambra State
Kidnapping & Violent Crime	Elevated (Communal Attacks in Plateau State, Vehicle Theft and Highway Interdictions in Anambra State)
Infrastructure Disruption Risk	
Mobility Impact	North-Central: North-West: North-East: South-West: South-East: South-South:
Overall Impact Level	

SGS RISK SCORING

Risk Domain	Status
Mobility	
Physical Security	
Regulatory / Compliance	
Infrastructure	
Political	

SECURITY & RISK LANDSCAPE UPDATE

Risk Rating:

PHYSICAL SECURITY & PUBLIC SAFETY

Key Developments

- **Operation Hadin Kai** airstrikes killed **16 ISWAP militants** and cleared enclaves in **Tunbunma, Borno State** (Oct. 27, initially unverified), and sustained operations in **Lake Chad** and **Borno State** continued to reduce insurgent capabilities despite persistent localized threats (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- Gunmen attacked **Sabon Angwa** village in **Barkin Ladi, Plateau State**, leaving **4 people dead** despite an active curfew (Oct. 29–30, initially unverified), as rural communal attacks kept North Central risk elevated (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

- Security forces recovered stolen vehicles and intercepted illicit network assets in **Anambra State** (Oct. 28, initially unverified), while highway interdictions continued across its logistics routes (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- The **Federal Ministry of Justice** confirmed **791 new convictions** for terrorism offences (Nov. 4).

Corporate / Infrastructure Signals

- Heightened advisory requirements apply to cyber-attacks targeting financial data systems and cloud infrastructure (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- Rural-to-urban transit corridors in **North Central** states remain susceptible to localized curfews and security checkpoints, creating supply chain interruption risk (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

Staff Movement & Site Operations

- Security agencies advised organizations to re-evaluate journey management protocols for personnel traveling through rural sectors of **Plateau** and **Borno States** due to kinetic counter-terror operations and night-time curfews (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

MOBILITY & TRAVEL RISK

Travel Disruptions

- Operations remained stable at **Lagos Murtala Muhammed International Airport** and **Abuja Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport**, with routine health checks maintained (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- Temporary checkpoint delays affected key northern and eastern transit routes due to ongoing security operations and election management training movements (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

Regional Travel Risk Profiles

- **North-East (Borno/Lake Chad):** Kinetic risk remains **High**, and non-essential travel requires armored escort or air transit (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- **North-Central (Plateau):** Risk is **High** due to evening curfew enforcement and rural violence (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- **South-East (Anambra):** Risk is **Moderate**, driven by organized criminal activity and targeted vehicle interdictions (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

Forward Planning Signals

- Executive travel to **Abuja** is expected to rise around the **Digital Nigeria Conference**, with heightened venue security demands (Nov. 10–13).
- Travelers should factor in possible checkpoint delays near police training hubs (Nov. 7–13).

POLITICAL, REGULATORY & MACRO

Risk Rating: 

Political & Governance Signals

- The **Nigeria Police Force** concluded a **5-day Election Security Management Training Programme** as part of a campaign targeting **10,000 officers** nationwide (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- Trilateral security discussions involving **Nigeria, the United States, and Italy** advanced plans to deliver specialized training for **5,000 police personnel** (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- The **Office of the National Security Adviser**, the **National Information Technology Development Agency**, and the **National Assembly** advanced amendments to the **Cybercrime Executive Bill** covering AI governance and commercial cyber resilience (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- **Abuja** hosted high-level bilateral security dialogues with **UNOWAS** and U.S. partners (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- **Lagos State**, a maritime and corporate hub, maintained security operations while **U.S. Africa Command** briefings cited defection shifts among insurgent networks (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

Regulatory & Compliance Watch

- The **Securities and Exchange Commission** directed capital market operators to screen databases and execute asset freezes against designated entities, including **DCB Finance Limited** (Oct. 27, initially unverified).
- The **Nigerian Communications Commission** enforced full activation of the **Device Checker** system to prevent non-compliant or counterfeit mobile hardware from operating on national networks (Oct. 31).
- The **National Information Technology Development Agency** mandated stricter enforcement of data localization rules for financial institutions and cloud service providers (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- The **Central Bank of Nigeria** intensified oversight of data localization compliance ahead of key milestones (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

SECTOR-SPECIFIC RISK MONITOR

Risk Rating:

Banking & Financial Services

- The sector is under pressure from immediate **sanctions implementation mandates** from the **Securities and Exchange Commission** (Oct. 27, initially unverified) and **data localization** compliance rules (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).
- Heightened advisory requirements address cyber-attacks targeting financial data systems and cloud infrastructure (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

Outlook: Failure to align internal screening databases with Securities and Exchange Commission sanctions lists presents immediate regulatory exposure (Next 1–4 Weeks).

Telecommunications & IT Infrastructure

- The sector is subject to stringent hardware registration checks by the **Nigerian Communications Commission** and upcoming cybercrime legislative updates (Oct. 31–Nov. 6).

Outlook: Logistics firms and technology vendors must verify all imported mobile and cellular hardware through the **Nigerian Communications Commission** portal to avoid network disconnection (Next 1–4 Weeks).

INCIDENT & TREND DASHBOARD

DATE	INCIDENT TYPE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
October 27	Military Strike / Counter-Terrorism	Tunbunma (Borno State)	Operation Hadin Kai airstrikes killed 16 ISWAP militants and cleared enclaves.
October 27	Regulatory Compliance Circular	Nationwide	Securities and Exchange Commission mandated asset freezes for designated entities under sanctions compliance.
October 28	Organized Crime / Theft	Anambra State	Security forces recovered stolen vehicles and intercepted illicit network assets.
October 29-30	Communal Attack	Barkin Ladi (Plateau State)	Gunmen attacked Sabon Angwa village, leaving 4 dead despite active curfew.
October 31	Telecommunications Enforcement	Nationwide	Nigerian Communications Commission reinforced mandatory type-approval checks via its Device Checker tool.
November 4	Terrorism Judicial Convictions	Federal High Courts	Federal Ministry of Justice confirmed 791 new convictions for terrorism offenses.

WEEK OUTLOOK

Risk Rating:

Key Triggers

- The **Digital Nigeria Conference** in **Abuja** will increase executive travel and require heightened venue security (Nov. 10–13).
- Continued rollout of regional police election management training may create localized traffic checkpoints near training hubs (Nov. 7–13).

Weather Outlook (October 31–November 6)

- **Northern and Central belts** are expected to see early-stage Harmattan dust haze causing minor morning visibility drops (Nov. 7–13).
- **Southern and Coastal sectors** are expected to see intermittent late-season rainfall and high humidity (Nov. 7–13).
- Morning haze along northern highways requires strict speed controls during early journey management windows (Nov. 7–13).

INSIGHT & SERVICE ALIGNMENT

This week shifted from emergency biosecurity measures to judicial and compliance enforcement, with 791 new terrorism convictions confirmed (Nov. 4), sanctions asset freezes ordered (Oct. 27, initially unverified), and stricter device and data localization rules (Oct. 31–Nov. 6), while kinetic operations in Borno State (Oct. 27, initially unverified) and a deadly Plateau State attack (Oct. 29–30, initially unverified) kept northern risk high.

ABOUT STARGRADE



Stargrade Solutions (SGS) is an intelligence-led risk advisory and management firm and business enablement partner supporting organizations and high-profile individuals operating across complex and high-exposure environments, with a primary focus on sub-Saharan Africa.

CONTACT

Email: info@stargradegroup.com
Website: www.stargradegroup.com
Office: 27 Eric Moore Close, Surulere, Lagos. Nigeria.

DISCLAIMER:
THIS BULLETIN IS ADVISORY IN NATURE AND INTENDED SOLELY FOR SITUATIONAL AWARENESS AND EXECUTIVE PLANNING.