

Russian Sailors Confirmed Kidnapped by Nigerian Pirates

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Three Russian sailors have been captured by Nigerian pirates, the ■Russian embassy in Abuja has confirmed.

"Releasing any more information at this time would possibly ■endanger the lives of the men," embassy press attache Artyom ■Romanov told the Interfax news agency.

"We are doing all we can to ensure their speedy release," he\said.

Russian media outlets had reported that Greek ship Saronic Breeze⊠had been captured while sailing close to the Benin cost on Nov. 29. According to early reports, the ship had been sailing under a⊠Panamanian flag, and had 18 Russian and two Ukrainian nationals on⊠board.

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