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THE ECONOMIC AND ORGANISED CRIME OFFICE ARRESTS 219 CYBERCRIMINALS

The Economic and Organised Crime Office (EOCO) in collaboration with the National Security, Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of the Ghana Police Service and the Ghana Armed Forces, have arrested about 219 foreign nationals alleged to be involved in cyber related offences and human trafficking in Oyarifa, a suburb of Accra.

The EOCO led operation named, "Operation Rescue Shield" arrested 218 Nigerians and 1 Ghanaian aged between 15 years and 38 years. Eleven (11) are minors, Seven (7) are females and Two Hundred and Twelve (212) are males. Thirty-five (35) of those arrested are suspects.

The arrest was made based on intelligence and the victims were suspected to have been lured into the country by the suspects ostensibly for lucrative work in Ghana but were taken hostage and forced to engage in cybercrimes and related activities.

A number of laptops, phones, internet devices, personal effects and food items were retrieved from them and brought to the Office to assist with investigations.

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