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UN chief slams deadly terrorist attack in Kenya

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UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Monday condemned "in the strongest terms" the Sunday attack in Kenya's eastern town of Mpeketoni that killed at least 48 people and wounded many more.

"The secretary-general reiterates the solidarity of the United Nations with the people and government of Kenya in their struggle against terrorism," said a statement issued here by Ban's spokesman. "He trusts the authorities will do all in their power to bring the perpetrators to justice in a manner that is fully respectful of Kenya's human rights obligations."



"The secretary-general extends his condolences to the families of the deceased and the government of Kenya and wishes the wounded a swift recovery," the statement said.

Survivors said about 50 heavily armed attackers with explosives stormed the busy eastern coastal town in vehicles, spraying bullets on residents. Mpeketoni is now like a ghost town as many residents are still not back home after they took cover last night in bushes, they said.

The radical Islamist group of Al-Shabaab on Monday claimed responsibility for the latest attack.

Al-Qaida-linked Somali militants have vowed to attack Kenya after Kenyan soldiers crossed into Somalia in 2011 to flush out the insurgents Nairobi blamed for kidnappings of tourists.

The militants have committed similar attacks in Nairobi, Mombasa and towns bordering Somalia in what they said was a retaliation for the Kenyan military incursion in their country.

