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Central African Republic: Sectarian violence erupts in Bangui

Tension and anger is rising in Bangui said Amnesty International today.

The Amnesty International team on the ground witnessed an anti-Muslim riot this morning outside a mosque in the Foh district of the city, with crowds shouting: "Djotodia [the President] must go," and "Death to Muslims".

There are an increasing number of reports of attacks on Muslims.

The team also heard accounts of a Muslim man who returned to his home in a Christian area in the city and was subsequently attacked and killed and of an Imam's house burnt to the ground

More bodies are being found around the city and there are reports of looting.

Members of the Amnesty International team are available for comment on the rising Anti-Muslim anger in Bangui at 4pm GMT and other 'on the ground' updates.

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