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**New kidnappings in the capital: fear is increasing**

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**Port-au-Prince, June 6, 2005 (AHP)-** At least 4 persons were kidnapped this Monday in Port-au-Prince, by armed individuals.

One of them is the spouse of an important businessman who owns gas stations. Mrs. Germain was kidnapped while she was in her car, near the Caribbean Market in Delmas 95.

About ten persons were kidnapped only Friday. Very serious information is going around in regards to the director of the Centre de Formation Classique, Jean Gérard Gilbert, who was kidnapped last Wednesday.

The phenomenon of kidnapping continues to increase despite the measures adopted by the interim authorities to stop this escalation. The cases of murders are also clearly increasing in the capital, where a businessman, Pierre Amazan, was killed Friday.

A member of the security corps of Delmas' mayor, Prisca Jean Vilfort, was killed Monday morning. Policeman Daniel Myrtil was shot in the district of Pouplard as he was driving his son to school.

Several foreigners have left the country in the last two weeks, notably after the State Department called back the American citizens in Haiti and the non-essential diplomatic personnel.

Several Haitians who have a foreign residency or simply a foreign visa have left the country, while many businesses established in the areas known to be with problems have closed or are running slowly.

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