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Environmental Degradation and the Resurgence of Non-violent Protest by Women in the Warri Metropolis of Southern Nigeria

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ABSTRACT The year 1929 marks a watershed in the history of non-violent struggle by women in Nigeria. In that year, the womenfolk in Aba metropolis staged a peaceful and well orchestrated resistance to the invidious machination of the colonial government. In similar vein, the Warri women felt they could provoke social change in a much more spectacular manner. The youths had made attempts in the past with little result. The men were perceived to be eternally compromising because of the greed for money. Thus, the women of the Niger-Delta took the historic decision to re-enact the Aba women resistance of 1929.