

9 bandits killed, vigilante injured as security forces battle bandits in Kano border

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A total of nine bandits and one member of the local vigilance group were killed on Saturday night following a firece battle between the military- led security forces and bandits in BaKaji and Unguwar Garma in Goron – Dutse area of Shanono LG, Kano State

The heavily armed bandits invaded the area in large numbers at about 12 midnight, Saturday and attempted to raid the area ,but were repelled by the joint security forces stationed there.

“They engaged the military for several hours in a gun duel,” a witness added.

The Chairman of the Shanono/Bagwai Community Security Forum, Yahya Bagobiri, also told journalists that, “the bandits, after engaging in heavy gun firing with the military, somehow fled the area with about 40 cows. They also abducted six persons.”

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According to him, “The military who killed the bandits took over their motorcycles, but the criminals sneak back at about 5-6 a.m, Sunday (today), opened fire on the military, but still couldn’t penetrate the area.”

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Bagobiri further lamented that,”because they came in hundreds, they still took some six persons and 40 cows, but thanks to the military who returned heavy gun fire, killing nine of them, and making them to abandon their motorcycles.”

Bagobiri noted that, “When they returned in the morning hours, they took away the dead bodies of their people who were killed.

“Let me commend the military who safeguarded the area and ensure that they stopped the bandits from causing any serious havoc, they deserve huge appreciation, because, as at that time, nobody could even come out from his home.” he said. End.