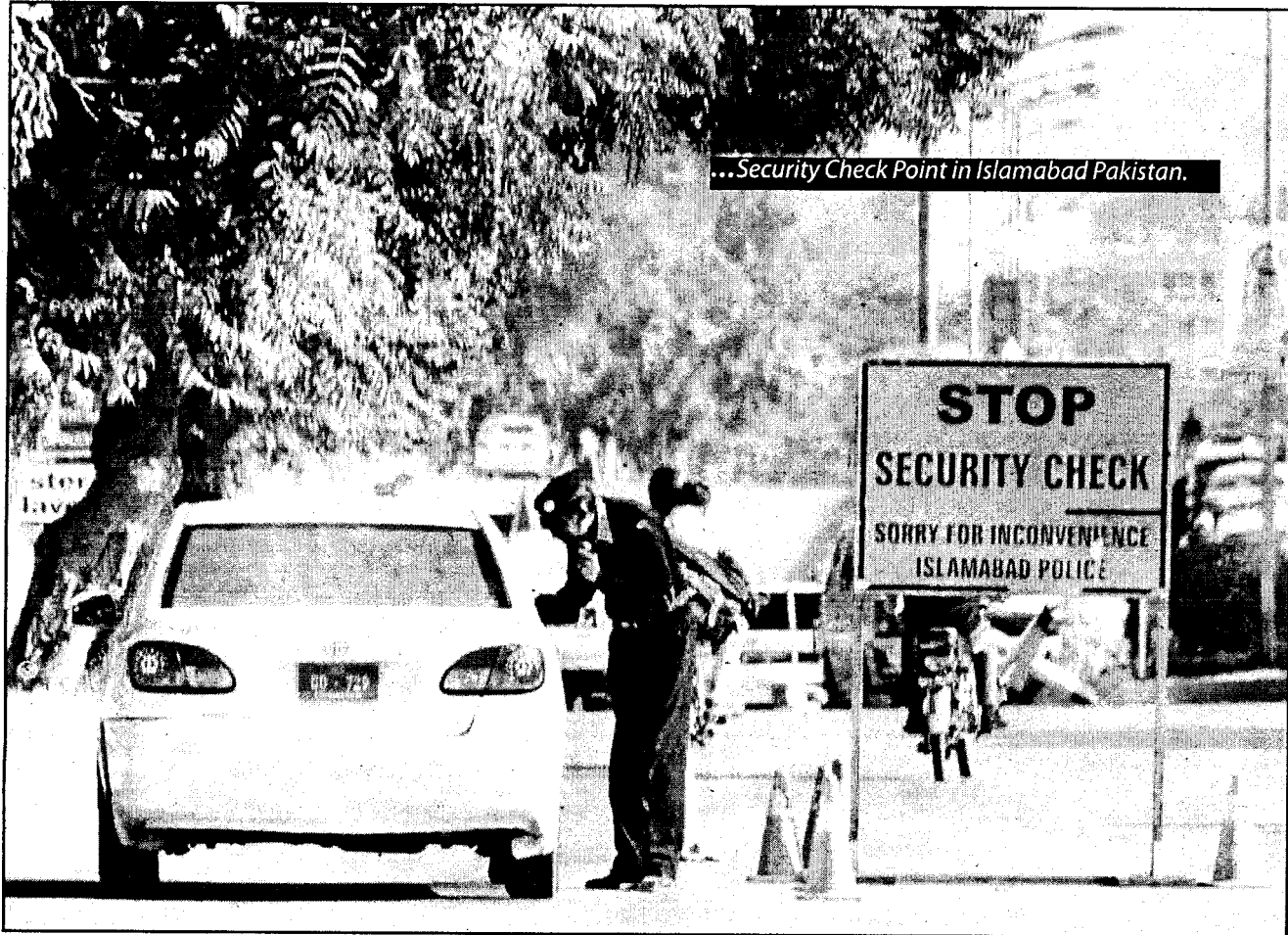


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Mother of 3, ex-policeman killed in Bauchi

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UKNOWN gunmen yesterday killed a mother of three, Mrs. Alheri Ayuba and a retired police officer, Mr. Iliya Duba, just as an undetonated explosive was also discovered in the residence of a retired Police officer in Gudum Sayawa, a suburb of Bauchi metropolis.

Our correspondent gathered that the unknown gunmen numbering about 15, stormed the area at exactly 8pm last Saturday shooting sporadically.

Mrs. Ayuba was killed on her way from a nearby residence.

Sources said the retired police officer was the target

of the attacks, when the attackers planted an explosives on roof of the house but could not be detonated.

However, the residents put a distressed call to the police inviting the anti-bomb-squad to quickly evacuate the explosive waiting to explode.

Speaking to *Daily Champion*, one of vigilante members who did not want his name in print, said the Police prevented them and pursued the unknown gunmen.

Also, our

correspondent gathered that after the incident, hundreds of youths in the area attempted to protest against the incessant attacks in the place, describing it as unwarranted, unreligious and inhuman with a vow to retaliate.

They blamed Yuguda administration to have failed to address the matter.

In his reaction, Director-General, Inter-religious Council, Pastor Kenedy Masau, condemned the act and described it as barbaric, insensitive and called on people to be their own security to ensure

peace, unity and tranquility in the state.

He said if not for the quick intervention of the security personnel, the situation would have been worse with a charge on youths to shun all forms of violence to co-operate with security agencies.

Masau stated that government was doing everything possible to curb the prevailing security challenges in the state.

News men tired to confirm the incident from the state Police commissioner, Mr. Ladan Mohammed, but he did not pick his cell phone.