

Plateau: Cattle rustlers kill one, injure another

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A Cattle rustling attack yesterday left a man dead and his niece injured at Maidantoro village in Barkin Ladi Local Government Area of Plateau State.

The Special Task Force (STF) spokesman, Lt Col. Kingsley Umoh, who confirmed the incident said some cattle rustlers attacked the residence of the victim identified as Mr Chuwang in the night, carted away 60 of his cows, killed him and shot his niece in the process.

"At about 0030hrs, gunshots were heard at the residence of one Mr. Chuwang of Maidantoro village in Barkin Ladi Local Government Council, STF troops were alerted

and they swung into action immediately, it was discovered that Mr Chuwang was shot dead at point blank range and about 60 of his cows rustled."

He added, "Also shot was his niece Miss Victoria Dung on the abdomen and is receiving treatment at the Nigerian Air Force (NAF) hospital. Troops combed the surrounding area for about five hours and as far as 20 kilometers and were able to recover 22 cows."

Col. Umoh added that the corpse of the victim had been taken to the morgue at the NAF morgue which was accompanied by his son Mr Jesse Chuwang. As at the time of filing this report, no arrest had been made.