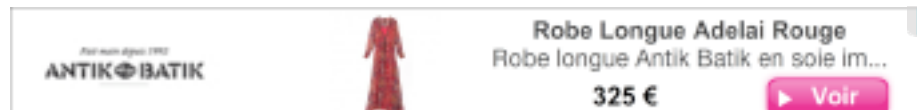


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7 killed as JTF, Boko Haram clash in Maiduguri

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The Joint Task Force (JTF) in Borno State yesterday said that seven members of the dreaded Boko Haram sect were killed during confrontation with its troops in the Gwange ward of Maiduguri.

Spokesman of the task force, Lt. Col Sagir Musa, who disclosed this in a statement, also said that 13 members of the group were arrested by the JTF.

"The JTF operation restore order has conducted a cordon and search operation at Gwange junction, Gwange general area of Maiduguri metropolis. In reaction to operation some suspected members of the Boko Haram shot sporadically at JTF troops which led to exchange of fire that resulted to the killing of seven Boko Haram members and arrest of 13 suspected members of the group," Musa said in the statement.

According to him, no casualty on the part of JTF troops in the confrontation which according to him, occurred around 3pm on Wednesday.

There was no immediate response from the group.

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