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POLICE KILL LG OFFICIAL IN MAIDUGURI

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The treasurer of Kala-Balge Local Government Area of Borno State was killed by a stray bullet yesterday near the residence of former Governor of Borno State, Ali Modu Sheriff.

Alhaji Kwatal died when he was hit by a bullet allegedly fired by policemen who shot in the air to disperse political thugs at the former governor's house, witnesses said. A relation of the deceased from Kala-Balge, who does not want his name in print, confirmed the killing.

"I was called from Maiduguri that Alhaji Kwatal was killed by a stray bullet...this is really a sad," he said.

It was gathered that security operatives became uncomfortable with the youths, popularly known as ECOMOG, who thronged the residence of the former governor. Police spokesman in Borno State Gideon Jibrin could not be reached at press time.

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