

# 7 killed in Bauchi attack – Police

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**The Bauchi State Police Command has said that seven people were killed when gunmen attacked Tafawa Balewa Local Government Area.**

Briefing newsmen, the state Police Public Relations Officer,

DSP Haruna Mohammed, said police foiled another attack by hoodlums.

Mohammed said: "At about 07:30am, unknown gunmen stormed Tafawa Balewa town in a convoy of 18 Hilux vehicles and started firing sporadically in different directions. Joint police and local vigilante group

in the town who got wind of the approaching hoodlums engaged them in a fierce gun battle. The gunmen later abandoned four Hilux vehicles mounted with anti aircraft machine guns and retreated towards Bununu after sustaining heavy casualties."

Mohammed added that the youths numbering over 3000

burnt corpses of four of the attackers who were gunned down.

He said Hilux vehicles, two empty shells of 12.7mm ammunition were recovered from the scene.

2 "The same hoodlums went back to Jitar village in Bauchi Local Government Area and

killed three vigilante members. Police detectives attached to Township Division visited the scene and evacuated the victims to ATBU Teaching Hospital. The entire area has been cordoned off by combined security forces and intensive patrol is ongoing to apprehend fleeing miscreants, he said.