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## Hunters kill 29 fleeing B/Haram militants

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Hunters Wednesday killed 29 Boko Haram militants who were fleeing from the Sambisa forest in southern part of Borno State.

Some of the hunters, who have been closely working with troops in the ongoing counter offensive, said they had a clash with dozens of militants near Hiang-Kukuriyi forest in the southern plank of the Sambisa forest.

One of the hunters, Malgwi Makashinya, said the militants were ambushed while escaping after their camp was bombed by the Nigerian Air Force.

"We were alerted by the troops that the terrorists were heading towards Kukuriyi forest to hide and we ambushed them," he said.

Leader of the hunters, Madu Plungwa, said the militants were escaping in a convoy of Toyota Hilux vehicles and motorcycles.

"They stopped at a fish farm to drink and eat when we descended on them...we counted 29 bodies on the scene but those who fled succeeded in taking the bodies of others," he said.

A source at the Borno State police command confirmed the incident.