

Gunmen kill policeman, vigilante commander, abduct two

From Isa Sa'idu, Zaria

A police inspector and a commander of Kaduna State vigilante group have been shot dead by unidentified gunmen.

The gunmen were also said to have abducted two daughters of the killed vigilante commander

at Unguwar Katsinawa, Shika, Giwa Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

Confirming the incident to *Daily Trust* yesterday, the spokesperson of the state police command, ASP Mukhtar Hussaini Aliyu, said the police received a distress call on Sunday and immediately

dispatched its personnel to the scene of the crime.

It was during exchange of fire, ASP Aliyu said, that the police inspector and the vigilante commander lost their lives, while a police corporal and other residents sustained gunshot injuries.

The father of the deceased

vigilante commander, Malam Muhammad Gali, told *Daily Trust* that armed men numbering about 50 stormed the residence of his son, Mustapha Muhammad Gali, shot him twice and abducted two of his daughters.

He added: "It was around 1am that my son called me, telling me

that gunmen have surrounded his house. I woke up his siblings. When we approached the house, the gunmen began firing at us.

"We all took to our heels. It was later we learnt that he was shot and taken to the ABUTH, Shika where he died. Our major concern now are the girls that they have abducted."

Court remands suspected B/Haram member in prison

From Itodo Daniel Sule, Lokoja

A Lokoja Chief Magistrate's Court has ordered that a suspected Boko Haram member, Mustapha Adinoyi, be remanded in prison custody over terrorist activities and illegal possession of firearms.

Chief Magistrate Levi Animoku refused bail for the accused and ordered his remand at the Federal Prisons, Koton-Karfe, describing the charges against him as a "grievous and fearful one." He adjourned the case to Oct. 17.

The prosecution, led by Mohammed Abaji of the state Ministry of Justice, said Adinoyi, alias 'Musty' was arrested in the company of other terrorists now at large.

Abaji said Adinoyi's handset and SIM card analysis revealed he had several meetings with Dauda Momoh (aka) General, a Boko Haram commander on the wanted list of the DSS.

He said Adinoyi also took the command to the house of one Abdulfatai where two single barrel guns, six SIM cards and other weapons were recovered.

Two men confess to raping 6-year-old girl

From Habibu Umar Aminu, Katsina

Two men, Abubakar Suleiman and Abdulkarim Yahaya, have confessed to have conspired and raped a 6-year-old girl (name withheld) in Katoge Qrts, Man, Katsina State, police said.

The spokesman of Katsina Police Command, DSP Gambo Isah, in a statement said the suspects; both aged 18, were arrested by the police and have been arraigned before a court for prosecution.

He said they confessed to have conspired and lured the

girl into their room and had unlawful carnal knowledge of her.

He called on people to always report suspicious movement and people to the police adding that such information will be used confidentially.

Meanwhile, the state Police Commissioner, Usman Abdullahi, has called on religious leaders in the state to sensitize their followers on the need to sustain peace and harmony among the various ethnic and religious groups in the state.

