

Airforce destroys terrorists' camps in Borno

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The Nigerian Air Force (NAF) yesterday said its Air Task Force (ATF) of Operation Lafiya Dole decimated a Boko Haram Terrorist (BHT) camp and neutralized some of their fighters at a settlement called Arboko in Borno State.

Airforce spokesperson Air Commodore Ibikunle Daramola said the operation was conducted on 18 February while a Nigerian Air Force (NAF) Alpha Jet and an Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) platform were providing close air support to troops of 82 Brigade Nigerian Army.

He said in the course of the operation, the ISR aircraft spotted a group of BHT fighters within Arboko village and vectored the Alpha Jet to engage their camp with rocket fire, thereby degrading the terrorists' structures and neutralizing some of their fighters.

He added that the NAF, operating in concert with surface forces, will sustain its efforts to completely destroy all remnants of the terrorists in the northeast.