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2 bandits killed in Kaduna

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Police have killed two bandits in Saminaka town, Lere Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

The Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Mohammed Jalige, in a statement, said the police had gathered from a reliable source that the bandits were planning to lunch a deadly attack on law abiding citizens of the state.

Jalige said the command recovered five AK-47, one G-3 rifle, 17 AK-47 rifle magazines, 1,658 Rounds of 7.62 x 39mm AK-47 live ammunitions and one Golf 3 vehicle.

He said, "On 17th March 2021, at about 10.45hrs, the combined team of FIB, STS, TIU and Operation Yaki of the Command while acting on credible

intelligence, trailed some suspected armed bandits to Saminaka Town of Lere LGA whom from reliable source were planning to lunch a deadly attack on law abiding citizens of the state.

"However, the bandits, who were well armed, upon sensing the arrival of the operatives. immediately started shooting sporadically at different directions. This resulted in fierce exchange of fire between them and the police operatives which the fire power and operational sagacity of the police succeeded neutralizing two bandits and wounding several others escaped into the forest, abandoning their operational weapons.

"The success of this operation is largely based on the courage and tactical precision

displayed by our gallant officers."

He said the corpse of the bandits had been recovered and deposited at Barau Dikko Teaching Hospital Kaduna while investigation has commenced.

He assured that concerted efforts are being intensified with a view to getting the injured and other fleeing bandits to face the full wrath of the law.

"The Command. calling while on members of the communities within the said axis to be watchful and report any suspicious person(s) with injuries to the nearest Police formation, is still soliciting for more cooperation with the police on prompt intelligence sharing so that together we can secure our communities and the state in general," he stressed.