Security agent beheaded trying to arrest cattle rustler in Taraba

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A security operative was yesterday beheaded while trying to arrest a suspected a cattle rustler at Iware International cattle market in Taraba State.

Daily Trust gathered that the security man, who was dressed in mufti, allegedly entered the market and attempted to arrest some suspected cattle rustlers.

Some security agents

working on a tip-off were said to have entered the market early in the morning to arrest the rustlers who brought cows for sale in the market.

A source told *Daily Trust* that one of the security agents in mufti attempted to arrest one of the cattle rustlers and was beheaded by one of the marauders.

The source said the cattle market, which is a section of the Iware market, was deserted and the suspected cattle rustlers also escaped.

It was also learnt that the body of the beheaded security agent was still lying inside the cattle market at the time of filing this report; while the entire market was deserted and some traders abandoned their wares.

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The spokesperson of the state police command, Usman Abdullahi, confirmed the incident, but said the person beheaded was not a police man.