

Troops kill 3 bandits, arrest 4 kidnappers in Benue

The Defence Headquarters says the troops of Operation Whirl Stroke have arrested four kidnappers, neutralised three bandits and rescued a kidnapped victim in recent operations in parts of Benue.

Director, Defence Media Operations, Maj.-Gen. Bernard Onyeuko, in a statement yesterday, said the troops had, on June 24, arrested four suspected kidnappers at Igumale Council Ward of Ado Local Government Area of the state.

He gave the identities of the suspects

as Alhaji Abdullahi (18), Sale Hassan (22), Usman Abdullahi (20) and Ibrahim Iliyasu (23).

He said all arrested criminals had been handed over to the police for necessary action.

Onyeuko said the troops also conducted a raid at a bandits' hideout at Mbahuwuhe village in Utange council ward in Katsina-Ala Local Government Area, killing three bandits and rescuing a kidnapped victim who was on blind fold in the hideout with injuries. (NAN)