

Troops arrest killers of Ardo of Kamuru, NAF personnel

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Troops of Operation Safe Haven, a multi-security taskforce maintaining peace in Plateau and some parts of Bauchi and Kaduna states, have arrested the killers of Ardo of Kamuru of Dutsen Bako village, in Zango Kataf Local Government Area of Kaduna State, Alhaji Saleh Umar.

The late Ardo was killed on 27 February 2024, after being kidnapped and a ransom of N2 million paid.

The suspects include Bokolo Mohammed, Mr Shuaibu Mohammed and Abdulkareem Suleiman.

Also, the troops arrested the suspected killers of a retired Nigerian Air Force Master Warrant Officer (MWO), Hamza Musa, who was killed in Dutsen Bako village of the Zango Kataf Local Government Area of Kaduna State, by his suspected sons - Mr Timothy Musa and Mr Yaro Musa as well as Mr Samson Moses, a cousin to the deceased.

Parading the suspects at the headquarters of the operation in Jos, spokesperson of the operation, Major Samson Zhakom, said the suspects were arrested after concerted efforts by security agencies of the operations, adding that the troops also arrested the suspected killer of Mr Istifanus Musa, 55, who was killed in Bokkos Local Government Area of Plateau State.

He expressed gratitude to the public, especially individuals who volunteered information leading to the successes crucial at averting reprisal attacks in the case for the murdered Ardo.

"We enjoin you all not to relent in furnishing security agencies with relevant information that could aid operations and provide an enabling environment for enhanced security and economic development," he said.

One of the suspects, Shuaibu Muhammad, admitted to have taken part in the murder of Ardo, saying, "We kidnapped him on the road. After we had taken him to the den and the ransom was paid, we then realised that he could identify one of us, we then decided to kill him."