Calm in Kwande after communal clash

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BENUE State Police
Command has
declared that it has
stopped the communal
skirmishes, which erupted at the weekend
between Nyiev and communities of Kwande
Local Council.

However, six people were confirmed dead in the clash before the police intervention.

In a telephone interview with. The Guardian yesterday, the state Police Commissioner, Ibrahim Mohammed, stated that the command detailed a full detachment of mobile police to create a buffer zone between the two warring communities.

According to him, a combined team of mobile and regular policemen from Kwande Local Council was deployed to end the deadly clash.

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Ibrahim also disclosed that the Command had reached out to political and traditional leaders from the clashing communities to start immediate dialogue on how to resolve the problem that led to the feud - a land crisis, which has led to repeated killings in the past 14 years.