

A Suspected robbers kill three in Borno

From Njadvra Musa, Maiduguri

A GANG of armed robbers on Sunday attacked a Miringa businessman at his shop and shot dead three persons while scaring other residents away, to snatch an undisclosed amount of money from the man's house at about 7.35p.m.

The businessman, according to Yerima Isa, had just closed from the Sunday Market with an undisclosed sales money, before the bandits struck. They fired gun-

shots to scare away other residents, while they were perpetrating their heinous act.

"Contrary to speculations that the attackers were suspected *Boko Haram* members, they were said to be armed robbers as they did not attack any other person or business centre in the town. But unfortunately, the stray bullets apparently hit two persons who were running away from the scene. Both died at the spot.

The other person was killed in a nearby village of Miringa when one of the fleeing robbers fired one shot at the man who attempted flashing the robbers with a torch light and asked them to identify themselves for being in this town by night," Isa said.

The Guardian also learnt that normalcy has returned to Miringa Township; as people are busy going about their usual businesses; and not *Boko Haram*

attacks that occurred in Maiduguri, Mainok and Mafa Town that claimed scores of lives and property at the weekend.

The Borno State Police Commissioner, Tanko Lawal confirmed the incident, but no arrests were made by either the military or police.

He said the bandits that attacked and the businessman were not *Boko Haram* insurgents, but came to the town to steal and unleash mayhem on innocent people.