

Katsina: Customs To Probe Officer's Death

• As Police Neutralise One, Foil Bandits' Invasion Attempt

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THE Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) is set to investigate the mob action incident, which led to the death of one of its personnel, Customs Assistant II Auwal Haruna, in Katsina State.

The Customs Area Controller of Katsina Command, Comptroller Mohammed Umar, stated this when he visited the family of the deceased officer in Kayawa, Dutsi Local Council of the state.

Haruna was killed, on Wednesday, close to

Dankama border town, along Katsina-Kaita Road, after an angry mob of travellers descended on him.

The mob action followed Haruna's shooting of a passenger, who later died, in the vehicle the mob was being ferried in.

But, a statement by spokesperson for the NCS in the state, Tahir Balarabe, said investigation would be carried out with a view to "apprehending those responsible for the heinous act".

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Controller of Katsina Command, Comptroller Mohammed Umar, has paid a condole visit to the family of late Customs Assistant II Auwal Haruna in his native home on behalf of the Comptroller General of Customs, Bashir Adewale Adeniyi, who tragically lost his life while on duty.

Meanwhile, the Police in the state have neutralised a suspected bandit and foiled an attempted invasion by deceased's gang members in Sabuwa Local Council.

A statement by the com-

mand's spokesperson, ASP Abubakar Aliyu, said the incident occurred, on Wednesday, at about 4.48pm.

He said many bandits sustained gunshot injuries during the foiled invasion attempt, but that one security operative was injured in the leg and currently, receiving medical attention in hospital.

"The Katsina State Police Command, under the leadership of CP Aliyu Abubakar Musa, successfully foiled an invasion attempt on Sabuwa town, Sabuwa Local Council of Katsina State, by suspected bandits."