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One killed as Army, robbers exchange shooting in Bauchi

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One person was feared dead on Monday night following exchange of gunfire between suspected armed robbers and members of the Nigerian Army in Misau Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

The incident which occurred near College of Legal and Islamic Studies Miasu, caused pandemonium among the students and people as they ran for safety.

It was learnt that the students fled from the campus when they heard gunfire, thinking it was insurgents that came to launch attack on the school.

A source from the Army who spoke on condition of anonymity said the Army received a distressed call from people in the area that armed bandits had blocked Ningi-Misau road adding that “in an attempt to open the road, the hoodlums started shooting sporadically which was repelled by our men and in the process one of the robbers was shot dead”.

He said the other hoodlums escaped through the bush “we recovered motorcycle, bicycle and Mobile phones from them and investigation has commenced into the matter”.

When contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer of the Bauchi State Command, Haruna Mohammed, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), said police are not aware of any development saying the area is calm.

The Chairman Caretaker Committee of Misau LGA, Ibrahim Wasiri said there was no attack on the College of Legal and Islamic Studies, saying it was armed robbery attack in the area.

He pledged to meet with the Provost of the school and brief the press after the meeting.

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