

State on Friday.

Plateau Remains Home For All — Gov Lalong

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Governor of Plateau State, Simon Lalong, on Friday said two persons, were killed and several others were injured in the Thursday fracas in Jos, but however noted his state remains home for all, irrespective of religion, ethnic extraction or political persuasion.

The governor stated this yesterday when he

met with community and religious leaders resident in the state, following the tension, which engulfed Jos on Thursday over events happening in Abia State.

Our correspondent reports that the event, which took place at Government House Little Rayfield, had various tribes and religious leaders present at the meeting.

At the meeting, Lalong assured citizens of his administration's commitment to peace and stability

in the state, saying that all non-indigenes in Plateau State were safe and urged them to go about their legitimate businesses without fear.

"The tension took us by surprise, I call on community and religious leaders to caution their wards at home as any culprit arrested would not go free as nobody is above the law."

"I want to assure all citizens that their security and welfare as the primary

concern of government is assured by the Rescue Administration."

"I am therefore enjoining all citizens to go about their business with the assurance that their safety is guaranteed."

Lalong further appealed to all religious and community leaders, neighborhood vigilantes as well as all law abiding citizens to ensure nobody is allowed to take advantage of this unfortunate situation to engage in criminality.

Gov. Nasir el-Rufai of Kaduna State on Friday declared as unlawful the strike embarked on by the Kaduna State University (KASU) branch of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU).

According to a statement by the Governor's Spokesman, Mr Samuel

Kaduna Govt Declares KASU-ASUU Strike Unlawful

"This is unacceptable to the state government. It is an anomaly that employees can be on strike without declaring a dispute with their employer."

"It bears restating that Nigeria is a federation of

affected nor bound by any dispute, disagreement or agreement ASUU may have with the Federal Government."

"As a sub-national entity, the Kaduna State Government is separate from

said.

According to him, the Kaduna State Government is not liable for salaries and allowances for the period of the unlawful strike.

"The government shall proceed to initiate the