

Dogs Foil Suicide Bomb Attacks In Borno

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But for the timely intervention of dogs yesterday, lives would have been wasted when two suicide bombers (male and female) attempted to infiltrate temporary settlement area for rehabilitated leprosy patients within the premises of Molai general hospital, outskirt of Maiduguri in Borno State.

According to the Borno State Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Victor Isuku, who confirmed the incident to newsmen in Maiduguri, the suicide bombers were prevented by the persistent barking and attacks from dogs in the area.

Yesterday 3/8/2017 at about

2322hrs, a female suicide bomber detonated IED strapped on her body near a joint security guard location in Molai general area, killing herself alone.

"Today 4/8/2017 at about 0515hrs, two suicide bombers, male and female, attempted to gain entry into the temporary settlement area for rehabilitated leprosy patients within the premises of Molai general hospital, in the outskirt of Maiduguri township, along Maiduguri/Damboha highway.

"They were prevented by the persistent barking and attacks from dogs in the area. In the process, they hurriedly detonated IEDs strapped to their bodies, killing themselves.

No other casualty recorded. Police

EOD teams were promptly drafted to scenes, to sanitize and render the area and its surrounding safe. Normalcy has since been restored.

In a related development, the Borno State Police Command Yesterday paraded two suspected members of the dreaded Boko Haram sect, arrested in Maiduguri and Kano.

The State police commissioner, Mr. Damian Chukwu, paraded the insurgents, alongside others for various crimes at a press briefing in Maiduguri.

According to Mr. Chukwu, the arrest of the suspects was carried out by the detectives of Special Anti-Robbery Squad, (SARS) and members of the Civilian JTF.