

Borno politician, assassins in gun duel

THE Borno State Chairman of the All Nigeria Peoples Party (ANPP), Alhaji Mohammed Imam yesterday morning narrowly escaped being killed by suspected assassins numbering about 20 who invaded his home, in Maiduguri, the Borno State capital.

The suspected assassins forced their way into his home at the old GRA, Maiduguri at about 2:30 am after killing his securityman for refusing to show them the bedroom of his master.

The Nation learnt that inside the premises, there were sustained

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gunshots lasting over 30 minutes. Alhaji Imam succeeded in killing one of the suspected assassins.

At this point, sensing danger and the superior firepower of the politician, they fled.

Alhaji Imam told reporters that the exchange of words between his securityman and the suspected assassins woke him up.

He said he heard when the hoodlums were asking his securityman where he was sleeping, adding that it was when

he refused to give the information that he was shot dead.

Alhaji Imam said that the hoodlums tried to gain entry into his bedroom, but he resisted as he continued firing which killed one of them.

He stated that the suspected assassins had to leave their dead colleague after which he contacted the police who removed the bodies to the Maiduguri Specialist Hospital. Police Public Relations Officer ASP Bashir Mohammed confirmed the incident and said the police has begun investigation.