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The Joint Task Force (JTF) yesterday in Maiduguri, Borno State, killed three suspected robbers and a Boko Haram suspect.

Spokesman for the JTF Lt. Col. Sagir Musa made this known in a statement.

He said: "Following a tip off, the JTF raided the hideouts of suspected Boko Haram terrorists at Pompomari in the Maiduguri metropolis."

According to him, during the clampdown, a suspected Boko Haram member was killed and an AK 47 rifle and some improvised explosive devices recovered.

He said the incident happened about 5:30 am.

The spokesman said about 3:30am yesterday, during a search of Wulari, 13 suspected Boko Haram members were arrested.

Musa said the task force has begun investigation to determine the suspects' level of involvement in terrorism.

He said the task force yesterday responded to a distress call from Gomari and engaged robbers in a shootout, killing three.

He said the items recovered from them included a locally-made pistol, a dane gun and three machetes.