

# Airstrikes kill 30 'terrorists' in Katsina

**A** IRSTRIKES by the Nigerian Air Force (NAF) have killed 30 terrorists in Katsina State.

The airstrikes were carried out on May 27 at a terrorist kingpin's hideouts in Bakai, Bakarya, Yartsintsiya in Kankara Local Government Area of the state.

NAF's spokesperson, Air Vice Marshal Edward Gabkwet announced this in a statement yesterday.

He said intelligence confirmed that the terrorist kingpin, Babura, "narrowly escaped" the

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airstrikes.

Gabkwet said: "Similar air strikes were also carried out by the Air Component of Operation Hadin Kai on the same day at Tumbun Fulani, near Lake Chad, against terrorists at a once abandoned hideout.

"The strikes were authorised after Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance missions observed a pattern that was consistent with the relocation of terrorists to new hideouts and movement of their logistics."