

Air Force destroys terrorists' structures, logistics facilities in Borno

THE Nigerian Air Force (NAF) has said its Air Task Force (ATF) of Operation Lafiya Dole has destroyed terrorists' structures and logistics facilities at Tumbun Kaiyowa in Northern Borno, the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* has reported.

The Air Force's Director of Public Relations and Information, Air Commodore Ibikunle Daramola, who an-

nounced this in a statement on Wednesday in Abuja, said the operation was conducted on Wednesday.

Daramola said: "The operation was executed following confirmation by a Nigerian Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) platform that some terrorists were harboured, along with their logistics items and facilities, in some structures well-camou-

flaged under dense vegetation within the location.

"Accordingly, the ATF scrambled two Alpha jet aircraft to attack the location, recording direct hit on the structures and logistics facilities, which were seen engulfed in flames.

"Several ISWAP fighters were equally neutralised as a result of the strikes," he said.

The spokesman said the Air Force, operating in concert

with surface forces, would sustain the effort to completely degrade the terrorists in the North East.

Meanwhile, following credible information from good Samaritans of a planned terrorist attack on 114 Task Force Battalion, E Company location at Izge village, in Gwoza Local Government Area of Borno State, troops of 143 Battalion laid an ambush on the terrorists' with-

drawal route along Kubu village on Tuesday.

The terrorists then fell into the ambush, which resulted in the death of unconfirmed number of their members.

Four AK-47 rifles, 81 millimetre mortar, ammunition, two Hilux vehicles and one pump-action machine gun were recovered from the terrorists.

According to Army spokesman, Colonel Sagir Musa, there was no casualty on the

part of the troops.

Colonel Musa said the Nigerian Army, through the Theatre Command, Operation Lafiya Dole, appreciated those who availed the troops the information that led to the success of the operation.

He further enjoined members of the public to provide security agencies with useful information about the terrorists and other criminals in the country.