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Air Force bombs terrorists' hideout, kills scores of fighters in Sambisa forest

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THE Defence Headquarters (DHQ) has said that the Air Task Force of Operation Lafiya Dole has destroyed some dwellings of Boko Haram terrorists' leaders and crushed several of their fighters in separate air strikes executed at the Sambisa forest area, as well as at a settlement about 1.7 kilometers East of Yale, both in Borno State.

This was contained in a statement made available to newsmen in Abuja by the Coordinator, Defence Media Operations (DMO), Major-General John Enenche.

Enenche explained that the air raids were undertaken after credible human intelligence reports and series of aerial surveillance missions had indicated that some of the terrorists that carried out recent attacks against innocent civilians were harboured in makeshift structures under the dense vegetation of the Sambisa forest, while others were tracked to the settlement East of Yale.

The defence spokesperson said: "Consequently, the Air Task Force dispatched Nigerian Air Force (NAF) fighter jets and helicopter gunships to attack the two locations.