9 bandits killed on Kaduna/Abuja road

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TROOPS between Monday night and the early hours of Tuesday, engaged bandits on the Kaduna/Abuja highway in a gunfight, thereby killing nine of them in the process.

This was contained in a statement issued by the Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, in his update on the security situa-

tion in the state on Tuesday. According to the statement, "troops acted on intelligence that the bandits were attempting to cross over from the eastern part of the Kaduna-Abuja road to the western part, with a large herd of rustled cattle.

"The herders whose cattle had been rustled from the eastern part of the route alerted the military for immediate action."