

Policeman killed, 5 persons abducted in fresh bandits' attack in Niger

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A policeman has been reported killed, while five persons were abducted and several livestock rustled during attacks on some communities in Niger State.

A source who is an indigene of the local government told the *Nigerian Tribune* in Minna the state capital, confirmed the incident.

Also, the chairman of the local government area, Suleiman Dauda Chukuba, who is currently on suspension over allegation of financial impropriety by some councillors, confirmed the incident to journalists in an interview by telephone in Minna.

Chukuba, however, appealed to both the Federal

and state governments to come to their aide and save people of Shiroro local government from persistent bandits' attacks.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that a similar attack also took place on Tuesday in some communities in Rafi Local Government Area, when some gunmen, in their large numbers, struck and abducted about five persons in a community called Rigo village.

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Wasiu Abiodun, promised to get back to the *Nigerian Tribune* for confirmation of the incidents after he might have discussed with the Commissioner of Police in the state, Mr Adamu Usman.