

# Gani Adams raises alarm over alleged killing of four persons in Oyo village

## Says Wakili is a pretender

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THE Aare Ona Kakanfo of Yorubaland, Iba Gani Adams, has raised a fresh alarm over the killing, on Monday, of four men at Idriyan village in Igan-gan, Oyo State, by men suspected to be working for the notorious herdsman, Iskilu Wakili, who was arrested by men of the Oodua Peoples Congress (OPC) on Sunday.

He expressed worry that the security situation in the South-West is becoming too worrisome, as killing still continues unabated.

The four men, two of which were said to be members of the community police in the area, were believed to have

been hacked to death at about 2:00 a.m. in the village.

Iba Adams, in a statement by his special assistant on media, Mr Kehinde Aderemi, said the victims were killed in the most gruesome manner.

He noted that the audio and pictorial evidences at his disposal indicated that the killers had been terrorising the village and its environs, engaging in untold kidnapping and killing, adding that the kidnappers had also collected over N800 million as ransom from their captives.

This was just as Adams described Wakili as a comedian, who he said was pretending to be ill to avoid being investigated.

Iba Adams alleged that Wakili and his men had displaced more than a million residents in the over 10 villages in Oke-Ogun, while they also allegedly raped and killed residents at will.

He named those allegedly killed by the notorious gang in Ibarapaland to include one Alhaja Sherifat and Dr Fatai Aborode, as well as several others.

He said: "They have been terrorising our people for more than six years. Wakili is a comedian, pretending to avoid being investigated. He was hale and hearty, but started pretending shortly after he was captured."

He regretted the four men

were hacked to death at Idriyan village on Monday and expressed worry that the police have not been able to unravel the killers.

The Yoruba generalissimo warned criminal herders to stay away from the South-West, disclosing that OPC and other local security operatives would continue to ensure that the region is safe for residents.

Reacting to the arrest of four members of the OPC that nabbed Wakili, he said it was an admittance of failure for the police to do such to the gallant men, adding that it is an indication that the police are ready to frustrate efforts in restoring peace in the region.