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DSS raids Igboho's home, kills 2, arrests 13, declares him wanted

Recover cache of ammunition, assorted charms

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THE Department of State Services (DSS) on Thursday night confirmed the raid on the Ibadan residence of Chief Sunday Adeyemo, popularly called Igboho, by joints security forces, based on inteligence reports that he stockpiled arms in the place.

Addressing newsmen in Abuja, the spokesperson of

the Services. Dr Peter Afunanya, said on approaching the residence, the team came under heavy gun attack by nine men suspected to be his guards.

He said during the gun duel, two of the guards were killed, others arrested, while one operatives sustained injuries.

He listed items recovered from the house to include seven AK-47 assault rifles,

three pump-action guns, 30 fully charged AK-47 magazines; 5,000 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition; five cutlasses; one Jack knife; one pen knife; two pistol holsters; one binoculars; a wallet containing \$5 in \$1 denomination; local and international driver's licences in his name, ATM cards, a German residence permit No. YO2N6K1NY bearing his

name; two whistles: 50 cartridges; 18 walkie-talkies: three Voodoo charm jackets/ traditional body armour; two laptops and his international passport and those of many others.

Afunanya stated that further exploitation and forensic analysis are ongoing.

He said 13 suspects, 12 males and one female, were arrested and brought to Abuja.

The DSS spokesman said Sunday Igboho and his group. in the guise of campaign for self-determination, have become well-armed and determined to undermine public order, adding that the arrests and seizures are a confirmation of a grand plan by Igboho and his cohorts to wage a violent insurrection against the Nigerian State.

He also said five AK-47 assault rifles recovered from the building are suspected to be those collected by Igboho's men from Nigerian Customs and Immigration personnel at Idi Iroko in Ogun State.

The security agency then advised Igboho to turn himself in to the nearest security agency and surrender to the appropriate authorities.

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