

# Police kill four suspected armed bandits in Benue

## Bandit commander nabbed in Zamfara

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FOUR suspected armed bandits were on Friday night killed by policemen in Benue State.

The bandits were said to have been killed at Ukum Local Government Area of the state while on their way to attack a village called Gbagire in the council area.

Bodies of the killed bandits were brought to police headquarters in Makurdi on Saturday morning.

Men of the Joint Security

Task Force codenamed Operation Zenda were said to have intercepted the bandits who were going on an operation to attack the villagers.

Those killed were identified to include one Solo Orafaga, John Tyoakoso, Jude aka Headboy and another unidentified member of the gang.

Leader of Operation Zenda, CSP, Gberindyer Justin, who spoke to newsmen at the police headquarters, Makurdi, on Saturday said that the bandits were killed

by his men during an operation in Ukum Local Government Area of the state.

He disclosed that the bandits were ambushed after his men got intelligence information that they were on their way to attack a village called Gbagire in Ukum local council.

According to him, "Unknown to the bandits, all their calls were being tracked by the intelligence unit and were carefully followed up as they executed plans on how to attack the village.

Justin said that the bandits were about 20 and adding that aside the four bandits that were killed, many others ran into the nearby bushes with bullet wounds.

Similarly a bandit commander of the notorious Bello Turji's camp Abdullahi Umar a.k.a Sangamere had been arrested and a 60-year-old kidnap victim, Hajiya Inno has been rescued.

Umar was paraded along with other criminals on Saturday in Gusau at the command headquarters of the police.

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