

3 Military strikes bandits' enclaves in Kaduna, kills scores

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THE Air Component of Operation Whirl Punch (OPWP) has carried out air strikes on bandits' enclaves around Kaduna and neutralised several bandits.

According to a statement signed by the Kaduna State Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, a major enclave south of Kidandan in Giwa Local Government

Area, which was confirmed as the hideout of a bandit kingpin, Alhaji Ganai, was struck and destroyed, with the bandits' leader and several others neutralised.

The statement added that the hideout of bandits' leader, Ali Kawaje, in Birnin Gwari LGA was similarly targeted and destroyed, as well as those of bandits Musa Pajelo and Kachalla Bello.

Aruwan, in the statement,

said: "Targets were also engaged and destroyed in Walawa area, Fadaman Kanauta, and Kuduru. Bandits were sighted and neutralised in locations four kilometres south-west of Alhaji Ishiaka, six kilometres north-east of Maguzawa, and two kilometres west of Yelwa.

"Several armed bandits were sighted and neutralised at Dankero, Giwa LGA. Areas covered in Chikun LGA include Gwagwada for-

est, Kugosi, Godani, Twali, Gwagwada, Sarkin Pawa, Kabai, Kabusu Hills, Amara Hills, Sabon Gayan and Polewire.

"An active location was engaged and destroyed about four kilometres south of Godani.

"Furthermore, armed reconnaissance was carried out over Rima, Riyawa, Rumana, the Kaduna Airport area and adjoining locations in Igabi LGA."