Troops kill notorious terrorist who masqueraded as police officer in Sokoto

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Command on Thursday said its troops, working in collaboration with vigilantes, have killed a notorious terrorist who had been masquerading as a police officer to perpetrate crimes in Sokoto State.

This was contained in a statement made available to newsmen in Abuja by the Director, Army Public Relations, Major-General Onyema Nwachukwu.

Nwachukwu said: "The extremist, who was eliminated on Wednesday, often disguised as a police officer

to kidnap unsuspecting victims.

"The sting operation was conducted following credible intelligence and the suspect was neutralised during a gun battle with troops.

"Troops also uncovered and destroyed a house used as covert facility by insurgent kingpins to store drugs and administer treatment to wounded terrorists."

The statement revealed that in a separate counter-insurgency operation in Taraba State, troops neutralised another insurgent in Kutoko village in Takum Local Government Area of the state.