

Three killed, four injured in attack on Plateau community —BCDC

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THE Bokkos Cultural Development Council (BCDC) Vanguard has lamented the killing of three persons at Wumat community in Bokkos Local Government Area of Plateau State.

The group, in a statement signed by its chairman, Mr Farmasum Fuddang, said the gunmen, suspected to be bandits, attacked the community on Monday at about 8:49p.m.

It stated the assailants struck a few weeks after intelligence indicated a heightened risk of violence in the area due to the influx of individuals suspected to be terrorists crossing from the boundaries of Plateau and Nasarawa states.

According to the group, three members of a single family were found dead —

Mr Istifanus Mallo (father), Mr Innocent Istifanus Mallo (son), and Lois Istifanus Mallo (daughter), adding that four others sustained serious injuries, including a heavily-pregnant woman who was shot in the abdomen, but miraculously survived, but her unborn child did not.

"This attack in Wumat, situated in the Tarangol district, comes on the heels of unfounded accusations from some people who alleged that our community members forcibly evicted their members in Tarangol."

The group, which called for thorough investigation of the incident, added that the author of the recent inflammatory petition to the commissioner of police in the local government should be equally investigated in respect of the latest attack.