In a related incident earlier the same day at about 11:30 hours, the Tribune gathered that a Kemanji-based vigilante group, on routine foot patrol, encountered suspected bandits within the Kainji National Park area.

It was gathered that three of the suspected bandits suffered fatal gunshot wounds in the course of the gun duel, and a member of the vigilante, Yusuf Samba 'male' was shot and later succumbed to gunshot injury.

"Our investigation culminated in the arrest of an informant, who admitted to collaborating with a group of bandits. This individual has proven to be a valuable asset in advancing the investigation".