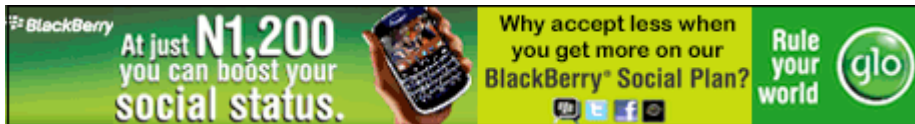


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Suspected Boko Haram militants attacked a military outpost near Maiduguri, the Borno State capital, killing a soldier and a hospital worker.

The Associated Press reports that the attack occurred on Wednesday morning.

The spokesperson for the Joint Task Force, Col. Victor Ebhaleme, confirmed the attack, but declined to give further details.

The attack follows national outrage over the escape of a suspected Boko Haram bomber, Kabir Sokoto, from police custody.

In a separate incident, suspected Boko Haram members on Tuesday night attacked a police patrol in Damaturu, Yobe State.

The police returned fire but no casualties were recorded.

The Commissioner of Police, Yobe State Command, Alhaji Lawal Tanko, told the News Agency of Nigeria that the policemen successfully repelled the attack around 6.30pm.

Damaturu is one of the 15 local government areas under a state of emergency declared by President Goodluck Jonathan on December 31, 2011.

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