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Director, Defence Information, Maj. Gen. Chris Olukolade

The dreaded Boko Haram sect has killed 25 persons at the outskirts of Maiduguri, a member of youth vigilance group, Abba Izge, told our correspondent on the telephone on Tuesday in Maiduguri.

Izge said over a hundred Boko Haram militants stormed Mainok village in Konduga Local Government of Borno State, North-East Nigeria on Monday at about 6pm, killing residents at will in a siege that was on for over three hours.

He said the vehicles that were trapped in Mainok, along Maiduguri/Damaturu highways, were not spared as they were set

ablaze by the hoodlums.

Izge said, "More than 30 vehicles that were trapped were burnt down as well as hundreds of homes.

Mainok village is about 45 kilometres away from Maiduguri, the Borno State capital.

He said, "The entire town was left to mourn the dead and bury their lost ones; some of them burnt beyond recognition.

"Some of the foodstuffs of the villagers were carted away."

He said some people have not been seen after the attack on the town, which has made many to be apprehensive that perhaps they might have gone away with them with the mission to forcefully conscript them.

Meanwhile, the United States Government has said that the brutality of Boko Haram knows no bounds in view

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of the recent attacks by the insurgents across the countries in the West African region.

The US also condemned in strong terms the recent killings of innocent people by Boko Haram. The terrorist group's latest violent attacks were carried out on Chad, Cameroon, Niger and Nigeria.

In a statement made available to our correspondent on Tuesday by the US Embassy in Nigeria, the US Department of State's spokesperson, John Kirby, stated that the US strongly condemned the "horrific and indiscriminate" Boko Haram suicide attacks on the Grand Marche in the Chadian capital of N'Djamena on Saturday, as well as attacks in Cameroon, Niger and Nigeria "over the past two days."

The statement said, "Boko Haram's targeting of men, women and children highlights that the group's brutality and barbarism know no bounds, and we remain committed to working closely with the region to root out the threat posed by the group."

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