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Twin bomb explosions rock UNIMAID

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Two bombs went off at the University of Maiduguri campus, Borno State, on Thursday night and the early hours of Friday when students were in their hostels.

President of the school's Students Union Government, Abu Babati, while confirming the attack to journalists, said that the first bomb exploded at about 10.50pm on Thursday while the second went off at about 12:00am Friday.

The first explosion, Babati explained, occurred around the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine where the bomber hurriedly detonated his Improvised Explosive Device vest after being accosted and shot at by soldiers stationed within the university.

He said that the second explosion took place around BOT Hostel accommodating females.

Another student of the institution, Yusuf Ibrahim, further revealed that a security man attached to the female hostel was killed during the attack.

But in a statement, Public Relations Officer of the Borno State Police Command, Victor Isuku, said that the attack was foiled by security agents, claiming that nobody apart from the suicide bombers died.

"On May 18, 2017 at about 23:50hrs, three male suicide bombers with IEDs strapped to their bodies gained entry into the premises of the University of Maiduguri. In an attempt to enter the female hostels, they were intercepted by security operatives.

"One of the bombers hurriedly detonated his IED vest, killing himself instantly. The other two humbers detonated theirs near a construction site also within the proximity of the



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