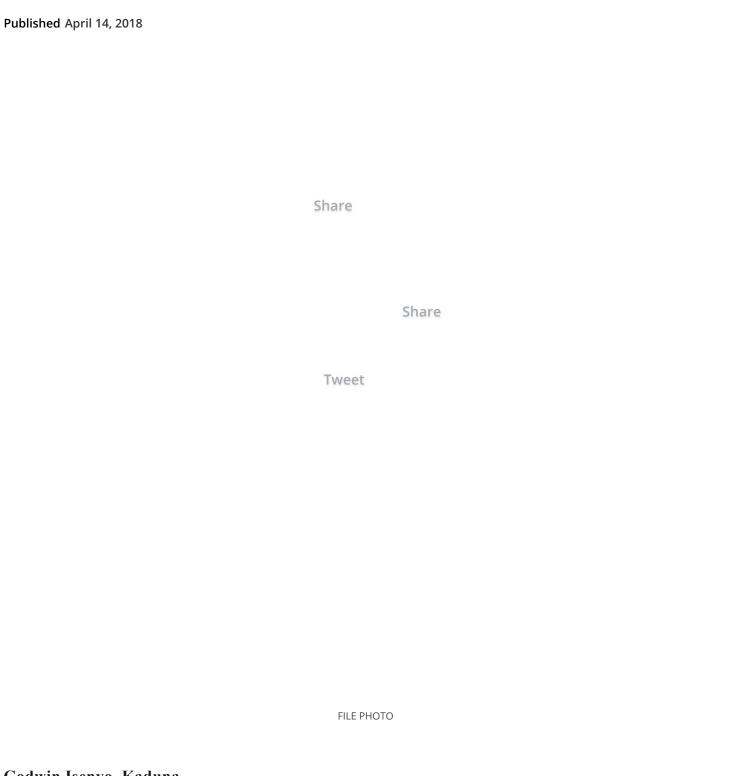
Bandits kill two policemen, abduct others in Kaduna



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Suspected bandits on Thursday reportedly raided a police checkpoint at Ciki Da Falo in Birnin-Gwari Local Government Area of Kaduna State, killing two policemen while kidnapping at least 18 others.

A source, who confided in *Saturday PUNCH*, said that the incident occurred at about 5 pm when the bandits opened fire on the policemen at the checkpoint.

"The bandits overwhelmed the security operatives at the checkpoint. Since that period, we have not been able to sleep well at night. We are calling on the government to help us," the source said.

Among those abducted was the Chairman of the National Union of Road Transport Workers in Birnin-Gwari, Alhaji Audu Kano.

The attack came shortly after the killing of 11 soldiers at Kampanin Doka village in Birnin-Gwari.

The Kaduna State Police Commissioner, Austin Iwar, confirmed the attack and death of two policemen.