

# Nigeria, Chad, Niger forces bomb Boko Haram camp, kill scores

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The Nigerian, Chadian and Nigerien military forces, under the Multi-National Joint Task Force, have bombed a camp of the Boko Haram and Islamic State West African Province terrorists in the Tumbun Fulani area in Borno State during an operation.

The air strikes, which were carried out on Friday, led to the death of scores of the terrorists and the destruction of the structures in the camp.

The Defence Media Operations said on Saturday in a release that the Air Task Force of Operation Lafiya Dole and the Artillery Battalion of Sector 3 of the MNJTF were involved in the operation at Tumbun Fulani.

The Director of the DMO, Brig Gen Bernard Onyeuko, said, “The Armed Forces of Nigeria, through the Air Task Force of Operation Lafiya Dole, has destroyed an ISWAP camp at Tumbun Fulani on the fringes of Lake Chad in northern Borno State. This was achieved in a combined air and artillery bombardments as part of the coordinated joint offensive by the MNJTF to dislodge and completely rid the islands of Lake Chad of terrorists’ presence and activities.

“The operation was executed on intelligence reports indicating that the ISWAP elements used the settlement as a base from where they plan and launch attacks.

“Accordingly, the joint interdiction mission was launched with a Nigerian Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance aircraft coordinating the barrage of artillery and air fire towards designated targets in the settlement, destroying them and neutralising some of the ISWAP fighters in the process.”