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Police kill three invading bandits in Katsina

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THREE bandits were killed during a shootout with the police late Tuesday night in Danmusa Local Government Area of Katsina State.

It was learnt that the bandits numbering over 50 had invaded Unguwar Bera and Tashar Mangoro villages on that night before a distress call was made to the police Area Commander, Dutsinma.

The Area Commander and his team reportedly laid an ambush for the bandits at a spot between Mara and Tashar Gajere villages where the bandits were said to have been trapped.

The bandits reportedly engaged the police team in a gun duel, leading to the death of the three of them (the bandits).

Corpses of the three bandits were brought to the Katsina police headquarters on Wednesday.

The Katsina Police Commissioner, Sanusi Buba, confirmed the development to journalists, adding that the incident occurred some minutes after 11pm (21:21 hours).

He also revealed that two new AK-47 rifles with 15 rounds of 7.62mm live ammunition were recovered from the bandits.

Buba added, "Search parties are still combing the environs with a view to arresting injured bandits and/or recovering dead bodies and their operational weapons."