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# Plateau community fingers Fulani as three killed in fresh attack

James Abraham, Jos

**G**UNMEN struck again on Monday and killed three persons in a fresh attack in Bassa Local Government Area of Plateau State.

It was gathered that three other persons, who sustained injuries during the attack, which occurred in Hukke village, Miango district

## We won't stop demolishing criminals' houses, says Bello

Gbenga Odogun, Lokoja

**K**OGI State Governor, Alhaji Yahaya Bello, has vowed that his administration will continue to destroy houses and properties traced to any criminal in the state.

Bello disclosed this on Monday at the flag-off of 'Exercise

of the council area had been rushed to the hospital.

The Public Relations Officer for Miango Youths Development Association, Nuhu Bitrus, confirmed the killings to *The PUNCH* in Jos on Monday

He accused Fulani herdsmen of being responsible for the attacks.

According to him, the gunmen arrived in the village around 3

pm on Sunday and killed the victims after operating for about five hours before the intervention of the security men, who were alerted on the attacks.

Bitrus said, "It was yesterday (Sunday), Fulani herdsmen attacked Hukke village of Miango District, Rigwe chiefdom in broad daylight. The attack started from 3 pm and lasted for about five hours.

"The security personnel came to the scene after a while and tried their best to contain the situation but before their arrival, the Fulani gunmen had killed three persons and injured three others."

The youth leader, who condemned the attack, gave the

names of those killed as Barry Ive, 4; Isaiah Gado, 45; and Weyi Chohu, 40; while those who sustained injuries were identified as Bosco Gbere, Barnabas Lundi

and Moses Bombo.

The spokesman for the Plateau State Police Command, Ubah Ogaba, when contacted, said security operatives had

been deployed in the affected community, adding, "The area is now calm and investigation has commenced immediately to unravel those behind the act."

## FG to stop fresh hostilities against Nigerians in Ghana

Adelani Adepegba, Abuja

**T**HE Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Otunba Niyi Adebayo, has promised to reach out to the Ghanaian authorities to stop the fresh hostilities against Nigerian businesses by Ghanaian traders.

The *PUNCH* was informed on Monday that Adebayo would seek the assistance of the Ghanaian

trade minister to ensure that Nigerian shops illegally shut down by the Ghana Union of Traders were re-opened.

The Special Adviser on Media to the minister, Ifedayo Sayo, said Adebayo was shocked by the latest development, noting that the minister would engage with the Ghanaian authorities on the maltreatment of Nigerian business people in that country.

Nigerian traders had been facing serious dilemma following the imposition of a \$1m levy on them and other foreign investors by the Ghana Investment Promotion Centre.

Scores of shops belonging to Nigerians, who could not afford the huge business levy, had been forcefully sealed up by Ghanaian traders in December 2019, July and December 2020.

The Federal Government had set up a ministerial committee, which held meetings with Ghanaian officials to resolve