

# Air Force kills 30 terrorists in Zamfara

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Nigerian Air Force fighter jet

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No fewer than 30 terrorists have been killed by airstrikes from the Nigerian Air Force's fighter jets during a raid on terrorists' hideouts in Zamfara State, *The PUNCH* has learnt.

A military source told our correspondent that Halilu is a high-profile arms trafficker responsible for the supply of arms to all other terrorists in Zamfara and Katsina states.

The source noted, "Halilu is the wealthiest terrorist operating in Zamfara and is believed to be responsible for several kidnappings, cattle rustling, and other terrorist activities."

He is also known to frequent the Sububu, Anka (Bayan Daji), and Bayan Ruwa axes in Zamfara.

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The massacre of Halilu's gang members followed credible intelligence, which revealed that he (Halilu) had scheduled an early-morning meeting with some of his foot soldiers at his logistics base in the Maradun Local Government Area of the state.

"After days and weeks of sustained intelligence surveillance and reconnaissance missions over the two locations and verifying the intelligence to be credible, NAF aircraft were, in the early hours of October 21, 2022, scrambled to strike the location of the meeting and the logistics base.

"The Battle Damage Assessment revealed the meeting location and the logistic base to be destroyed. Feedback from locals also confirmed that several terrorists were eliminated as a result of the air strike on the meeting location, though it remains uncertain if Halilu was also killed in the strikes."