

Troops kill 30 terrorists in Borno community

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File: Nigerian Air Force fighter jet

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The Air Component of Operation Hadin Kai, in concert with ground troops, has killed more than 30 terrorists in a joint operation in Borno State.

Director of Public Relations and Information, Nigerian Air Force, Air Commodore Ehimen Ejodame, said the operation took place on Friday at Dar-El-Jamal village in Bama Local Government Area, following reports of terrorist engagement against friendly forces.

He explained that the air component, acting swiftly on the situation report, deployed an intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance mission and an air interdiction mission.

According to him, the aircrew established contact with ground forces in Banki, who confirmed that reinforcements were already moving to support troops.

“On arrival at Dar Jamel, the aircrew visually identified friendly forces before ISR scans revealed terrorists fleeing northwards from the town towards nearby bushes. In a series of three precise and successive strikes, the fleeing terrorists were decisively engaged, resulting in the neutralisation of over 30 insurgents. Shortly afterwards, reinforcement troops arrived at the location, secured the area, and stabilised the situation,” he said.

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Ejodame added that the coordinated success highlighted the seamless synergy between air and ground forces, underscoring the effectiveness of joint counterterrorism efforts.

“This also reinforces the NAF’s resolve to dismantle terrorist networks, protect vulnerable communities, and restore lasting peace to the North East and beyond.”

He further reassured Nigerians of the military’s commitment:

“The NAF, working closely with sister services and other security agencies, will continue to take deliberate and collaborative actions to ensure the safety and security of all citizens across the country.”

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