

Robbers Kill 2, Injure Others

A group of armed robbers have attacked residents of a village near Kontagora in Niger State, killing two persons and injuring many others.

Eyewitnesses told the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* that the incident occurred at about 6.30 p.m., when the armed robbers, numbering 15, invaded the Unguwar Maigoge village.

The robbers, who were said to be armed with sophisticated guns and swords, in a commando-like operation, took over the Mariga/Kontagora highway and cordoned it off.

In the process, *NAN* learnt that the victims were

dispossessed of their monies and valuables.

The deceased were shot when they attempted to escape into a nearby maize farm on spotting the robbers, the eyewitnesses added.

The robbers also inflicted machete cuts on the villagers they could not get money or any valuable from, leaving a trail of wailing after the 30-minute operation.

A police source, who confirmed the robbery, said the Niger State Command had dispatched more policemen to the area.

He said police investigation was going on, but that no arrest had been made.