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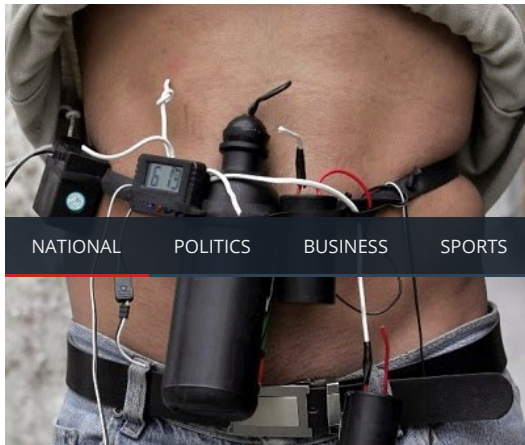
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From **Timothy Olanrewaju**, Maiduguri

A suicide bomber yesterday blew himself up at a military checkpoint at the outskirts of Maiduguri, injuring three people.

A security source told Daily Sun that the bomber was among other passengers in a bus that were ordered to come down for search at the Njimtilo's checkpoint.

The source said the driver of the bus picked the passenger on the way unknown to him that he was a Boko Haram bomber.

The Civilian JTF (vigilance group) at the checkpoint had ordered for a thorough check of the bus, a development that compelled all the passengers, including the bomber to come down, Mohammed Mustapha, a traveller told Daily Sun.

While the passengers were filing out for search and check, the bomber was said to have stepped aside and blew himself up.

A security source said three people were injured.

Meanwhile, the army yesterday warned the people against collecting wrapped items in polythene bags from kids, children or youths not known to them.

Acting Director Army Public Relations, Col. Sani Usman in a message on his social media platform, said Boko

Haram was planning to step up more bomb attacks, warning people to be extra-vigilant.

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