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Task force kills suspected notorious armed robber in Plateau

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Operation Safe Haven, a military security task force maintaining peace in Plateau and some parts of Bauchi and Kaduna states, has killed a suspected notorious armed robber at the Jengre area of Bassa Local Government Area of Plateau State.

Parading the corpse of the suspected robber in Jos, the commander of the outfit, Major-General Chukuemaka Okonkwo, said they also recovered guns.

He said, "At 11:45pm on 17 March 17, 2021, troops of Operation Safe Haven on night patrol received a distress call of an armed robbery incident at Kutaya Street, Jengre in Bassa Local Government Area of Plateau State. The troops swiftly mobilised to the scene, where a shopowner, one Mr Reuben, was robbed of his personal belongings.

In the process, one of the armed robbers was neutralised, while the other two escaped with gunshot injuries. Items recovered include one AK 47, one fabricated riffle, one automatic pistol, 16 of 9mm rounds ammunition, and a mobile phone."

He said the corpse of the killed robber had been deposited at the Plateau State Specialist Hospital while troops intensified the search for others.