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MAKURDI

Again, herdsmen kill 6, injure 12 farmers in Benue

Terrorists believed to be of Fulani extraction on Wednesday launched a deadly attack on two communities in Logo Local Government Area of Benue State leaving at least six farmers dead and 12 others severely injured.

The attack which occurred about 9 pm when most farmers had closed from the farm and were about to go to bed, is coming exactly one week after Governor Samuel Ortom launched the State's Community Volunteer Guards to assist conventional security agencies combat terrorists in the state.

Governor Ortom had at the passing out parade of the security outfit, declared his readiness to spill the last pint of his blood

to secure the state, noting that he would write President Muhammadu Buhari seeking his approval for purchase of arms for the Volunteer Guards.

New Telegraph gathered that the communities attacked are: Tse Ngojov and Tse Valem Yaweh in Mbagum community of Tombo council ward in the local government which is the home of Senator Gabriel Suswam.

A community leader in the area, Chief Joseph Anawa, who confirmed the attack, gave names of those killed in the attack to include: Mr. Ander John, Mr. Vihior Mtonga, Mr. Morgan Varem, Mr. Saaio Uyoosu, Mr. Aondoyima Tarbo and Mr. Peter Asondo; while those badly injured include one Mrs. Tern-

gu Tyavkase Usue, Mr. Igbaule Valem and Mr. Chiater Tarbo a.k. a Ajimmy.

Chief Anawa said that the injured persons are receiving treatment at the Primary Health Care at Ayilamo in the local government.

The Security Adviser to the governor, Col. Paul Hembra (rtd), also confirmed the incident, saying already Governor Ortom had directed chairman of the local government, Mrs. Salome Tor to evacuate all those injured for treatment in Makurdi and bury those killed.

Chairperson of the local government, Hon. Mrs. Salome Tor confirmed the attack and killings.

Hon. Tor said "six people were killed, 12 people badly injured and



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corpses of deceased persons have been deposited at the Primary Health Care Center in Ayilamo.

"People are running helter-skelter, moving from the hinterlands to Ayilamo town. I have reported the matter to the secu-

rity Adviser to the Governor and sent him pictures of those killed including the injured.

"The attack was without provocation and it occurred at 9am on Wednesday," Mrs. Tor said.

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