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3 Explosives Detonated in Kano, Officer Shot Dead

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Kano Boko Haram bomb attack

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Suspected gunmen on Wednesday night, attacked a police check point along Madobi Road by Sani Abacha Youth Centre in Dorayi quarters, Kumbotso Local Government Area of Kano State.

The gunmen, who drove in a Golf car and three motorcycles to the check point, were

said to have disobeyed the instruction issued to them by the Police to park during a stop-and-search, before they allegedly opened fire on the policemen.

In the ensuing commotion, the policemen were said to have quickly repelled the attack, but lost an officer in the process after he was shot by the gunmen.

Spokesman of the state Police Command, Rilwan Mohammed, deputy superintendent of police (DSP), who confirmed the attack to THISDAY, said: "We lost an officer during the attack, but our men on duty repel the attack."

Rilwan explained that the policemen chased the gunmen who later abandoned their vehicle which was loaded with explosives and fled.

He said a combined team of police anti-bomb squad who were alerted successfully detonated the Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) found inside the abandoned vehicle, adding that: "There were serious gunshots in the area, but the security agents were able to bring the situation under control."

THISDAY gathered that the loud bangs of detonated explosives caused serious panic among residents of the area at about 10.45 pm, who scampered for safety.

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