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Soldier kills 3, injures 5 during peace talks in Jos

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Jos—A soldier attached to the Special Task Force maintaining security in Plateau State, last night, shot dead three people and injured five others in Tudun-Wada area of Jos, the state capital.

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The soldier was said to have been invited to intervene in a quarrel between two family members and in the process fired into the crowd that had gathered at the house to settle the quarrel.

One of the victims, who was hit on the chest at close range, died instantly while two others who were rushed to Plateau Specialist Hospital were also said to have died later.

Neighbours were said to have gathered to try and settle the two brothers and did not expect the reaction from the soldier since there was no commotion.

The situation led to a stampede in the area as people ran for cover in the

belief that the soldier had run amok. An eyewitness expressed surprise that the soldier would shoot straight into the crowd rather than into the air even if he was trying to disperse them. The five injured persons are on admission at Plateau Specialist Hospital.

No reaction could be got from the STF or the police at press time.

Oil subsidy report ready next week — Lawan

BY BEN AGANDE

BUJA — CHAIRMAN of the House Representatives adhoc committee that investigated management of subsidy regime in the country. Farouk Lawan, has assured that the report of the committee will be ready for presentation on the floor of the House of Representatives next week.

However, with the adjournment of the House for Easter recess yesterday, the report might not be submitted till April 16 when the house reconvenes fully.

Lawan said the delay in

the submission of the report was as a result of the desire of the committee to produce a qualitative report and to unravel more details.

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