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20 killed in Boko Haram raid on Nigerian village — *OFFICIAL*

SUSPECTED Boko Haram gunmen stormed Waga village in Adamawa State killing 20 residents, a government spokesman said Monday.

The heavily armed gunmen stormed the village on Sunday and opened fire on residents, Ahmed Soji said.

"The gunmen believed to be Boko Haram insurgents in trucks and on motorcycles attacked the village where they killed 20 people and burnt several houses," Soji said.

"The whereabouts of several other people are still unknown but it is assumed they fled into the bush to escape the attack and are yet to re-

turn," he said.

A second attack by the marauding gunmen on nearby Gublak village was repelled by soldiers in the area, Soji said without saying if there were casualties in the shootout.

Adamawa State, which is one of three states under emergency law along with Borno and Yobe, has seen a string of deadly Boko Haram attacks.

In February, the group killed 34 people and burnt scores of homes in coordinated bombing and shooting attacks on Michika, Kirchiga and Shuwa towns near the border with Borno State.