

NAF destroys Bandits Logistics base, Kills 25 armed bandits at Ajia, Zamfara State

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The Nigerian Airforce has disclosed that its Air Task Force operating under Operation Diran Mikiya against banditry, on Sunday killed 25 armed bandits terrorizing parts of Zamfara State while the bandits' logistics base was destroyed by air strikes.



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A statement by Air Commodore Ibikunle Daramola, Director, NAF Public Relations and Information said, “The Air Task Force (ATF) for Operation Diran Mikiya has successfully destroyed an armed bandits’ logistics base at Ajia and neutralized dozens of armed bandits at Ajia and Wonaka in Birnin Magaji Local Government Area (LGA) of Zamfara State.

“The operation was executed on 4 April 2019 sequel to Human Intelligence (HUMINT) reports indicating that the armed bandits were using a compound within Ajia as a logistics store to support their operations.

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“Consequently, the ATF dispatched a Nigerian Air Force (NAF) Alpha Jet, supported by an Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) platform, to attack the compound scoring accurate strikes on the target and causing it to erupt into flames.

“The flames engulfed the structures and resulted in the neutralization of some of the bandits.

“Few survivors, seen fleeing the vicinity of the target area, were taken out in follow-on attacks while others, who managed to escape the area, were tracked to Wonaka and equally neutralized.

“Independent HUMINT sources subsequently confirmed that more than 25 armed bandits were neutralized in the attacks on the 2 locations.