

....Slay another 4 in Plateau communities

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JOS—FOUR people have been confirmed killed and one injured in two communities of Irigwe Chiefdom, Bassa local government area, Plateau State as gunmen opened fire on the victims, Tuesday.

Although security agents did not confirm the incidents as the State Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Gabriel Uba did not pick his calls nor reply to the text sent to him at the time of filling this report but Davidson Malison, the National Publicity Secretary, Irigwe Development Association, IDA confirmed the attacks with gory photographs.

According to him, "Four people have been confirmed killed by herders on Tuesday around 6:50 pm. Three persons on a motorcycle were ambushed along Twin Hill Road, Jebbu Miango, Miango District of Irigwe Chiefdom, two were killed instantly and one sustained gunshot injuries. They were on their way from Jebbu Miango to Miango community when the herders

laid an ambush on them. The motorcycle was also burnt to ashes.

"Same evening, two persons were killed on the farm at Nzhwerenvi, Jebbu Miango. Names of victims and ages are

45 years old Bitrus Bulus, 35 years old Yakubu Chohu, 33 years old Friday Gani Kyeri and 19 years old Kyeri Gani. Musa Wah, a 27-year-old young man was injured and receiving treatment in a hospital."

I became a kidnapper to raise money — SUSPECT

By Charly Agwam

BAUCHI—A 21-year-old suspected kidnapper, Muhammad Aliyu, arrested by Police in Bauchi, said he went into kidnapping to raise money to start a business because his father could not provide the required capital.

Aliyu, a WASSCE holder from Government Day Secondary School, Rimin Zayam, also told newsmen in Bauchi, yesterday, that he could not further his studies for lack of money.

According to him, he and his gang of kidnappers were caught after they kidnapped their first victim and collected a ransom of N500,000, out of which he received N60,000.

"I was arrested and brought to

the Police headquarters because I am a kidnapper. This is my first time and we only kidnapped one person. We released him after the payment of N500,000 ransom.

Someone enticed me to go into kidnapping so that I can get the capital to go back to business. Although I told him that I was scared because my father had warned me not to touch anything that does not belong to me, I gave in somehow and became a kidnapper.

"We were four that did the operation. And I was given N60,000 as my share from the proceeds. Our boss and our friend escaped but we were arrested. I wanted to use my share of the money to start a business. I had a provision store at Rimin Zayam town (in Toro Local Government Area of Bauchi State), but along the line, I lost my business capital.