

Troops kill 32 bandits fleeing Zamfara in Niger ●5 cops slain

32 armed bandits fleeing Zamfara were Sunday killed by security forces at Bangu Gari in the Rafi Local Government Area of Niger State after the bandits attacked a security post, and shot dead five policemen who attempted to confront them.

A security source told PRNigeria that the armed bandits, who fled Zamfara State due to the ongoing military operation, had earlier wreaked havoc on the community.

"The bandits came in their large numbers with sophisticated weapons including rocket launchers after fleeing their camps at Danjibga and Munhayе in

Tsafe Local Government Area of Zamfara State.

"They stormed the police station at Bangu Gari in Rafi Local Government Area and killed five policemen during the exchange of gunfire.

"Immediately a signal was received and a detachment of joint security forces was despatched. The troops on reinforcement successfully ambushed the marauding bandits while attempting to escape through Tегina axis.

"At least 32 of the bandits were killed including their leaders, Karki Buzu and Yalo Nagoshi while another kingpin, Ali Kawaji sustained serious gun wounds," the source said.