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Police kill terrorists' leader in Katsina, rescue kidnap victim in Plateau

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A notorious terrorists leader. -1 Thrahim Dangawo, was yesterday, killed by police operatives, while repelling an attack on its Magama 'Nipping Point', along Jibia-Katsina Road.

One AK-47 rifle, along with four magazines containing 90 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition, as well as money, among other exhibits, were recovered from the assailants, in the ll process.

Dangawo's gang are suspected to be responsible for the attack and killing of DSP Abdulkadir Rano, the former Divisional Police Officer in charge of Jibia LGA killed last year.

The spokesman of the Command, SP Gambo Isah, who disclosed this in a statement however noted that two of its officers sustained gunshot wounds and are undergoing treatment.

As contained in the statement, Dangawo and his gang attacked the checkpoint around 4:30 am on Monday but were subdued by police operatives after a fierce gun duel in which many of the hoodlums were injured.

Also, a kidnap victim, Alexander Plangnan, was rescued by operatives of the Plateau State Police Command, and a stolen vehicle was also recovered in the process.

Plangnan is a serving Permanent Secretary in the State and was abducted, on Sunday, in his house in the state's Low-Cost area, Rantya, Jos South Local Government Area of the state.

Confirming the incident, the State Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Alfred Alabo said: "On 01/01/2023 at about 2130hrs, a distress call was received from a good Samaritan and a resident of State Low-cost, Jos South LGA, that one Alexander Plangnan 'm', the Permanent Secretary of Plateau State Ministry of Work was kidnapped in his official Hi-Lux vehicle at the gate of his residence at State Low-cost by four unknown gunmen.

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