

Troops kill bandit in fierce battle, rescue 14 in Kaduna village

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Troops of Sector Four of Operation Whirl Punch and Special Forces of the 167 Battalion have cleared a bandit hideout during a fierce encounter in Kaduna State.

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Aruwan, Commissioner, Ministry of Internal Security and Home Affairs, Kaduna State, yesterday, confirmed the development in a statement.

The troops, who, according to the statement, embarked on a long range fighting patrol to Tukurua general area of Chikun Local Government Area, LGA, engaged and

overpowered the outlaws, neutralising one, with others fleeing in disarray.

"The troops during the operation rescued 14 kidnapped victims, comprising nine men and five women. The victims were moved to a secure location for debriefing and examination before being reunited with their families," it said.