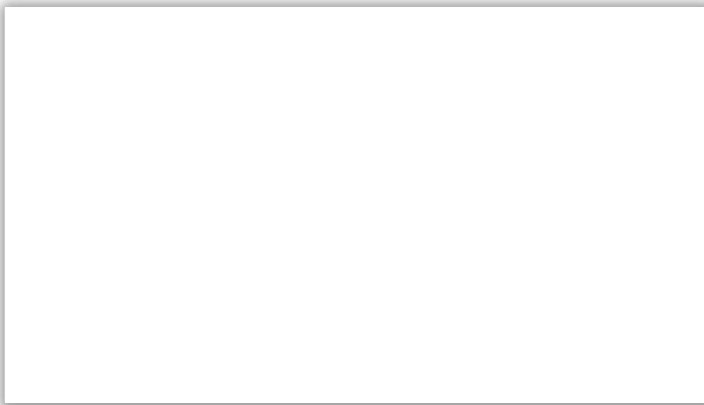


Suspected bandits kill village head, kidnap scores in Niger



Niger—Suspected bandits have killed the Village Head of Zazzaga, in Munya Local Government Area of Niger State, Malam Usman Sarki, and abducted several others.

A community leader, who pleaded anonymity, told newsmen in Munya that the suspected bandits launched the attack on Zazzaga and adjoining communities, Tuesday night.

The source said that an unspecified number of farmers including women were also kidnapped.



According to the source, “the attack was led by suspected bandits who shot the village Head of Zazzaga, Malam Usman Sarki, and abducted several others.

” For now, we cannot give the exact number of people they took away. They also rustled many cattle, goats and sheep belonging to us.”

When contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Wasiu Abiodun confirmed the incident.

Abiodun, however, said that he was yet to get the full details of the alleged attack by the suspected bandits.

