

We've never enlisted repentant Boko Haram members into Army —Spokesman • As Army arrest soldier for killing girlfriend

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ABUJA-The Nigerian Army has declared emphatically that at no time did it enlist repentant Boko Haram members into its fold, saying reports to that effect in the social media was born out of mischief.

It made this known, following reports that a repentant Boko Haram terrorist allegedly absolved into the force, gruesomely murdered his female partner.

Director of Army Public Relations, Major Gen Onyema Nwachukwu, gave the clari-

fication in a statement, titled "Re: Repented Boko Haram Member Enlisted into Nigerian Army Slits Woman's Throat in Enugu Barracks, Hides Corpse"

The statement read: "The attention of the Nigerian Army has been drawn to a publication by an online media on April 13, 2024.

"Much as it is highly regrettable that a young lady lost her life in the hands of a man with whom she was in an amorous relationship, the incident should not be latched on to insinuate a laughable

claim that the dastardly act was committed by a repentant Boko Haram recruited into the Nigerian Army.

"It is pertinent, therefore, to clear the air on the allegation as insinuated by the medium.

"The NA has at no point in time, either in the past or present, enlisted repentant Boko Haram members to its fold.

"However, considerations were given to Civilian Joint Task Force, CJTF, who in the fight against terrorism and insurgency in the North East, distinguished themselves morally and patriotically."