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## **With U.S. Backing, Nigeria's Security Surge Keeps Delivering For Nigerian Christians**

Backed by U.S. military training and intelligence, President Tinubu's security surge continues to make major gains against across Nigeria. In two separate operations this month, Nigerian forces killed more than 45 terrorists and foiled attacks on vulnerable communities.

On October 10 in Borno State, troops of Operation Hadin Kai [killed](#) more than 40 fighters, including a prominent ISIS commander, in a precision airstrike that stopped a planned attack on troops and nearby villages. The strike destroyed the terrorists' enclave along with its operational

assets. According to an army spokesperson, it “[\*represents a significant setback to the group's ability to launch attacks and sustain its activities in the Lake Chad region.\*](#)”

Then, on October 13, troops under the same operation [repelled](#) an attack on a forward operating base in Adamawa State, killing six attackers and seizing weapons, ammunition, and other combat equipment.

These victories build on sustained momentum in Nigeria's North Central states, where security forces have been combating Fulani militants and protecting Christian communities.

Earlier in October, Nigerian forces [killed](#) 52 terrorists, arrested 350 suspects, and rescued 655 victims in a single week. With support from UK intelligence, they also [killed](#) senior ISIS commander Abdussamad Ohida and foiled a planned attack aimed at disrupting the 2027 elections.

In September, security forces [arrested](#) Mahmoud Adam, the Fulani militant leader responsible for much of the violence against Christians in the North Central states.

These gains were made possible by the steadfast support of President Trump and the U.S. military, which have provided Nigerian security forces with the training, intelligence, and critical weapons they need to confront terrorism.

### **U.S. Government Officials Praise Counterterrorism Progress**

U.S. government officials have taken notice of the sustained progress against terrorists in Nigeria.

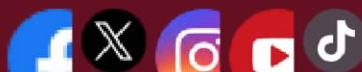
On September 28, the U.S. State Department publicly commended Nigerian security forces for their “[\*strong response to the latest attacks from Fulani Militant groups\*](#)” and pledged to continue working with the Nigerian government to protect Christians in the North Central states.

Then, on October 2, even Rep. Riley Moore—a frequent critic and peddler of “Christian Genocide” propaganda—joined in, celebrating the arrest of Mahmoud Adam, a Fulani terrorist leader, saying, “[\*The Nigerian government deserves credit for making this arrest.\*](#)”

Now that Rep. Moore has seen the progress President Tinubu's security surge is making, perhaps he'll consider rescinding his legislation to condition aid to Nigeria at this critical moment.

These counterterrorism operations make the solution clear: protecting Nigerian Christians means strengthening the U.S.–Nigeria partnership that has delivered hard-fought results in a region ravaged by terrorism for decades.

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