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Boko Haram killed hundreds in northeast Nigeria, witnesses say

- Boko Haram militants dressed as soldiers killed at least 200 civilians in three communities in northeastern Nigeria, and the military failed to intervene even though it was warned an attack was imminent, witnesses said on Thursday June 5.
- A community leader who witnessed the killings on Monday said residents had pleaded for the military to send soldiers to protect the area after they heard that militants were about to attack, but help did not arrive.
- Source: The Guardian

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/jun/05/boko-haram-killed-hundreds-north-east-nigeria>

Gunmen posing as preachers kill dozens in northeast Nigeria

- Suspected Islamist militants pretending to be preachers rounded up and killed at least 42 villagers in northeastern Nigeria on Wednesday June 4, a police source said.
- The attackers told people to gather for a sermon and opened fire. No group has claimed responsibility for the attack, but Boko Haram has been responsible for nearly daily attacks in the area.
- Source: The Globe and Mail

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/world/gunmen-posing-as-preachers-kill-dozens-in-northeast-nigeria-police/article19039578/>

Nigeria says military infiltrated by Boko Haram sympathizers

- With its search for more than 200 kidnapped schoolgirls still in disarray, Nigeria is accusing its own military officers of sabotaging the battle against Boko Haram, reports say.
- Ten generals and five other senior officers were put on trial in courts-martial and found guilty of giving ammunition and secret information to Boko Haram, according to Nigerian media reports. A Nigerian military spokesman denied the reports.
- The reports were the latest sign of dissent and confusion in Nigeria's notoriously corrupt army, which has repeatedly failed to defeat Boko Haram in a series of brutal campaigns over the past five years.
- Source: The Globe and Mail

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/world/nigerian-generals-officers-found-guilty-of-aiding-boko-haram-report/article18959056/>

“The ease and precision with which these [Boko Haram] attacks are carried out, despite numerous security checkpoints and the number of security personnel deployed in the zone, is worrisome and unjustifiable.”

– Statement by the Nigeria Labour Congress
