

Shocking Nda Attack: Threat and Implication to National Security and Peace of the Nigerian State in the 21st Century

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Abstract

This paper examined how the attack of the Nigerian Defence Academy (NDA) by terrorist is a threat and implication to national security and peace of the Nigerian State in the 21st Century, the attack symbolized that the Nigerian State and its people are not safe in the hands of terrorists, kidnappers, bandits and the so called “unknown gun men” that have been causing panic in the hearts of concerned Nigerians and the International Community. The NDA attack means that Nigeria is in a state of uncertainty, for the NDA to be attacked and the attackers were able to go scot-free, it is unacceptable. The NDA attack was an affront, abuse, insult, slight and snub on Nigeria’s National Security. The attack stands condemned, NDA has been a bride of Nigeria’s military and should not have been attacked and made a theatre of bloodletting. Nigeria must do its best to protect the Academy and its heritage. The paper commiserates with the families of all those who lost their loved ones during the NDA attack. The paper strongly calls on the military to stand up and defend the NDA as the safety and Defence for the Nigerian State. The Security operatives are also called upon to fish out the perpetrators of the NDA attack so that they will be punished according to the law. The study adopted the descriptive methodology, it drew upon primary and secondary sources. Primary sources include oral information and testimonies. Newspapers and magazines reports were also used together with official records in government publications. Secondary sources include relevant books, the researcher also made use of direct observation method; all the information gathered were subjected to historical examination.

Keywords: NDA attack, threat, implication, national security, Nigeria.

Introduction

On Tuesday, August 24, 2021 terrorists were said to have invaded Nigeria's foremost military institution, the Nigerian Defence Academy (NDA), Afaka, Kaduna, killing two officers and abducting one. It was unfortunate that due to the porous security network in the NDA, the terrorist came in wearing army uniforms and enter the NDA permanent site along Airport Road Afaka, in the Igabi Local Government Area of Kaduna State around 1 am. The terrorist came in through a broken fence and caught the residences unawares. Apart from killing two officers, another officer, 2nd LT Onah, was injured during the attack and is receiving treatment in a military facility within the NDA. It was sad that the officers who were manning the NDA closed circuit Television Cameras could not raise alarm when the terrorists stormed the academy. Concern Nigerians are worried that the NDA security could have put everyone on alert, and avert the attack. Security experts described the attack as embarrassing; adding that it could have been foiled if the security guards were alert and vigilant. The NDA is a military university that trains the top brass of the Nigerian Army, Navy and Airforce officers. The NDA is famous for its military erudition, security foresight, learning and military knowledge and strategies to fight crime and criminality. Its officers are well trained military personnel by all standards. It is also in the NDA that the military strategically scheme and programme to fight war. The NDA is also a military "think tank" for Nigeria. The NDA also house a lot of military thinkers, brains, ideologists, imaginists, intellects, philosophers, sage and military historians. For terrorists to invade the NDA is unthinkable to concerned Nigerians that respect the Academy.

Investigations shows that what aided the attack; whether it was insiders' connivance, negligence or dereliction of duty by guards or other extraneous factors or circumstances. According to Bashir Muhd Jajira (2021) spokesperson for the academy, in a statement said *"The security architecture of the NDA was compromised early in the morning that made the unknown gunmen who gained access into the residential area within the Academy in Afaka. During the unfortunate incident, we lost two personnel and one was abducted"*.

There has been a massive outrage after the attack at NDA. The southern Kaduna People's Union (SOKAPU), who reacted to the attack described it as unfortunate and unacceptable. According to the umbrella body of Southern Kaduna People, if nothing was done on the current attack, then it means the regime of President Buhari need to do more to curb crime in Nigeria. According to spokesman for SOKAPU, Luka Binniyat, (2021) in an interview with *Punch Newspaper* narrated that the impunity and dazing way in which the NDA attack was carried out without any casualties on the part of invaders pointed to a more serious danger to Nigeria's democracy. According to a security expert, Cabiru Adamu (2021), residence of Kaduna State are worried that the terrorists could gathered courage to enter

the Defence Academy. Nigerians are all sitting ducks in the hands of outlaws, who may be executing a sinister agenda to take over Nigeria. The Federal Government should take their primary responsibility seriously to protect life and property before the military sink lower than have been imagined. The bandits attacked on the NDA is very disturbing to concerned Nigerians who regard the military University with great regard and repute. It was ridiculous that the terrorists attacked the NDA easily, they operated for hours without hinderance and in the process killed two senior officers identified as Lieutenant Commodore Wallah and Lieutenant Okoronkwo, they abducted Major Datong, whom they took away, fortunately, Major Datong was later rescued. What really pained and annoyed many Nigerians is that what gave the terrorist the nerve and audacity to infiltrate the Defence Academy and successfully execute a terrorist act with precision and not even one of the attackers was arrested or killed. It is sad to note that with the increase in general insecurity in Northern Nigeria and now the invasion of the NDA continues the unravelling of the APC and Buhari led government in Nigeria. Historically, the NDA debacle is an event that would never be forgotten in a hurry in the recent history of Nigeria. The NDA attack is worse than the Chibok/Dapchi school abductions because the NDA attack occurred in the heart of Nigeria's military institution. When history looks back at this moment and epoch, it is going to be a big deal. The NDA attack is recorded as one of the worst catastrophes, blow, fiasco, misfortune and tragedy in the war against terror for the Nigerian military and people. It a failure of President Buhari, that as a former military top brass for the NDA attack to happen during his own administration. Worst of it all, Buhari promised Nigerian that if he is voted as the President of Nigeria insurgency and terrorist attack would stop. In this direction, the attack of the NDA by terrorist is a threat to national security and the peace of the Nigerian state under the watch of president Buhari.

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The attack of the Nigerian Defence Academy (NDA) by terrorists on Thursday, August 24, 2021, left the Nigerian military and people stunned. Since the attack the presidency has remained tight-lipped about the terror fight. The NDA attack exposed the sparked of bloody power struggle to destroy the good image and reputation of the Nigerian Defence Academy by terror groups. Especially as Nigeria is hard hit by the activity of insurgency, kidnapping, banditry, maiming and rape of women with impunity in the recent history of the nation. The NDA attack expose the failure of the Buhari led administration and the military to anticipate what they should have known. What the red lights were flashing the whole time was that Kaduna, the permanent site of the NDA has been under attack and that security men and their facilities were targets of obvious attacks and as such ought to be alert. (Aguiyi C, 2021, p.23).

The success of the NDA attack by gunmen is an implication that the Academy has been infiltrated by terrorists and terrorists' sympathizers. The attack on NDA by gunmen is also an implication that the security in the NDA was weakened, compromised, jeopardies and undermined by corruption, ethnic politics, religious sentiment and nepotism, instead of brilliance, magnificence training, justice and discipline. The security men and women guarding the NDA by training supposed to be astute, bright and intelligence to masterly check and avert invaders at all time. Unfortunate not even one of the attackers were arrested, what a shame and embarrassment to national security and peace of the Nigerian State in the 21st Century. The NDA is where the Nigerian military top brass are trained. The Academy is highly respected in Africa and the world at large. It is important to note that the National Army of Nigeria is trained in the NDA. But the setbacks of nepotism, corruption and ethnic politics have affected proper scrutiny of people that enter the NDA. The NDA attack is a pointer to the fact that the security architecture of the Defence Academy was compromised and the implication is that the guards were either careless, unpatriotic or that the guards have insiders as active saboteur or collaborator. It was sad and sacrosanct that the bandits operated freely for hours, killed the officers, kidnapped one and fled without any resistance, impediment and struggle from the NDA guards. It means the NDA guards have received acceptance, submission, and lost the will to fight, and repel attack. It also means that the antagonist and foes are neither fearful nor afraid of the Nigerian military might.

The NDA attacks has really questioned the kind of army Nigeria parade, display, exhibit, flaunt, train and swagger during the NDA marching parade and motorcade? The NDA attack has also questioned all our investment on military equipment, carriage, accessories, impedimenta, material outfit, supplies, training and tackles. As Aguiyi aptly pointed out in his article entitled "when enough is enough" *Saturday Sun*, August 28, 2021, p.23, "Even if all our Army personnel do is to frolic, drink pepper soup and beer, they should not put us into this kind of shame. If the army cannot defend their barracks and formations, if they cannot protect their wives and daughters from being raped and assaulted right inside their barracks, it means they cannot defend the people and the nation". It's sad Nigeria is advancing toward a precipice, bluff and a cliff face right before our eyes. the NDA attack indicate that we do not have security anymore and worse that the geographic expression called Nigeria is no more sacred anymore. Everything seems to be fallen apart. The NDA attack has kept concerned Nigerians deeply embarrassed. Our foreign friends who regarded Nigeria as the Giant of Africa are also embarrassed. The NDA attack will make other countries to feel that Nigeria army are toothless bull dogs that can bark but cannot bite. It will encourage aggressive nations to feel that if they commit their own act of aggression on Nigeria nothing will happen.

The NDA attack will also encourage other terrorist organizations and groups in the world to perceive that Nigeria is a fertile ground to breed other terrorists' groups in Africa and as a base to exploit the rich mineral resources in sub-Saharan Africa. The NDA attacks has exposed the fact that Nigeria is no more the regional power in Africa as portrayed by military experts. For a house divided amongst itself cannot stand external aggression. All eyes are on Nigeria to fight and defeat terrorism. With the easy NDA attack by bandits and unknown gunmen, and with the easy takeover of Afghanistan by the Taliban-symbolized that if care is not taken terrorists may take over the seat of power in Abuja, Nigeria one day, God forbid bad thing! It is unfortunate, the Buhari led government is in negotiation with the terrorists of Boko Haram that surrenders to the military. It is sad the Government might integrate some of the terrorists sooner than later into the society/security apparatus so long as it serves some sinister agenda. These are some of the issues that disturb concerned Nigerians on the type of National Army Nigeria is forming with the spirit of nepotism, whether it will end up producing tribal or sectional army that will be unable to protect the sovereignty of the Nigerian State and its people; only the future will explain better! It is important to note that a patriotic, inclusive and national army may not allow the NDA attack to repeat itself in the history of Nigeria. In a diverse socio-cultural and religions society like Nigeria, tribal or sectional build-up of the military does not reflect the federal character and the will of the founding fathers; hence cases of NDA attacks will often come up because the military officers can easily compromise their loyalty against a lopsided and sectional military composition and structure. A group you deny Justice and fairness do not understand the language of peace and development. With the NDA attack by terrorists many Nigerians now believe that the security situation in Nigeria under the Buhari led administration is worse than the situation in 2015, when he took over from president Goodluck Jonathan. Patriotic Nigerians point out that Nigerian's were better off in 2015 than now in Buhari watch in all ramifications.

The NDA attack by terrorist supposed to disturb president Buhari because the event portrays him as clawless president in terms of fighting crime and criminality in the recent history of Nigeria. If the president truly wants to leave office a hero, he must strive to crush the nation's deteriorating insecurity as it was witnessed in the NDA attack by terrorist that embarrassed every well-meaning Nigerian to the spine.

The NDA attack by terrorists has threatened the corporate existence of Nigeria, because it has terrified the citizenry. The NDA attack is now clear in public knowledge that the war against insecurity is far from being over. The recent security breach at the nation's elite military school, the Nigerian Defence Academy (NDA) Kaduna and the worsening insecurity in Jos, Plateau State are indications that the security challenges are not abating,

contrary to the earlier Federal Government positions that terrorism has been defeated in Nigeria. In a recent report in *Sunday Sun* editorial, August 29, 2021, p.9, Governor Babagana Zulum of Borno State lamented that over 100,000 indigenes of the State had been killed since the outbreak of Boko Haram insurgency. There have also been killings and abductions in other parts of the country. The NDA attack by terrorist has worsen the climate of insecurity in Nigeria in recent time and its negative influence in scaring away investors, causing capital flight and accounting for the sharp drop in Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Nigeria. A recent data from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) and the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) indicated a drastic drop in FDI to its lowest level in over 11 years, crashing to \$77.97 million in Q2 2021, compared to \$154.76 million and \$148.59million recorded in the first quarter and Q2 2020 respectively.

The NDA attack by terrorist symbolized the North is in its darkest era of retrogression because of the insecurity ravaging the region. The NDA attack by terrorists also ruled out the possibility of the North catching up with educational gab between the North and the South. Insecurity has led to closure of many schools in recent times in most states in the North. The NDA attack by terrorists will threaten many military scholars and parent to send their children to the military University. Parents are disturbed when their love ones are kidnapped and maimed by terrorists. The menace of banditry, students kidnapping and general insecurity currently pervading the North is most unfortunate development with devastating consequences to the growth of education. With the recent NDA attack and other insecurity, the North has entered its darkest era in terms of education growth. It will affect generation yet unborn. With the NDA attack, there is a general apprehension by parent and guardians to send their beloved ones and children to the Academy and other educational institutions in the North for fear of being kidnapped, especially bearing in mind that once kidnapped the parents and school authorities are on their own in the majority of the cases as government at all levels adopt a nonchalant attitude to the plight of the victims and their parents. (Magaji, B, 2021, p.10). The NDA attack has made many Nigerians to begin to live in fear. Furthermore, this idea of recycling terrorists back into military in the guise of repentance and sorriness is worrisome and disturbing. The NDA attack symbolized the Academy have traitors among them that are threat to national security and peace of the Nigerian State. Let them flush them out, if there is anybody suspected. So that peace and harmony will return to the NDA. (Tunji Shelle 2021, p.22)

Conclusion

The NDA attack by terrorist means that all of us are not safe, it means that the country is in a state of uncertainty, bewilderment, insecurity, risk, skepticism, vagueness and unpredictability. For NDA to be attacked and the attackers were able to go scot-free, it is unacceptable, unpleasing, and improper. It is also unpardonable, disgraceful, indefensible and unforgivable. As captain Tunji Shelle rightly pointed (2021, p.22), “from the commandant to the recruit and everybody in charge of duty on the day, all of them have to be court martialed. It is unacceptable, nobody will hear it and be happy.... They have radar to monitor NDA, I cannot understand it. it is a total embarrassment to the nation. It means we do not know what we are doing and we’d better wake up fast so that terrorists will not take over this country, it is like an insider work is there, people know NDA inside out; they go there every Friday to pray and that is why they could go to the classrooms, the Vice Chancellors office and rubbished everybody. It is an embarrassment to the nation” (Tunji Shelle, 2021, p.22). The NDA should be properly secured, even if terrorist attack, the guards should be able to fight back and get rid of the terrorists and then punish them severely so as to serve as a deterrent to other criminals and terrorists. The commandant of the NDA should stop the regular Friday prayers in the premises of the NDA, especially now that the security situation is shaky so that terrorists, kidnappers and bandits should not have access to the NDA facilities. It is a national embarrassment for terrorist to attack the NDA. The military should wake up from their slumber if they have any traitor among them, let them flush them out. If there is anybody suspected, let them arrest the person. The NDA attacks has revealed that the idea of recycling terrorists back into the military in the guise of repentance cannot work; the practice should be stopped if there is anything like that. The NDA attack by terrorist has put every Nigerian into fear, it is left to government to listen to the advice of the experts. The governor of Borno State, Prof Babagana Zulum (2021, p.22) even recently suggested the used of mercenaries to clear the insurgents once and for all, let’s pay for it and get out of this mess.

Furthermore, the NDA attack has manifested that we have to close our porous borders from terrorists coming in and out of the Sahel region to destabilize the Nigerian State and its people. The NDA attack by terrorist is a pointer that even though the nation’s insecurity predates Buhari administration, the buck stops at his desk. He came to power on the premise to correct the weaknesses of his predecessors. It is also important to remind him that his campaign for the president of Nigeria centered on fighting insecurity, eradicating corruption and fixing the economy. To succeed, he must desist from blame game and face the challenge at hand. The NDA attack in the recent history of Nigeria means that the war against terror and general insecurity needs more pragmatic approach. The NDA attack by terrorists means that the terrorists are ahead of the security agencies. That narrative must

be change. The security chiefs may need to change tactics if the war must be won. The president should also review some of his policies and strategies in the prosecution of the terror war. The NDA attack by terrorists also symbolized that all hands must be on deck to overcome our security challenges. The terrorist should no longer be treated with kid gloves. The NDA attack by terrorists also indicates that apart from tackling insecurity, the President should also address poverty, hunger and unemployment, these are the major causes of insecurity. The NDA attacks by terrorist also means let the president be open to the good advice from other military and security experts to handles the crippling insecurity challenges.

Recommendations

This paper has come forth with the following recommendations and lessons to be learnt from the shocking NDA attack by terrorists in the recent history of the Nigerian state and the military.

1. The NDA attack by terrorist on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, was a mock on Nigeria's entire defense and security apparatus and architecture. The attackers conveyed an unmistakable message, there is nowhere, no institution, and no agency of government that is impenetrable, secure and unreachable. Terrorists can strike at the souls of the country's defense anytime, anywhere and anyway they choose. Therefore, the military should be prepared to clamp down on them.
2. The NDA attack and onslaught by terrorist symbolized and means national embarrassment and scandal. The repercussions and implications are many, worrying and grave as many concerned Nigerians have pointed out nobody is safe from the terrorists and criminal attacks. The raid on the NDA is a strike on the soul of the military intellect and the security psyche of the Nigerian state. The NDA is not an ordinary institution. It is an elite academy that represents the centerpiece of Nigeria's national defence, security policy, planning, training and management. The military must come out to fight the terror and give Nigerians peace of mind.
3. The NDA attack on Tuesday, August, 2021, symbolized that the Elite Academy ought to have been fortified against foreseen and unforeseen attack of any kind. Sadly, it was not. If terror groups can kidnap school children easily. The NDA, a military institution should have been extremely difficult for terror groups to infiltrate. That was the impression every patriotic Nigerian had until the attack on NDA. By that relaxation, terrorist shattered the NDA, our national dignity and sense of superiority. The NDA attack is a wakeup call to activate, arouse, fire,

galvanize and kindle the Nigerian military to arise from their slumber to fight bravely the terror war in the recent history of the Nigerian state.

4. The NDA attack by terrorists indicate that the Nigerian military should join or partner with all governments across the world to fight global terror groups. The Nigerian government and the military should fortify their national defence and tighten their national security; so that the soldiers responsible for protecting military institutions should not be caught unaware. Nigeria should not become a theater of the absurd and breeding of terrorist; a place where terrorist and bandits have made it impossible for people to live a peaceful life; a nation where law and order do not operate or function. The Nigerian military that of Cameroon, Chad, Niger, and Benin Republic to chase away terror groups across the Sahel sub region, so that terror groups cannot gang up to execute their evil plans.
5. The NDA attack by terrorists indicate that the Nigerian government and military should do everything possible so that terror groups do not drag the country down the precipice. The government and the military must take full responsibility to defend the Nigerian state and its people from terror war. The government and the military should stop shifting blames. If the NDA guards were brave enough the NDA attack would have been foil or prevented. The NDA attack signifies failure of intelligence. If intelligence gathering and sharing have been as effective and prompt as it ought to be, the plot would have been disrupted before the terrorist struck. (Obijiofor, L, 2021, p.32)
6. The NDA attack by terrorists symbolized that there is a high level of insecurity in Nigeria in recent time. The image of the country, the government and the military are threatened. It is high time the military stand up and act decisively to clamp down on terror groups, and criminals in the country. A government that talks but fail to act offers an invitation to criminals and terrorist to commit more crimes and act of aggression. Because they know the government and military are toothless bull dogs that can bark but cannot bite. The Federal Government should manifest the political will power and effective leadership role to establish a sense of law and order to fight terror.
7. The NDA assault by terrorists also symbolized that 2023 national elections will provide an opportunity for Nigerians to elect an energetic and un biased president who is open- minded and inclusive in decision to fight the terror war effectively. Hence, the manifesto of every presidential candidate should be scrutinized

carefully and thoroughly. As Atiku Abubakar (2021, p.23) pointed out the role of leadership in society “when a country has abundant human and natural resources but still wobbles. It is clear that it has not had good leadership. A country is developed by people, and people need someone to organize them, to train them, and to motivate them--- they need someone to listen to them, to love and care for them---- When the leader is committed, the rest tend to follow. But when the head is rotten, the rest of the body tends to rot as well.” Good leadership in Nigeria will be able to fight the terror war and curb crime and criminality in the society.

8. The fact that the NDA attackers were not repelled or caught underscores the gaps in our security system and how daring the terrorist called bandits could be. It therefore means that the government and military have to come out fully to tackle crime and criminality caused by terrorists and not dishing out excuses and empty threats. The military need to identify, pursue and eliminate the terrorists and bandits anywhere they could find them.
9. The NDA attack indicate that Nigerians recently in the face of increasing insurgency and criminality to take up arms and defend themselves against attacks by terrorists. In apparent realization of this fact, Defence minister, Major-General Bashir Magashi (2021), recently wondered why Nigerians had become cowards and not defending themselves against attacks by bandits. Likewise, Katsina State Governor, Bello Massai (2021), also urged Nigerians recently to take up arms defend themselves against such attacks.
10. The NDA attack by terrorist also symbolized that investor cannot come into a country with this kind of security profile. Every investor wants security of his investments. When this cannot be guaranteed. They look elsewhere, these are no sentiment. So, this government must make every effort to crackdown on terrorism that threaten the peace of the Nigerian State and its people.
11. The NDA attack by terrorist helps to testify the judgement that Nigeria was adjudged the third most terrorized country in the world for the six consecutive year. These bandits must be properly addressed as terrorists and handled as such. The sponsors of all the terror groups in Nigeria should be arrested and prosecuted by the law. That is why we have the intelligence arm of the military; they should do the work for which they are paid. The attack on the NDA by terrorist is the attack on the sovereignty of the Nigerian State. Any Nigerian with useful information on the operations of terrorists should give such relevant information to the military and the law enforcement agencies. In recent time, war against terror

is the topmost challenge every responsible government must tackle. The military should deploy new tactics on the war against terrorism in Nigeria and its neighboring countries that are also confronting the same challenge.

12. The NDA attack by terrorists according to General Williams Ishola (2021, p.28) means that if the guards would have used CCTV, is not enough, the guards also need to have to do regular cover up with patrols because Kaduna is a hot spot for terrorism, kidnapping and other forms of violent crimes. To fight terror war, the military need both the CCTV and human patrol, the two support each other. Furthermore, duty officer supposed to be checking through the night to ensure all security systems are in place and on alert to trail any sort of breach. The guards in the NDA supposed to know and do the needful to prevent attacks.
13. The NDA attack by the terrorists affected the integrity of the whole security hierarchy of Nigeria. In organized crime the Commandant would have resigned because the responsibilities rest with him. In some places, even the Chief of Defence Staff would go because the incident has affected the integrity of the armed forces. (Williams Ishola, 2021, p.28).
14. The NDA represent the strength of the Nigerian military. The NDA attack affected the integrity of the military as an elite military institution, from the commander-in-chief to the last person in the military. The NDA attack was the fault of the officers, the officers should take the blame and responsibility. (William Ishola, 2021, p.28). The military and the security agencies in Nigeria should urgently contain, check, curb and restrain the activity of terror groups in Nigeria before they take over the government as witnessed in Afghanistan where the Taliban, a terror group overthrow the legitimate government of that country. The Nigerian military and people should learn from the lessons of history, because historical event sometime repeat itself in a society whereby the leaders have failed to learn from historical episode of other people.
15. The NDA attack by terrorists means that the government should wake up from its slumber to protect Nigerians, one of the fundamental principles of governance is to protect the citizens from the affliction of wicked people. The NDA attack indicate that the military is losing control of the security architecture. The security and safety system in Nigeria need to be reformed to fight the terror war.

16. The NDA attack by terrorist means that state and regional police is the right way to go. Likewise, the formation of Amotekun and Ebube Agu Security networks are also the right way to go to fight crime and criminality in the recent history of Nigeria. According to General William Ishola (2021, p.28) "One important thing in the doctrine of law enforcement is that law enforcement is the sharing of responsibility between the political authorities, the law enforcement agencies and the people they are protecting. If there are no people to protect, would there be any law enforcement? therefore, responsible citizens work together to reduce crime in their communities. That is also where community policing is very important, if the right thing is done. The insecurity in the North would be addressed in six months. But some people do not want the situation to change". Nigerians should probe the political leaders in the country whose job is to sit down and defend the corrupt system. For example, the Attorney General of the Federation said 400 people were arrested for money laundering and supporting Boko Haran. What has happened since then? To fight terrorism in Nigeria, need a strong political will from the leadership and the people need to engage in serious deep thinking to salvage the nation heading to a precipice. (William Ishola, 2021, p.28).
17. The NDA attack by terrorists and they escape scot-free symbolized that the military is operating in a difficult situation in Nigeria in recent time. Intelligence gathering and crime investigation to fight crime is difficult in Nigeria because of the negative effect of corruption, ethnic politics, nepotism and religious bigotry. Nigerian leaders should stop suppressing their bright people with ideas that will help them fight the nations challenges. If necessary, reforms are carried out in the military, things would change for the better. Hence, the story of terror attack will be reduced to the barest minimum. With the NDA attack by terrorists means that the security situation is so bad that the bright ones should be allowed to get positions where they can make things work for the better. Political solution and dialogue will give the military a better chance to fight the terror war and win easily. Nigerian Government and military need power from above to reign over the attacks of terrorists, bandits and kidnappers.

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