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At least 25 killed in northern Nigeria bus station bomb attack

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USPA News - A bomb attack targeted a northern Nigerian bus station killing at least 25 people, local officials said Monday. The incident occurred at around 4.30 p.m. local time on Monday at the busy New Road bus station located in Sabon Gari, Kano, where several people were getting ready to board a number of buses.

Authorities told the Nation that the bomb attack targeted a luxury bus with a capacity of 59 seated passengers as it was leaving the station. While witnesses said a possible car bomb detonated the explosion, several blasts were reportedly heard during the attack. Nigeria's national Emergency Management Agency said an exact death was unavailable, as emergency operations were ongoing, and those injured were being rushed to local hospitals. However, the media outlet reported at least 25 deaths. The Boko Haram group has been blamed for most of the region's terrorist attacks. The group is seeking the imposition of an extremist stance of the Shariah law, which is a Muslim code of conduct. The group's name, in the local language of Hausa, roughly translates as 'Western religion is sacrilegious' or 'non-Islamic religion is a sin.'

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