



40	Baden was born in Yimam, Mubi North Local Government Area, Adamawa State, on January 10, 1957.
41	A member of the 21 Regular Course at the <u>Nigerian Defence Academy</u> , he was commissioned as a pilot officer on July 3, 1979 and promoted <u>Air Vice Marshal</u> on January 3, 2008.
43	Meanwhile, Jonathan, Thursday, vowed to make the continuous strengthening of the <u>Nigerian Armed Forces</u> a top priority of his administration, saying that the strength of any nation lies with its
45	The president, at the inauguration of the first phase of the newly created <u>176 Guards Battalion</u> , Kuje Barracks, in Abuja, said the welfare of the military was of utmost importance to him and assu
47	The <u>176 Battalion</u> , unveiled on October 1, officially made the <u>Brigade of Guards</u> complete according to standard military formation and at the same time has effectively brought all sections of the brigade's effective control.
49	Military sources said the <u>Brigade of Guards</u> , which consists of special forces of the <u>Nigerian Army</u> specifically tasked with the security detail around the presidency, has been operating as an inc
51	They noted that unlike other brigades with three battalions, the <u>Brigade of Guards</u> had only two battalions: <u>7 Guards Battalion</u> , Lungi Barracks, and <u>177 Guards Battalion</u> , Keffi.
53	"The plan for a third battalion has been in the offing since the seat of power was transferred to Abuja but subsequent presidents and heads of states have been reluctant to approve its funding b
55	"Although they will perform the regular duties expected and within the <u>Guards Brigade</u> , they will also function as a kind of 'crack team' of special forces consisting of amphibious and airborne forc