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Rivers State Sustainable Development Agency (RSSDA) has condemned in strong terms an incident that occurred last week where suspected hired assassins, trailing chairman of Opobo/ Nkoro local government area, MacLean Uranta ended up killing two policemen that accompanied the agency's implementers on an assessment tour. The alleged hoodlums, dressed in military uniform, had laid ambush for the boat conveying the assessment team on tour of projects initiated by the local government at Owujie Creek, near Saint Paul 's Anglican Church, Opobo Town , confident that their target, Uranta, was on board.

The suspected assassins were said to have requested to know who among the occupants was the chairman, who at the time was attending a workshop in Port Harcourt and had delegated his supervisor for works, Gift Ogolo, to conduct the team round the project sites.

According to RSSDA, this is an unfortunate incident, saying "we are all created sacredly by the Almighty God and the least any fellow creature should do is to destroy the other."

It noted that Governor Chibuike Amaechi-led administration was doing so much to transform the rural areas, empower and prepare not only the state's youths, but also its people for greater future, wondering why few individuals were still bent on conniving with outsiders to commit various degrees of crime in the state.

The agency, however, sympathised with the families of the victims, urging security agencies in the state not to relent in their search for the culprits.

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